



Order of Service

Sunday, December 4, 2022 ■ In-person and Livestream at 10:30 a.m.

Our Mission

The mission of First Unitarian Portland is to create a welcoming community of diverse individuals; to promote love, reason, and freedom in religion; to foster lifelong spiritual growth; and to act for social justice.

Our Vision

First Unitarian Portland is a beacon of hope for us and for our community, a spiritual center in the heart of our city that helps each of us to find our moral compass, calling and challenging us to build the beloved community with an ever-deepening sense of spirit, diversity, and inclusion.



For the Month of December, we share our offering with [Next Up](#). Dedicated to amplifying youth voices from marginalized communities, Next Up develops and strengthens youth-led movements across Oregon. We're grateful for this opportunity to support young leaders in Oregon who are working toward an inclusive and equitable democracy.

Gathering Hymn #1008 "When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place"

Welcome

Rev. Thomas Disrud

Chalice Lighting

Voluntary

"Benedictus" from *Oratorio de Noël, op. 12*
Camille Saint Saens, arr. Robert Sieving

Call to Worship

Rev. Alison Miller

Hymn #338

"I Seek the Spirit of a Child"

Responsive Reading

"For So the Children Come"
Sophia Lyon Fahs

Doxology #123

"Spirit of Life"

Child Dedication

Rev. Miller
Cassandra Scheffman,
Director of Family Ministries

Hymn of Blessing #413

"Go Now In Peace"

Offertory

"Twas in the Moon of Wintertime"
Arr. Edward L. Good

Signe Lusk, piano
Joe O'Donnell, organ

Pastoral Concerns and Prayer

Rev. Disrud

Silent Meditation

Reading

"The Oversoul"
Ralph Waldo Emerson

Voluntary

"Prayer for the Gifts"
Kinley Lange

Sermon

"Encountering the Holy"

Rev. Miller

Prayer

Hymn #300

"With Heart and Mind"

Benediction

Postlude

"Troika" from *Lieutenant Kije*
Sergei Prokofiev

Signe Lusk, piano
Joe O'Donnell, organ

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