# Order of Service

**Sunday, May 9, 2021** 

"Two Stories That Merged into One," Rev. Sam Trumbore

### **Gathering Music**

How Can I Keep from Singing, unknown musician

Call to Celebration - Rev. Sam Trumbore

Prelude - Elena Karpoff

Mama Said, Luther Dixon, Willie Denson

#### **Unison Chalice Lighting**

Welcoming all free seekers of truth and meaning, we gather to excite the human spirit, to inspire its growth and development, to respond morally and ethically to a troubled world, and to sustain a vital and nurturing religious community.

Hymn 191 - Elena Karpoff

Now I Recall My Childhood, Alfred Smith, words by Richard Tagore

Wisdom Tale - Leah Purcell, Liza Earle-Centers

"The Merger - A Tale of Two Cities" a collaboration by Leah Purcell, the religious educator of Albany UU and Liza Earle-Centers, the religious educator of the First Unitarian Church of Montpelier, VT

Opening Words - Rev. Sam Trumbore

Reading

**Spoken Meditation** 

**Silent Meditation** 

**Sermon** - Rev. Sam Trumbore

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Offering - Al De Salvo

Offertory - Albany UU Virtual Choir

Branch of May, English Spring Carol, arr. Greg Gilpin





Welcoming Guests and Visitors - Al De Salvo

**Congregational Greeting** 

**Community Message** - Karen Kaufmann

Joys and Sorrows - Chuck Manning

Prayer of Affirmation - Rev. Sam Trumbore

#### Hymn 1038

The 23rd Psalm Dedicated to My Mother, Composer and Musician: Bobby McFerrin

#### **Unison Extinguishing of the Chalice**

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 - Al De Salvo

Acknowledgements

Announcements

Breakout Rooms for Conversation

## RE for All begins at 11:30

- Adults, stay on the service link for informal coffee hour followed by Congregational Response with Rev. Sam
- Kids/Youth, contact Leah Purcell: dre@albanyuu.org