

**Order of Service**  
**December 22, 2024**  
**“The Snow Tree UU Kids Solstice Service”**  
**Led by UU Nashua Children & Youth**

Based upon The Snow Tree by Caroline Repchuk  
 Script by Jenni Papp, DRE SouthWest UUC, North Royalton, Ohio  
 Adapted by Sadie Kahn-Greene for UU Church of Nashua in 2024.

**GATHERING THE COMMUNITY**

Prelude Jed Holland, Music Director

Ringing the Bell & Welcome Anna, Abby & Phinn

**CENTERING**

Opening Words & Chalice Lighting Phinn & Friend  
 Words by UU Nashua Children/Youth

Lighting the Advent Wreath Abby

Opening Hymn: *“Deck the Hall with Boughs of Holly”* Hymn #235

**SHARING IN COMMUNITY**

Introduction to the Solstice Pageant Anna

Anthem: *“Solstice Carol”* UU Nashua Choir  
 (words & music: Diane Benjamin)

Solstice Pageant, Part I

Congregational Song: *“The Holly and the Ivy”*  
 (English Traditional Carol, words adapted by Karen Deal Robinson)

Winter Blessings Anna

Caring Candles Rev. Allison Palm & Sharon Machado  
 (910) 807-3851

Silent Reflection  
 Response: *“Spirit of Life”* Hymn #123

**GOING DEEPER**

Solstice Pageant, Part II

Congregational Song: *“O Solstice Tree”*  
 (music:: Ernst Anschutz; words: adapted by

Sadie Kahn-Greene)

### Solstice Pageant, Part III

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 <a href="http://bit.ly/uucnoutreach">bit.ly/uucnoutreach</a>	Cecile Bonvouloir
Offertory: Instrumental Response: “ <i>From You I Receive</i> ”	Jed Holland Hymn #402

### RETURNING TO SERVICE IN LIFE

Closing Song: “ <i>Peace is the World Smiling</i> ” (words & music: Karen Stokes)	Led by Children’s Choir
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Benediction: Written by Authentic Connection UU Nashua teens in collaboration with chatGBT	Abby
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Song for Parting: “ <i>Peace &amp; Joy</i> ” (words & music: Kathy Grossman)	Led by Pre-K & Childcare Children
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Postlude	Jed Holland, Music Director
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### Pageant Participants

Anna, Abigail, Phinn, Bennett, Amelia, Ruth, Sabrina,  
Nora, Hosea Graham, Lucas Arya, Olympia, Beatrix,  
Cora, Addy, Joleeya , Caleb, Bennett, Teddy, Graham

### 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](mailto: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.