Order of Service, March 16, 2025

**“Celebrating Purim – Aspirations of Breath and Spirit”**

**Gathering**

Morning Sing Gary and Peter Meerwarth

#188 “Come, Come Whoever You Are” Words adapted from Rumi, Music by Lynn Adair Ungar

#1009 “When I Breathe In” Words and Music by Sara Dan Jones

“Oh, Let Us Gather” Words and Music by RevAmy Carol Webb

Ringing of the Chimes Alessandra Diaz

Prelude “I Know I Can” Hymn #1015 Words: Dennis Hamilton; Music: Jeannie Gagné Peter M

Welcome Peter Fox

Call to Worship Karen

Theme Hymn “Cuando El Pobre” [When the Poor Ones] Hymn #1027 Words [Spanish]: José Antonio Oliver; [English] Martin A. Seltz; Music: José Antonio Oliver and Miguel Manzano Choir

Chalice Lighting Peter F

The torch still burns, and because it does

There remains for all of us a chance

to light up the tomorrows and brighten the future.

... this is the challenge that makes life worthwhile.

(Robert F. Kennedy, Sr.)

Covenant

Love is the spirit of this congregation

and service is its law.

This is our great covenant:

to dwell together in peace,

to seek the truth in love,

and to help one another.

El Amor es el espíritu de esta congregación

Y el servicio su ley principal.

Esta es nuestra gran promesa:

Vivir juntos en paz,

Buscar la verdad, a través de amor,

Y ayudárnos mútuamente.

**Deepening** Karen

Deepening Music “For All That Is Our Life” #128 Peter M

Birthday Video

Candles of Community Peter F

Stones of Reflection

Pastoral Response Karen

Sung Response Music #370 from a Genevan Psalter, Words #381 by Isaac Watts

For all that dwell below the skies

Let songs of hope and faith arise;

Let peace, goodwill on earth be sung

Through every land, by every tongue.

Heritage and Hope Karen

Offering Peter F

Offertory “From You I Receive” #402 Peter M

Wisdom Tale “A Telling from The Book of Esther” Karen and Peter F

Message “Celebrating Purim with Aspirations of Breath and Spirit” Karen

**Sending**

Closing Music “Let’s Eat” by Dave Nachmanoff

Closing Words Karen

Extinguishing the chalice Peter F and Alessandra

Announcements Peter F

Invite to Hospitality

Sending / Shine On Karen

Music Reprise Gary