

December 21, 2016

## Blue Christmas Vespers



Unitarian Universalist Congregation

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**HONOR EACH. ENRICH ALL.**

*You are loved beyond belief. You are enough, you are precious, your work and your life matter, and you are not alone. –Ashley Horan*

**GATHERING MUSIC & GONG** Carolyn McCreary, Music Director

**WELCOME** Rev. Barbara McKusick Liscord

**\*HYMN** *Spirit of Life* No. 123

**CHALICE LIGHTING** Kali Fyre, Ministerial Intern

**HYMN** *In My Quiet Sorrow* No. 1006

**HYMN** *Comfort Me* No. 1002

**READING** *Those Winter Sundays* by Robert Hayden

**HYMN** *How Could Anyone Ever Tell You* No. 1053

## **LIGHTING CANDLES**

**SINGING RESPONSE** *Draw the Circle Wide* by Gordon Light  
Linda Goodman; Joe Pollock, guitar

*Draw the circle wide/ Draw it wider still  
Let this be our song/ No one stands alone,  
Standing side by side. Draw the circle wide.*

(If there are other people you would like to include in our circle of care,  
you may call out their names while the music plays.)

**SOLO** *Every December Sky* by Beth Nielsen Chapman  
Linda Goodman, soloist

**READING** *Heavy* by Mary Oliver

**HYMN** *What Wondrous Love is This* No. 18

## **PRAYER**

**\*HYMN** *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day* No. 240

**\*BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE**

## **POSTLUDE**