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*Hearing-assistance headsets and large-print hymnals and orders of service are available at the back of the sanctuary.

INGATHERING

Träumerei (Robert Schumann)

WELCOME

Anna Aasgaard

PRELUDE

Deep Calls to Deep (Mary Alice Amidon)

CHALICE LIGHTING

(Elizabeth M. Strong) Marsha Morrow

CANDLE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Howard Thurman in *Deep is the Hunger*) Rev. Lane

***SINGING #298**

Wake, Now, My Senses (words, Thomas J. S. Mikelson; music, Traditional Irish; harmony, Carleton R. Young) vs. 1, 3, 4, and 5)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(James Vila Blake, adapted)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Wester Caputh (Brendan Taaffe) UU Peterborough Choir

JOYS AND SORROWS PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Rebekah Savage

MUSICAL RESPONSE #123

Spirit of Life (Carolyn McDade)

READING

(Rebecca Ann Parker in *A House for Hope*)

MEDITATION

***SINGING**

Rooted in Fertile Ground (Amanda Udis-Kessler) see insert

SERMON

200 Years and Counting!

***SINGING**

Give Light (Greg Artzner & Terry Leonino, based on the words of Ella Baker; arr. Joanne Hammil) see insert

BENEDICTION

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

(Elizabeth Selle Jones)

POSTLUDE

Give Light reprise

Our congregation acknowledges that we meet on the ancestral lands of the western Abenaki. We honor their elders past, present, and future and seek wisdom to guide us in healing harm to Indigenous peoples.

*Please rise in body or spirit

Let us thank our religious ancestors; for without them, we would not gather at 25 Main. Hearty thanks to Rhonda Barkley and all musicians and others who helped celebrate our 200th anniversary. Lastly, we thank and bless you for being part of our gathering today; each one of you adds to its good energies!
Rev. Lane

Covenant of the Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Congregation

As Unitarian Universalists, we embrace covenant as our foundation and love as our guiding principle. We strive to:

- Welcome, include, and appreciate a diversity of people and ideas
- Listen respectfully, speak honestly and directly, and assume good intentions
- Make decisions and take actions that promote justice and equity
- Support our community through generosity, service, and compassion
- Nurture our spiritual connections to nature and the sacred

When we fall short of our aspirations, we will accept feedback and work to heal harm. We will practice forgiveness and welcome it.

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Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Church



Drawing by Mary Goldthwaite

**OCTOBER 4, 2026
200 YEARS AND COUNTING!**

**WORSHIP LEADER
REV. LANE FISHER
(SHE/HER)**

**MUSIC DIRECTOR
MARYBETH HALLINAN
(SHE/HER)**

**WORSHIP ASSISTANT
MARSHA MORROW
(SHE/HER)**

**HYMN LEADER
KELLIE DILORETO
(SHE/HER)**

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Give light and people will find the way (3x)
People will find a way I do believe

Sing out...

Plant seeds...

Reach out...

Give light...

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Rooted in Fertile Ground

(Amanda Udis-Kessler)

We are rooted in fertile ground (fertile ground).
We are rooted in fertile ground (fertile ground)
And our roots go deep and our love abounds.
We are rooted in fertile ground (fertile ground).

We are building a better day (better day).
We are building a better day (better day).
As we work and dream, we are on the way.
We are building a better day (better day).

May compassion be our guide
As we offer up our lives
In the service of justice, peace and love.
May our faith and hope abide.

We're creating a world of love (world of love).
We're creating a world of love (world of love)
Where each living soul always has enough.
We're creating a world of love (world of love).

We are healing the ones in pain (healing pain).
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We are changing lives as we start again.
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