



Unitarian Society of Germantown  
Order of Service  
Sunday, March 16, 2025  
**Be Astonished**



**Gathering Music**

Stearns Matthews, Director of Music Ministries

**Welcome and Announcements**

Charles Gabriel, Worship Associate

**Call to Worship**

Rev. Hannah Capaldi, Minister

**Chalice Lighting**

We light this chalice, the beacon that calls us:

To love

To justice

To a deepening of the spirit.

- Rev. Cynthia Landrum

**Hymn**

#153: *Oh, I Woke Up This Morning*

**Time for All Ages**

Rev. Hannah Capaldi

**Children's Recessional**

#413: *Go Now in Peace*

**Testimony**

Charles Gabriel

**Share The Plate and Offertory**

*Simple Gifts*, Shaker song, attrib. to Elder Joseph Brackett

Performed by Stearns Matthews

This week's plate is shared with Germantown Residents for Economic Alternatives Together (GREAT). For directions to donate, refer to the back of the Order of Service cover.

**Joys and Sorrows**

Charles Gabriel

**Hymn**

#123: *Spirit of Life*

**Moment of Silence**

**Anthem**

*What I Saw* by Brian Lasser  
Performed by Stearns Matthews

**Reading**

Charles Gabriel

**Sermon**

Rev. Hannah Capaldi

**Hymn**

#128: *For All That is Our Life*

**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**

Rev. Hannah Capaldi

**Recessional**

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**Visitor Form:** <https://usg.breezechms.com/form/foac5e>

**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](http://bit.ly/USGgiving) (case sensitive) and follow prompts.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**General Assembly (GA) is in Baltimore this year from June 18-22!** Are you able to go? Support others in going? Participate remotely? Early bird registration ends March 31.

On **Sunday, April 13**, following the service, join a meeting about the issues before this year's GA.

More questions? Email [GA2025@usguu.org](mailto:GA2025@usguu.org). Find more info under News & Events on the USG website.

Tuesday, March 18

5:00pm: **Black Lives Matter Vigil** on Lincoln Drive.

Thursday, March 20

5:00pm: **Celebrate the Spring Equinox** with a community potluck at USG starting at 5pm followed by a short ritual and labyrinth walk. Info: [dsd@usguu.org](mailto:dsd@usguu.org)

7:00pm: **Caregivers Support Group** on Zoom. Email [caregivers@usguu.org](mailto:caregivers@usguu.org) for the link.

7:15pm: **Thursday Night Mindfulness** with Jesse Frechette on Zoom. [bit.ly/Jessethursday](https://bit.ly/Jessethursday)

Friday, March 21

5:00pm: **"We Stand with Ukraine" Vigil** on Lincoln Drive.

7:00pm: **20s30s40s Game Night** in the 2nd fl. Edna Jones Assembly Room. Please bring snacks and games to share!

Sunday, March 23

12:15pm: **Stained Glass Window Tour** in the Sanctuary

12:15pm: **PUSH, The Philadelphia Unitarian Society of Humanists** gathering in the 2nd fl. Children's Library

12:15pm: **Parenting Group** meets in Sullivan 1 & 2.

7:00pm: **Men's Group** meets in Daskam

**SUNDAY, MARCH 20**  
**Stewardship Pledge Drive Sunday!**  
**Cakes for Carolyn!**  
**Hand Sewing Clinic!**