

The Next Two Weeks at USG

If you are interested in any of the following events, please find further details at usguu.org or in one of our newsletters or contact communications@usguu.org or welcoming@usguu.org. We would love to talk to you!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 5 10:30a: Worship Service inside in the Sanctuary and on Zoom 10:30a: OWL in Sullivan+ 10:45a: CSD Games+Crafts in Edna Jones Room 2:00p: Ending Racism Meeting on Zoom 5:00p: Breathe on Zoom 7:00p: White Anti-Racism Discussion on Zoom	6 10:00a: <i>Wissahickon Walks</i> 7:00p: EarthSpirit Circle YULE Planning Meeting on Zoom	7 1:30p: <i>Handcrafters on Zoom</i> <i>Standing in Solidarity for Racial Justice on Lincoln Drive NOW ON HIATUS FOR WINTER</i> 7:00p: <i>GJC Confirmation Youth in Edna Jones Room</i>	8 2:30p: <i>Meditations for Midweek on Zoom</i>	9 10:00a: <i>Wissahickon Walks</i> 7:15p: <i>Thursday Night Mindfulness with Jesse</i>	10 9:30a: <i>Yoga with Esther on Zoom</i> 2:00p: Exploring Elderhood Holiday Social in person in Edna Jones Assembly Room <i>Standing in Solidarity ON HIATUS FOR WINTER</i>	11 9:30a: <i>Yoga w Esther on Zoom</i> <i>BLUU Haven Philly cancelled for Dec.</i>
12 10:30a: Worship Service inside in the Sanctuary and on Zoom 10:30a: OWL in Sullivan+ 10:45a: CSD Greens Workshop -Continuing after service for Adults, too 5:00p: Breathe on Zoom 6:00p: Youth Group in USG Kitchen & Labyrinth	13 10:00a: <i>Wissahickon Walks</i> 7:30p: <i>Racism Book Study Group</i>	14 9:00a: <i>Food Pantry Collection in the USG Courtyard</i> 1:30p: <i>Handcrafters on Zoom</i>	15 2:30p: <i>Meditations for Midweek on Zoom</i> 7:30p: <i>Young Adult SGM</i>	16 10:00a: <i>Wissahickon Walks</i> 7:15p: <i>Thursday Night Mindfulness with Jesse</i> 9:00p: BLUU Worship on Zoom, co-led by LG-R!	17 9:30a: <i>Yoga with Esther on Zoom</i> 10:30a: <i>Book Group at Cathedral Village</i>	18 9:30a: <i>Yoga w Esther on Zoom</i> 10:00a: Greening of the Sanctuary 2:00p: <i>ROOT in Edna Jones Room</i>

USG - Unitarian Society of Germantown
Building Beloved Community with Compassion, Service and Empowerment

Sunday, December 5, 2021



Rest in Darkness

Rev. Kent Matthies
 with Intern Minister Latifah Griffin-Rogers
 and Barbara Browne, Guest Musician



SAVE THE DATES!
See page 2 for the Holidays and Holy Days Services!



HAPPY HOLIDAY NEWS!

USG, UU of Mt. Airy, and First UU will share some holiday worship services in person at the designated church and on Zoom!

Wednesday, Dec. 22, 7pm *Blue Christmas Service* at USG

Christmas Eve Family Service, 4pm at USG

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 6pm at USG

Sunday, Dec. 26, 11am *Kwanzaa Service* (at UUMA)

Sunday, January 2, 11am *Worship Service* (at First UU)

Sunday, January 9, 10:30am:

Jazz Funeral for the Old Year (at USG)

More details to come!

THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP

We thank all the folks who do a little or a lot to make every Sunday at USG meaningful, beautiful, and welcoming. So many people contribute. Below are some of those people.

December's Guest Musician: Barbara Browne. From cafés to concert halls, Barbara performs an eclectic and vibrant repertoire as a solo and collaborative pianist. She has served as adjunct piano faculty at Cabrini University in Radnor PA, vocal coach and accompanist at Westminster Choir College and University of Delaware and performs with singers and instrumentalists in a number of musical genres. Barbara has performed, taught, and accompanied at numerous other institutions including University of the Arts, Luzerne Music Center, St. Joseph's University, Villanova University, Immaculata University, Bennington College and The Savoy Company of Philadelphia. A Conservatory Dean's Talent Award winner at Oberlin Conservatory, she earned a degree in English and studied piano with Robert McDonald, Eleanor Sokoloff and Susan Starr. She lives in Philadelphia.

Worship Associate: Tom Ott

Sound Technician: Bob Williford

Camera Operator: Scott Smith

Usher: Ingrid Brown, Steve Conrad

Welcome Table: Margaret Thompson, Sam Stormont

Zoom Team: Ya-Chi Tsao, Celeste Lamb

Sexton: Mike Rogers

ORDER OF SERVICE Sunday, December 5, 2021

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Worship Associate Tom Ott
RINGING OF TIBETAN PRAYER BOWL		Rev. Kent Matthies
LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT		Intern Minister Latifah Griffin-Rogers
CALL TO WORSHIP		
CHALICE LIGHTING		
READING	<i>You darkness, that I come from...</i> by Rainer Maria Rilke	Tom Ott
PRELUDE	<i>No One is Alone from Into the Woods</i> by Stephen Sondheim (arr. Fred Hersch)	Barbara Browne, piano
STORY FOR ALL AGES	<i>Owl Moon</i> by Jane Yolen	Rev. Kent Matthies
GO NOW IN PEACE	<i>Go now in peace. Go now in peace. May the spirit of love surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go.</i>	Congregation, humming
CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY & THE WORLD		Mrs. Latifah Griffin-Rogers
PRAYER/ MEDITATION		
SPIRIT OF LIFE	by Carolyn McDade <i>Spirit of Life, Come unto me. Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion. Blow in the wind, rise in the sea; move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice. Roots hold me close; wings set me free; Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.</i>	Congregation, humming
SERMON	<i>Rest in Darkness</i>	Rev. Kent Matthies
MUSIC	<i>The Sound of Silence</i> by Simon and Garfunkel (arr. Jen Msumba)	Barbara Browne
OFFERING OFFERTORY	<i>Abide with Me</i> music by William H. Monk (arr. Brent Edstrom)	Tom Ott Barbara Browne
CLOSING WORDS	<i>Embrace the Night</i> by Jennifer Leota Grey	Rev. Kent Matthies
EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE		Margaret Thompson
POSTLUDE	<i>A-flat to C</i> by Billy Kyle	Barbara Browne

*If you are on Zoom, please accept the invitation to join a Breakout Room for Fellowship.
If you are in person, please enjoy chatting with others at various places on the USG campus, while remaining mindful of observing USG's Covid-safety protocols.*