

Order of Service
January 12, 2025
“Seeking Answers, Finding Questions”
Led by Rev. Allison Palm

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

Prelude Gary Finger, pianist

Ringling the Bell & Welcome Rev. Allison Palm, Minister

CENTERING

Opening Words & Chalice Lighting Dick Widhu
“The Great Teachers in Life” By Jason Cook

Opening Hymn: “Wake, Now, My Senses” Hymn #298

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

Wonderbox Sadie Kahn-Greene & friend
 The Purpose of Life
Adapted by Lauren Wyeth from an anonymous story

Congregational Song: “*As You Go*”
 (words & music: Kathleen Tracy)

Outreach Offering: Minister’s Discretionary Fund Karen Murray & Rev. Allison Palm
 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 Gary Finger
 Response: “*From You I Receive*” Hymn #402

Anthem: “*River of Dreams*” UU Nashua Choir
 (words & music: Billy Joel; arr.: Mark Brymer)

Caring Candles Erin Scott & Marie Jones
 (910) 807-3851
 Silent Reflection
 Response: “*Spirit of Life*” Hymn #123

GOING DEEPER

Words for Reflection Dick Widhu
 Cherish Your Doubts By Robert T Weston

Anthem: “*Closer to Fine*” Emma Rearick & Anne Smith
 (words & music: Emily Saliers; arr.: by Naomi
 Berwin; as performed by the Indigo Girls)

Sermon	Rev. Allison Palm
RETURNING TO SERVICE IN LIFE	
Closing Hymn: <i>“We Laugh, We Cry”</i>	Hymn #354
Benediction & Chalice Extinguishing	Rev. Allison Palm
Song for Parting: <i>“Peace & Joy”</i> (words & music: Kathy Grossman)	
Postlude	Gary Finger, pianist

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.