

Order of Service

Date July 12th 2026

Worship Leader Alice Carnes

Time for All Ages Moira Dunn

Liturgist Carol Washburn

Music Ellen Gozion

Song Leaders Lee Saville-Iksic & Unitarian Community Singers with Morgan Hawkins, soloist.

Tech Nicky Baldy

Prelude Circle Round for Freedom – Community Singers

Welcome Alice Carnes

Lighting the Chalice and Call to Worship Alice and Carol

Opening Hymn #389 *Gathered Here in the Mystery of the Hour*

Collective Reading

Love is the power that holds us together and is at the center of our shared values.

We covenant:

To practice Interdependence, we honor the interdependent web of all existence;

To practice Pluralism, we celebrate that we are all sacred beings, diverse in culture, experience, and theology;

To practice Justice, we work to be diverse multicultural Beloved Communities where all thrive;

To practice Transformation, we adapt to the changing world;

To practice Generosity, we cultivate a spirit of gratitude and hope;

To practice Equity, we declare that every person is inherently worthy and has the right to flourish with dignity, love, and compassion.

We are accountable to one another for doing the work of living our shared values through the spiritual discipline of Love

Story for All Moira

Singing For Our Children #402 *Go Now in Peace*

Share the Plate Tree Pittsburgh

Offering

Donations by check may be mailed to the church office. Electronic donations can be made online through the church website or by texting "give" to (412) 435-1050 and following the instructions.

Share the plate for July is Tree Pittsburgh.

Joys and Sorrows: During the offertory music, you are invited to light a candle or place a stone in Blessed Community water as you offer silent gratitude or prayers. Two tables are in the sanctuary; one in the front, to the right of the platform, and one in the back right alcove.

Offertory Music *The Path That Winds Before Us* by Karine Polwart – Morgan Hawkins, soloist

Meditation, silence, or prayer

Hymn #1009 *Meditation on Breathing*

Reading "How to be a Pilgrim" by Christine Valters Painter

Sermon "Walking a Labyrinth: A moving meditation and a spiritual practice" Alice Carnes

Closing Hymn #168 *One More Step*

Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment: these we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Benediction Alice

Postlude Along the Road by Dan Fogelberg – Ellen Gozion

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- by check mailed to the church office, please include STP on the memo line
- online on the church website, use the drop down to select Plate.
- by texting "Give" to 412-435-1050 following the directions with the word share or pledge after the donation amount as appropriate.

To make a pledge payment

- by check, please put pledge in the memo line
- online on the church website, keep the default General Fund 2025 option

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Ryan Warsing, Tree Pittsburgh Board Member and Director of Sustainability at Pittsburgh Regional Transit. Ryan Warsing is a two-year board member of Tree Pittsburgh and current Director of Sustainability at Pittsburgh Regional Transit, where he works to promote green landscapes and reduce emissions from the transit fleet. He has worked in urban placemaking and sustainability for over a decade.