December 24, 2017

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service



Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Milford

HONOR EACH. ENRICH ALL.

Hearing assistance devices are available from a Greeter Please kindly silence your electronic devices.

"Bang! Bang! Bang! Hello, the house! Wake up! Wake up!" ~ from Star Mother's Youngest Child

GATHERING MUSIC & GONG

PRELUDE	Yuletide Echoes	Carolyn McCreary, organ by William Hodson	
WELCOME		Rev. Carol Strecker	
CALL TO CE	ELEBRATION	The Moment of Magic	
CHALICE LI	GHTING	by Victoria Safford (adapted)	
*HYMN	O Come, All Ye Faithful by John Francis Wade and John Reading		
ADVENT WF	REATH LIGHTING	inspired by Howard Thurman	
READING	from t	he Christian Scriptures, Luke 2:1-19	
CAROL	The First Nowell	by William Sandys	
CANDLES FO	OR CHILDREN BO	RN TO US THIS YEAR	
ANTHEM	For So the Childre	n Come UUCM Choir by Fahs-Shelton	
STORY	"Star Mother's You	ngest Child" Part I by Louise Moeri (adapted)	
SONG	Starlight Star Brigh	<i>t</i> by James Durst Joe Pollock and Linda Goodman	
STORY		Part II	

* Please rise in body or spirit.

CAROL		Angels We Have Heard On High by Edward Shippen Barnes; French trad.		
STORY		Part III		
CAROL	O, Christmas Tree	by Ernst Anschütz; trad. German		
STORY		Part IV		
ANTHEM	Peace, Peace, Peace	by Sally Deford; UUCM Choir		
STORY		Part V		
SONG		Ding, Dong Merrily On High words: George Ratcliffe Woodward; music: Jehan Tabourot		
STORY		Part VI		
REFLECTION		Rev. Carol Strecker		
OFFERING WORDS				
OFFERTOR	0	The Work of Christmas UUCM Choir lyrics by Howard Thurman, music by Dan Forres		
CANDLE LI	GHTING			
CAROL		Silent Night, Holy Night music: Franz Xaver Gruber; lyrics: Joseph Mohr		
BENEDICTI	ON & EXTINGUISHI	NG THE CHALICE		
POSTLUDE	Hark! the Herald Angels Sing arranged by Phillip Keveren			



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Christmas Day Potluck & Yankee Swap - Monday, Dec 25th @ 5pm The kitchen will open at 3pm and feasting will commence at 5pm, followed by a <u>regifting Yankee Swap for those who wish to participate</u>. Contact John Bigl. Held in Barnum Hall

December 31 @ 10:30am - New Year's Service

Rev. Linda Goodman, Interfaith Minister. Let us gather in Emerson Hall to ceremoniously "sweep away" any sorrows, disappointments and regrets from the past year and step together into the new year with clear intentions. If there would be more peace, justice, and healing in 2018, it will take us all. Bring your hopes, your dreams, your ideas.