

Unitarian Society of Germantown Order of Service Sunday, April 6, 2025 **Ground and Gather** 



**Gathering Music** Stearns Matthews, Director of Music Ministries

### Welcome and Announcements

Shobhi Kanal, Worship Associate

Call to Worship

Rev. Cathy Rion Starr, Guest Preacher

#### **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

#95: There is More Love Somewhere

**Time For All Ages** Zoë Johnston, Director of Spiritual Development

**Children's Recessional** #413: *Go Now in Peace* 

**Testimony** Grace Bonds, Stewardship Committee

## Share The Plate and Offertory

*Common Ground* Music by Ivan Lins; Lyrics by Paul Winter, John Guth, Michael Holmes, Jim Scott, Joel Sattler

This week's plate is shared with the two UU Seminaries, Starr King and Lombard Meadville. *For directions to donate, refer to the back of the Order of Service cover.* 

**Prayer** Rev. Cathy Rion Starr

**Joys and Sorrows** Shobhi Kanal

**Hymn** #123: Spirit of Life

#### **Moment of Silence**

#### **Ringing of the Singing Bowl**

**Reading** Shobhi Kanal

**Sermon** Rev. Cathy Rion Starr

Hymn #354: We Laugh, We Cry

#### **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. Cathy Rion Starr

#### Recessional

#### **Others Who Minister Today**

Sound: Tobie Chau Camera: Margaret Thompson Welcome Table: Susan Rizack Ushers: Steve Conrad, Jerry Caruso, Sandy Capps, Keith Kratz Fellowship Hour Helper: John Duey, Grace Bonds, Carolyn Scott Sextons: Mike Rogers and Mariama Koroma

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Tuesday, April 8 Morning: Monthly Food Pantry Delivery.

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

Friday, April 11 5:00pm: **"We Stand with Ukraine" Vigil** on Lincoln Drive.

Sunday, April 13

11:45am: **Fellowship Hour with SOUP**! If you can bring a pot of yummy, please contact food@usguu.org!

12:15pm: **USG Architecture: Past, Present and...** Come learn and enjoy this presentation from two architects/professors and a contractor, to be held in the Sanctuary. Please see the insert for details.

12:15pm: **General Assembly Info Session** in Sullivan 1. Learn more about the issues to be voted on at this year's GA: Housing, Fat Liberation, Abolition is Faith Formation.

12:15pm: **Meet The Minister** in Sullivan 2 & 3. New visitors are warmly welcomed to chat with Rev. Hannah and some of the Welcoming Team.