

Order of Service

October 13, 2024

“This is Me: A Coming Out Day Service”

Led by Rev. Allison Palm & the Welcoming Congregation Team

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

Prelude Jed Holland, Music Director

Ringling the Bell & Welcome Rev. Allison Palm

CENTERING

Opening Words & Chalice Lighting Brian Ibsen-Johnson & Teddy
Words by Lori Gorgas Hlaban

Opening Hymn: *"There's a River Flowin' in My Soul"* Hymn #1007

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

Wonderbox Sadie Kahn-Greene

Congregational Song: *"As You Go"*
(words & music: Kathleen Tracey)

Outreach Offering: Children's Law Center of NH Paul Cardone
Text "give" to give to the monthly outreach
Text "(amount) pledge" to give to the church
(603) 945-2859
Or give online at bit.ly/uucnoutreach

Offertory: Instrumental Jed Holland
Response: *"From You I Receive"* Hymn #402

Anthem: *"This is Me"* UU Nashua Choir
(words & music: Benj Pasek & Justin Paul; arr.: Mac Huff)

Caring Candles Rev. Allison Palm & Nan Klarman
(910) 807-3851
Silent Reflection
Response: *"Spirit of Life"* Hymn #123

GOING DEEPER

Reflection Brian Ibsen-Johnson

Reflection Sharon Machado

Anthem: *"I Am What I Am"* Vengerflutta Smith
(from La Cage aux Folles; words & music: Jerry Herman)

Reflection Brenna Woods

Creating Brave Space Rev. Allison Palm

RETURNING TO SERVICE IN LIFE

Closing Hymn: *"How Could Anyone"* Hymn #1053

Benediction Sean Chadwick

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Song for Parting: *"Peace & Joy"*
(words & music: Kathy Grossman)

Postlude Jed Holland, Music Director

Notes for our In-person Attendees

MASKS & COVID VACCINATIONS: Masks are optional and vaccinations are strongly encouraged. If you test positive for Covid-19 within 5 days of attending service, please inform the Church Office at uucnoffice@uunashua.org

CARING CANDLES: If you have a joy or sorrow to share, you can fill out a Candle Card (on the welcome tables) and give it to a Greeter or Staff member prior to the start of the service. You can also Text your Joy/Concern to 910-807-3851. Please include your name.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP ROOM (Room 258): Available most Sundays from 9:50-11am for any children, especially young children, to play and meet church caregivers that are both volunteers and staff. The worship service is streamed into this classroom, offering young and old a chance to hear the music and words of the service in a setting that might better meet the needs of young, active or nervous children. Please reach out to Sadie Kahn-Greene if you have questions or would like to help volunteer in this space.

WONDER BAGS:

While we don't have a dedicated family worship space at Rivier, we have "Wonder Bags" to borrow! The include small clipboards with coloring pages, order of service word searches, pipe cleaners, and quiet toys. Anyone who wants one may choose a bag on their way in and return it on their way out so it will be ready to be restocked for the next week.

FAITH FORMATION WORKSHOPS (Room 302): We offer workshop choices for children and jr youth *usually on the 2nd & 3rd Sundays of the month (For September we workshops will be the 15th & 22nd!)* Visit the Faith Formation table by the entrance to the sanctuary for more information. Join us in room 302 & 258 after the service today for an open house to preview our classrooms!