

ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday January 10, 2021, 10:15 am

"The Shape of a Dog"



Sam Beshers
Worship Committee

Jennifer Greene, Reader
Juan Camacho, Piano
UUCUC Choir, Austin Cody, Director
Chris Hannauer, AV

Prelude "Chaconne in D minor" by JS Bach (transcr. F. Busoni)

Opening Words & Land Acknowledgment Sam Beshers

Chalice Lighting Sam Beshers

We light this chalice
for the interconnected web of life
of which we all are a part,
and for all those beings whose lives
are intertwined with our own.

Hymn #175 "We Celebrate the Web of Life"

Joys and Sorrows & Blessing Song "May the Longtime Sun"

Special Prayer from Rev. Florence Caplow

Shared Joys and Sorrows

Time of Music and Reflection

Reading, from "A Snake Bit My Cat" by Fernanda Santos Jennifer Greene

Community Matters and "Invitation to UUCUC Coffee House"

Offertory "Op. 118 No. 2" by Johannes Brahms

Reflection "The Shape of a Dog" Sam Beshers

Dogs

Hymn #163 "For the Earth Forever to Be"

Closing Words/Blessing "The Poetry Teacher" by Mary Oliver Sam Beshers

Postlude "Chaconne in D minor" by JS Bach (transcr. F. Busoni)

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.

The Last Word Rev. Florence Caplow

Land Acknowledgment: 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.

Readings today

A Snake Bit My Cat, by Fernanda Santos

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2020/12/31/snake-bit-my-cat-clearing-out-my-bank-accounts-save-him-was-an-easy-choice/>

The Poetry Teacher, by Mary Oliver

<https://www.facebook.com/243993975619858/posts/the-poetry-teacherby-mary-oliverthe-university-gave-me-a-new-elegantclassroom-to/671907262828525/>