

Order of Service
January 05, 2025
“Doorway to a New Year”
Led by Rev. Allison Palm

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

Prelude Jed Holland, Music Director

Ringling the Bell & Welcome Brenna Woods

CENTERING

Opening Words & Chalice Lighting Brenna Woods
 The End Is the Beginning, By Katie Sivani Gelfand

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

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

Outreach Offering: Minister’s Discretionary Fund Amanda Banner
 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

Seeking in the New Year Rev. Allison Palm

Anthem: “*Both Sides Now*” Kim Steele, vocals
 (words & music: Joni Mitchell) Mike Cooper, guitar

Caring Candles Rev. Allison Palm & John Burkitt
 (910) 807-3851
 Silent Reflection
 Response: “*Spirit of Life*” Hymn #123

GOING DEEPER

Words for Reflection Brenna Woods
 Words by Kate Bowler

Anthem: “*New Year Carol*” UU Nashua Choir
 (words & music: Benjamin Britten)

Doorway to the New Year Rev. Allison Palm & Brenna Woods
Adapted from a ritual by Kendra Ford

RETURNING TO SERVICE IN LIFE

Closing Hymn: <i>“Just as Long as I Have Breath”</i>	Hymn #6
Benediction & Chalice Extinguishing “I am running into a new year” by Lucille Clifton	Brenna Woods
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.