



Unitarian Society of Germantown  
Order of Service  
Sunday, December 15, 2024



**Unrehearsed Miracles:**  
**The No Rehearsal Christmas Pageant**  
Director of Spiritual Development Zoë Johnston  
Director of Music Ministries Stearns Matthews

**Gathering Music**  
Stearns Matthews

**Welcome and Announcements**  
Susan Rizack, Worship Associate

**Call to Worship**  
*Invitation to Christmas* by Shari Woodbury  
Zoë Johnston

**Chalice Lighting**  
We light this chalice, the beacon that calls us:  
To love  
To justice  
To a deepening of the spirit.  
- Rev. Cynthia Landrum

**Introduction**  
Zoë Johnston

**Pageant Part 1**

**Carol:** *O, Little Town of Bethlehem*

**Pageant, Part 2**

**Carol:** *Away in a Manger*

**Pageant, Part 3**

**Carol:** *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

**Pageant, Part 4**

**Carol:** *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

**Pageant, Part 5**

## **Share The Plate & Offertory**

*The Little Drummer Boy* by Katherine Kennicott Davis  
Performed by Stearns Matthews

This week's plate will be shared with the New Sanctuary Movement (NSM). *For directions to donate, refer to the back of the Order of Service cover.*

## **Pageant, Part 6**

**Carol:** *Joy to the World*

## **Chalice Extinguishing**

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

## **Sung Response**

*Our Worship Has Ended* by Stearns Matthews  
*Our worship has ended, let our service begin.*  
*Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.*

## **Benediction**

Zoë Johnston

## **Recessional**

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**Visitor Form:** <https://usg.breezechms.com/form/f0ac5e>

## **To Donate to USG**

By text, use 215-608-2660 with the dollar amount followed by a space and the intended fund. Ex:

- 20 stp sends \$20 to Share The Plate
- 20 pledge sends \$20 toward your pledge

By check, make payable to USG with intended fund in memo line.

Online, go to [bit.ly/USGgiving](https://bit.ly/USGgiving) (case sensitive) and follow prompts.

## Upcoming Events

Find more details at [usguu.org](http://usguu.org)  
under the News and Events tab.



### Upcoming Worship Services during these Holidays & Holy Days

**Sunday, December 15**

**10:30am - The No Rehearsal Christmas Pageant!**

with DSD Zoë Johnston

Followed by

**the Cookie Reception!**

Everyone who loves baking Christmas cookies, please bring a couple dozen to share! We will serve hot and cold cider and we will get all sugared up and happy together! and **Greening the Sanctuary**

**Sunday, December 22**

**10:30am - Winter Solstice Service**

with DSD Zoë Johnston

**6:00-8:00pm - Solstice Firewheel Ceremony & Potluck**

**Tuesday, December 24, 6:00pm**

**Christmas Eve Candlelight and Carols Service**

with Rev. Hannah Capaldi

and Director of Music Ministries Stearns Matthews and the USG Choir

**Sunday, December 29**

**10:30am - Kwanzaa Service**

at USG with UU Mt Airy Congregations

Use the QR Code to sign up to offer your help  
with candle lighting & the potluck



**Sunday, January 5**

**10:30am - Jazz Funeral for The Old Year**

with the Barbone Street Jazz Band

**All of these services are delightfully intergenerational!**