



December Theme:
*What does it mean to be
 a People of Wonder?*

A New Year of Wonder

Sunday, December 31, 2017, 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

“That's how we're gonna win. Not fighting what we hate, saving what we love.” – Rose from Star Wars the Last Jedi

Music for Gathering *Dianne Saichek, piano*

***Opening Hymn** #188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are

Welcome and Announcements *Rodney Lemery, Intern Minister*

Ring the Bell

Lighting the Chalice *by Rev. Janet Parsons*

The flame of our chalice this morning
 is a symbol of the warmth and brightness of our connections.
 The flame lights our way back together again
 From our separate summer lives,
 and it lights our way forward
 Into this new church year of promise and renewal.

Call to Worship *Rodney Lemery*

AFFIRMATION/AFIRMACION

Love is the doctrine of this church,	<i>El amor es la doctrina de esta iglesia,</i>
The quest of truth is its sacrament,	<i>La búsqueda de la verdad es su sacramento,</i>
And service is its prayer.	<i>Y el servicio es su oración.</i>
To dwell together in peace	<i>Habitar juntos en paz</i>
To seek truth in freedom	<i>Buscar la verdad con libertad</i>
To serve humankind in fellowship	<i>Y servir a la humanidad juntos</i>
To the end that all souls may grow	<i>Con el fin de que todas las almas</i>
Into harmony with the divine,	<i>Puedan crecer en armonía con lo divino,</i>
This do we covenant with one another.	<i>Esto es lo que pactamos unos con otros.</i>

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Story for All Ages *“Popcorn Unitarian Universalists?”*

Singing the Children and Youth to Their Classes

Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the Spirit of God surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go. Vayan en paz, vayan en paz, pueda el Dios rodearlos siempre, por doquier, por doquier, que vayan.

Personal Testimony *“A Testimony of Civil Power?” Rodney Lemery*

Singing #169 We Shall Overcome

Community Testimony *“When in this past year have you witnessed or embodied resilience?”*

Offering Our Gifts *Dianne Saichek, piano*

***Closing Hymn** #118 This Little Light of Mine

***Benediction**

*Please join us in Hattie Porter Hall after the service for Social Hour.
 And please see the Announcements page for all who helped bring this service to life.*

