



**ORDER OF SERVICE**  
**Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024**



*Music this morning is given by  
USG Music Director Dr. Baker Purdon,  
the Chancel Choir and the Congregation.*

Greet Your Neighbors Rev. Cheryl M. Walker

Welcome & Announcements Lois Murphy

Ringing of the Prayer Bowl Rev. Cheryl

Prelude *Toccata per L'Elevazione*  
from the *Messa degli Apostoli, Fiori Musical*  
1635 by Girolamo Frescobaldi

Unison Lighting the Chalice led by Lois Murphy  
*We light this chalice to affirm  
That new light is ever waiting to break through to enlighten our ways;  
That new truth is ever waiting to break through to illumine our minds;  
That new love is ever waiting to break through to warm our hearts.*  
~Charles A. Howe

Story For All Ages Rev. Kevin DeBeck

Hymn #269 (hardback) *Lo, the Day of Days is Here*

Joys and Sorrows of the Community Margaret Thompson  
Hymn #123 (hardback) Spirit of Life

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Cheryl

Reading Lois Murphy

Musical Interlude

Sermon *Joy will Come in the Morning*  
Rev. Cheryl M. Walker

Hymn #61 (hardback) *Lo, the Earth Awakes Again*

Share The Plate\* Fletcher Street Urban Riding Club

Offertory

*Nature's Adoration*  
by Ludwig van Beethoven

Charles Gabriel

Closing Words

Rev. Cheryl

Extinguishing the Chalice

led by Lois Murphy

We extinguish our chalice but the flame remains in us,  
As we live into the mission of this congregation:  
Building Beloved Community with Compassion, Service and  
Empowerment

Postlude

*Resurrection Medley*, arr. Mark Hayes

Benediction

Rev. Cheryl

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### **SAVE THESE IMPORTANT DATES**

**Sunday, April 7- Vote on the Reparations Proposal** following the service. Voting open to all USG Members.

**April 21-April 28 – Ministerial Candidating Week.** The person chosen by the Ministerial Search Committee to be the best ministerial match for USG will spend a week with us (and give two sermons) so we can get to know each other. Please plan to spend time during that week learning more about the candidate. Please mark your calendars to participate in the...

**Sunday, April 28 Ministerial Candidate vote**, open to all USG members.

**Friday, May 3 - Seder at USG.** Details to come.

**Sunday, June 2 – Annual Membership Meeting,**

with Voting on Nominees for Board & Nominating Cmte &  
**Celebration of Celeste Lamb**

**Sunday, June 9 – CSD Sunday & Celebration of Rev. Cheryl**