

## **Yvonne Howard - Speaker**

**Gathering Music** – “Colors of the Wind” from Pocahontas by Alan Menken

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Greet your Neighbors**

**Prelude** – “The Heather on the Hill” from Brigadoon by Frederick Loewe

### **\*Lighting the Chalice**

We gather this hour as do all people of faith—with joys and sorrows, gifts and needs. We light this beacon of hope, sign of our quest for truth and meaning, in celebration of the life we share together.

**Opening Words** – Rachel Carson

**\*Opening Hymn** – #4 “I Brought My Spirit to the Sea”

### **\*Affirmation of Fellowship:**

May we be reminded here of our highest aspirations, and inspired to bring our gifts of love and service to the altar of humanity.

May we know once again that we are not isolated beings but connected in mystery and in miracle, to the universe, to this community and to each other.

### **Candles of Joys and Concerns**

**Words for Reflection** – #532 Ernesto Cardenal

### **Silent Meditation**

**Offertory Music** – “In the Garden: Life of a Flower” Bill Holcombe

### **\*Offertory Response (to “Old Hundredth”)**

From all that dwell below the skies

Let faith and hope and love arise

Let beauty, truth and good be sung

Through every land, by every tongue.

**\*Hymn** – #22 “Dear Weaver of Our Lives’ Design”

**Message** – “Caring for Mother Sea”

**\*Closing Hymn** – #21 “For the Beauty of the Earth”

### **\*Extinguishing the Chalice**

Let this flame remain with us, a symbol of the holiness we seek, dispelling the gloom, lighting a path to faith and hope, its radiance calling us to wholeness, casting the light of freedom, justice and peace upon the world.

**Postlude** – “Circle of Life” from the Lion King by Elton John

**Closing Words** – Sylvia Earle

**\*Congregation is invited to stand as you are able**

**Everyone is invited for refreshments and conversation immediately following the worship service.**

## **UPCOMING SERVICES**

**5/21 – Joanna Henderson**

**5/28 – Rev. Dick Dutton**

**6/04 – Fiona Petersen**

**6/11 – Rev. Elaine Bomford**

**6/18 – Rev. Edward Proulx**

**6/25 – Rev. Dick Dutton**

## **FUTURE EVENTS**

**5/21 Mini Retreat** lunch provided

**5/28 12:30pm Luncheon** at Vashro's

## **KUUF PURPOSE**

...to worship and create a welcoming and supporting community  
...to support and care for one another,  
...to explore, reflect and grow spiritually,  
...to understand our differences,  
...to feel safe to share our deeply held thoughts and values,  
...to be intentionally inclusive towards bisexual, gay, lesbian  
and transgender people,  
...to support collective service to the larger community and to  
celebrate  
together our traditions and our lives with all their sorrows and  
joys.

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**Assisting Ministers: Rev. Richard Dutton and guests**  
**Pastoral Care: Kathryn Vashro – (208) 440-1855**  
**Music Director: Martha Woodward**

## **TRUSTEES**

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**Andover, New Hampshire**  
**Sunday, May 14, 2023**