

Order of Service
October 5, 2025
“The Gift of Curiosity”
Led by Michael Packard, Ministerial Intern

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

Prelude Jed Holland, Music Director
Ringing the Bell & Welcome Michael Packard, Ministerial Intern

CENTERING

Opening Words & Chalice Lighting Brenna Woods
Words by: Alexis Engelbrecht
Opening Hymn: “*We Shine Our Light*”
(words & music: Leah Orchinik)

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

Shared Ministry Moment Brenna Woods
Anthem: “*Both Sides Now*” UU Nashua Choir
(words & music: Joni Mitchell; arr.: John Leavitt)
Outreach Offering: Nashua Cemetery Association Amanda Banner,
Text “give” to give to the monthly outreach Jim Bonvouloir & Harry Purkhiser,
Text “(amount) pledge” to give to the church Nashua Cemetery Association Trustees
(603) 945-2859
Offertory: Instrumental Jed Holland
Response: “*From You I Receive*” Hymn #402
Caring Candles Michael Packard & Victoria Agnew
(910) 807-3851
Silent Reflection
Response: “*Spirit of Life*” Hymn #123

GOING DEEPER

Words for Reflection Brenna Woods
“A Tree of Knowledge” by LeeAnn McIlroy
Anthem: “*The Story*” Kathy Grossman
(words & music: Brandi Carlile)
Sermon Michael Packard

RETURNING TO SERVICE IN LIFE

Closing Hymn: “*Morning Has Come*”

Hymn #1000

Benediction & Chalice Extinguishing

Michael Packard, Ministerial Intern

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 online prior to the service or 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 8): We offer this childcare for children under 4 every Sunday from 9:50 to 11:15 a.m. We have toys, books, snacks and caring volunteers and staff offering a safe caring space for little ones.

FAMILY CORNER: This is a space available during worship for families with younger children to best meet the needs of our families and our multigenerational community. We offer floor mats, rocking chairs, floor chairs and quiet toys in the sanctuary for families with young children who may need a little more space to be together during worship time.

WONDER BAGS: We have “Wonder Bags” to borrow and to bring to your seats for children of all ages. Filled with quiet toys and coloring for all ages. Guests can choose a bag upon entering and return it when leaving for restocking the following week.

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN & TEENS

Sept 28th - workshops choices & K/1 OWL

ACCESSIBLE PARKING: There are 4 dedicated accessible parking spaces outside the gate in the Grove St. parking lot. Access these spaces on the east side of our facility; approach from Whitney St. and turn south on Grove St., a one-way street down to Canal St.