

ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday August 7, 2022, 10:15 am

“Celebrating the Harvest”

Kiri Fagen-Ulmscheider, Theresa Benson, Juan Camacho

Prelude “The Arts and the Hours” by Jean-Philippe Rameau, *Juan Camacho*

**If you have brought a vegetable to share, please place on the table at the front.*

Opening Words

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

We recognize and acknowledge that we gather today on indigenous land, taken through deception, coercion, and violence. We acknowledge the continued displacement and oppression of Native people and honor their commitments to survival, identity, and the protection of our world.

Chalice Lighting “Faith in Summer” by Ellen Hamilton

In faith, together, we light this small scrap of light,
symbol of Grandfather Sun's enormous power,
whose energy burns so brightly in these days of deep Summer,
catapulting the leaves and vines,
vegetables, flowers and fruits to astonishing size, lengths and heights,
spilling over the tops of cages, walls and trellises,
delighting and nourishing all beings.

We bask in the warmth and the heat of these days,
with lightened hearts and quickened senses,
in gratitude and in faith.

Opening Hymn #175 We Celebrate the Web of Life

Sharing Joys & Sorrows

Blessing Song “*May the Long Time Sun*” by Mike Heron

Reflection “*Gratitude for the Gifts of Plants*” Kiri Fagen-Ulmschneider

Community Matters

Offertory “Waltz of the Flowers” by Pyotr Tchaikovsky, *Juan Camacho*

Receiving of the Harvest

All who wish to take home a vegetable or two, please proceed to the front of the room.

Closing Hymn #21 For the Beauty of the Earth

Closing Words

Chalice Extinguishing

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Postlude “F l o w e r” by Lee Ru-ma *Juan Camacho*