

Order of Service
December 15, 2024
“Finding Peace in the Chaos”
Led by Rev. Allison Palm

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY	
Prelude	Jed Holland, Music Director
Ringing the Bell & Welcome	Rev. Allison Palm, Minister
CENTERING	
Opening Words & Chalice Lighting	Tina Marshman & Friend
Lighting the Advent Wreath Words by Megan Visser	Rev. Allison Palm
Opening Hymn: <i>“Peace, Salaam, Shalom”</i> (words & music: Emma’s Revolution)	
SHARING IN COMMUNITY	
Wonderbox I Am Peace: A Book of Mindfulness by Susan Verde	Sadie Kahn-Greene & Friend
Congregational Song: <i>“As You Go”</i> (words & music: Kathleen Tracey)	
Outreach Offering: Fuel & Energy Assistance 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	Lindsey Hedrick
Offertory: Instrumental Response: <i>“From You I Receive”</i>	Jed Holland Hymn #402
Anthem: <i>“Grateful For”</i> (words & music: Natalie Layne)	Brenna Woods
Caring Candles (910) 807-3851 Silent Reflection Response: <i>“Spirit of Life”</i>	Rev. Allison Palm & Edmund Lowe Hymn #123
GOING DEEPER	
Words for Reflection Dear Family, Friends, & Loved Ones, I Need A Slow Christmas Next Year by Emma Scheib Love What You Love by Erika Hewitt	Tina Marshman & Rev. Allison Palm

Too Much of Everything by Misha Sanders	
Anthem: “ <i>Hold Me, Rock Me</i> ” (words & music: Brian Tate)	UU Nashua Choir
Sermon	Rev. Allison Palm
RETURNING TO SERVICE IN LIFE	
Closing Hymn: “ <i>Meditation on Breathing</i> ”	Hymn #1009
Benediction	Rev. Allison Palm
Song for Parting: “ <i>Peace & Joy</i> ” (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 who 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 may 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! They 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 SUNDAY OPTIONS for Children & Youth (Room 302 & Lobby): Children’s chapel service for all children 4 & up on the 1st Sunday of the month.

UU Values Workshop choices for children & youth on the 2nd & 3rd Sundays of the month. All Ages Worship services for everyone are on 4th Sundays.