

Order of Service—December 15, 2024, Emerson Unitarian Universalist Church
“Our Shared Values: Transformation”

“Transformation: We adapt to the changing world. We covenant to collectively transform and grow spiritually and ethically. Openness to change is fundamental to our Unitarian and Universalist heritages, never complete and never perfect.”

~ UUA Article II Purposes and Covenant

Gathering Music Kevin Mathie, Music Director

Greetings and Announcements David Early, Worship
Associate

Land Acknowledgement David Early

Call to Worship Rev. Chloë Briedé, Minister

Chalice Lighting David Early

Covenant

*Love is the doctrine of this church.
The quest for truth is its sacrament
And service is its prayer.
To dwell together in peace,
To seek knowledge in freedom,
To serve humanity in fellowship
Thus do we covenant.*

*La doctrina de esta iglesia es el amor
La búsqueda de la verdad es su sacramento
Y el servicio es su oración.
Vivir juntos en paz
Buscar el conocimiento en libertad
Servir a la humanidad en comunión
Este es nuestro pact*

Hymn: #224 Let Christmas Come

Welcome David Early

Story for All Ages Rev. Chloë Briedé

Unitarian Universalist Affirmation

We are Unitarian Universalists: A people of open minds, loving hearts and welcoming hands.

Sharing the Plate: UUA Disaster Relief Fund

As part of our commitment to serve our community, we share half our offering with local organizations whose work furthers our mission. Contribute at donate.emersonuuc.org or scan the QR code and select “Sunday Offering Shared with Charity.”



Congregation Response

Embracing Meditation & Prayer Rev. Chloë Briedé

Sung Meditation: Becoming by Mary Grigolia

Sermon Rev. Chloë Briedé

Hymn: #226 People Look East

Extinguishing the Chalice & Benediction Rev. Chloë Briedé

Postlude Kevin Mathie
A special thank you to Adam & Conrad Nisenholz, our Tech Associates.

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This Week at Emerson

Sunday, December 15th - 10:30 AM
Sunday Service (Sanctuary/[Zoom1](#))

Sunday, December 15th - 11:45 AM
Elemental Centering Meditation Meeting (EUUC Garden)

Tuesday, December 17th - 7:00 PM
Improv For Your Soul (Sanctuary)

Tuesday, December 17th
Current Events Discussion **CANCELLED**

Wednesday, December 18th - 6:00 PM
Blue Christmas ([Zoom1](#))

Thursday, December 19th - 6:00 PM
Blue Christmas (Sanctuary)

Saturday, December 21st - 7:00 PM
EMERSON KICKASS CHRISTMAS CAROLING PARTY! (Sanctuary)



Christmas Eve at Emerson!
Tuesday, December 24 at 5:30 PM
In the Sanctuary and on Zoom 1
All are Welcome!

Blue Christmas

Emerson UU Church
Wednesday, December 18 at
6 pm on Zoom 1 &
Thursday, December 19 at 6 pm in the
Sanctuary

Join us for a quiet and contemplative time for those who are grieving or lonely during this holiday season. Any type of grief or sadness is welcome.

Ongoing Clubs and Activities

Elemental Centering Meditation Meeting
Third Sunday - After Service (Emerson Garden)

Deep Breaths: Meditation during a Stressful Season
Every Thursday - 6:00 PM (Sanctuary/Zoom 1)

Environmental Justice Ministry
Second Sundays - 12:00 PM (Sanctuary)

Exploratory Pagan Group
First Tuesdays - 7:00 PM (Zoom 2)

First Sunday Potluck
First Sundays - After the Service (Pavilion)

Mostly Veggie Lunch Club!
First Wednesdays - 11:45 AM - 2:00 PM (Offsite)

Emerson Book Group
Fourth Tuesdays - 7:00 PM (Zoom 2)

Improv for Your Soul
Every Tuesday - 7:00 - 8:30 PM (Sanctuary)

Board of Trustees Meeting
Second Thursdays - 7:30 PM (Zoom 1)

Emerson Outreach Team
Second Saturday - 12 PM (Zoom 2)

Current Events Discussion Group
CANCELLED

December Share the Plate Recipient:
UUA Disaster Relief Fund



Disasters impact our congregations and their communities with increasing rapidity. From natural disasters like wildfires that scorch everything in their path and hurricanes that bring destruction through winds and water, to widespread human caused disasters like the collapsing infrastructure that we saw in Flint's water crisis, our congregations, our people, and our communities sustain the impact. Your donation to the UUA Disaster Relief Fund allows the UUA to respond flexibly on your behalf to tragedies that overtake us.

<https://www.uua.org/giving/areas-support/funds/disaster-response>

EMERSON KICKASS CHRISTMAS CAROLING PARTY!!!!

Sponsored by: Barbara Calvi/Brian Nelson/Tracy Watson

WHEN: Saturday, December 21st, 7 pm to 9 pm, EUUC Sanctuary

Admission is \$20 as a fundraiser for Emerson, but nobody will be turned away—all are welcome, no limit on attendees.