



UUCU

Sunday, November 18, 2018
9:00 am & 11:00 am

America, the Beautiful

A CENTERING THOUGHT:

*All the old forlorn lost causes, every fair forbidden dream,
And the prophet's holy vision and the poet's beckoning gleam,
All the hope of subject peoples, all the dreams of the oppressed,
Must be ours—our hope, our vision. We can never stay or rest
Till the whole round earth together, to the last isle of the sea,
All our many-languaged kindred, shall be free as we are free.*

...

*All the issues of the future on our present courage wait
As we step forth, calm, undaunted, dare defeat, accept our fate.*

— from "In the Dawn", by Odell Shepard (1884-1967), text on which the hymn
"Peace! The Perfect Word" is based (*Singing the Living Tradition* #161)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jen Hayashi, UUCU President

SOUNDING THE BELL

INTROIT

Chester

Billings

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Paige Getty

HYMN #44

We Sing of Golden Mornings

CHALICE LIGHTING

TIME FOR ALL AGES

"Gratitude"

Robin Slaw, Director of Religious Education

SINGING OUR CHILDREN TO CLASS

*Return again, Return again, Return to the home of your soul. (2x)
Return to who you are, Return to what you are,
Return to where you are born and reborn again. (2x)*

OFFERING OF GIFTS & MUSIC

Variations on "Ash Grove" Trad. Welsh, arr. Joseph Martin

*NEW! Text **CHALICE** to **73256** to give to UUCU via text messaging.*

READING "A Thanksgrieving Reflection", by Isabel Call Miranda Arnold (9:00)
Mo Grant-Olsson (11:00)

HYMN #15 *The Lone, Wild Bird*

SERMON *America, the Beautiful* The Rev. Paige Getty

ANTHEM *Bringing in the Sheaves* Shaw / Minor, arr. Coates

SHARING OUR JOYS & SORROWS

This is an opportunity to share a significant, meaningful event that has touched your life.

Please refrain from general announcements or politically partisan comments.

When you come forward, please identify yourself and speak briefly from the heart.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND REFLECTION

MUSIC MEDITATION *America, the Beautiful* Bates / Ward, arr. Keveren

During the music meditation, your joys & sorrows may be honored by coming forward silently and placing a pebble in the communal bowl on the chancel table.

BENEDICTION

HYMN #411 *Part in Peace*

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

Music Notes: Today's music draws on traditional American sources. *Chester*, great marching hymn of the American Revolution, by Boston musician William Billings (1746-1800), will be sung in the shape-note (Sacred Harp) style of late 18th century New England. *Bringing in the Sheaves* is a classic late 19th century American harvest-time hymn; we will sing one verse of the original hymn, and then a high-energy pop/rock version. The text is based on Psalm 126: "He that goeth forth with weeping, bearing precious seed, shall come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

AMPLIFICATION DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH HEARING IMPAIRMENT.

Two types are available. One works with a hearing aid; the other works on its own. Please see an usher if you would like to use one of the units. **LARGE PRINT** copies of the Order of Service are also available. Please see an usher if you would like a copy.

Special thanks to all who helped with today's services, especially . . .

Music	The Chalice Choir – Tom Benjamin, director; Michael Adcock, piano; John Shea, vocals.
Audio	Chris Horn (9 am), Richard Gates (11 am)
Set-Up & Flowers	Stephanie Lyon
Ushers	Sarah Herman, Anna Levin, Betty Jackson (9 am) Stuart TenHoor, Mark Brooks, Margaret LaFon (11am)
Coffee	Heather Dorst (9 am) & Stephanie Lyon (11 am)
Snacks	Mary Ruth Alter & Betty Jackson (9 am) Dene Somers & Hope Vasholz (11 am)

Next Sunday in Worship

Nov 25, 10:00 am: The Rev. Paige Getty and **Robin Slaw**, Director of Religious Education, lead a multi-generational cast in a dramatic and interactive worship experience titled, "The Right Way to Right Speech", from Erika Hewitt's collection, Story, Song and Spirit.

Special Announcements

Tues, Nov 20, 7:00 pm: Join your Howard County neighbors for an **Interfaith Worship Service** to celebrate Thanksgiving. Held at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Fulton, this year's service theme is "Welcome!". There will be a Pie Social to follow. Please bring a canned food donation.

Sun, Nov 25: Immediately following the worship service is our **Annual Holiday Decorating Party!** Children and Adults are invited to Room 150 and the Office Suite Commons area to decorate for the holidays. Please bring holiday cookies to share!

Warm Welcome Shelter Needs YOU! (Dec. 3-10) – Many volunteer positions remain to be filled. Sign up online at <http://signup.com/go/HpinchO>

For more details regarding UUC, please visit the following:

- For edited streaming-audio recordings of our sermons and downloadable PDFs of the order of service: <https://uucolumbia.net/sermon-archive/>
- Upcoming Events: <https://uucolumbia.net/upcoming-events/>
- Latest News: <https://uucolumbia.net/category/the-link/>
- Contact our Staff: <https://uucolumbia.net/staff/>
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THE WEEK AHEAD:

Nov 18	Sun	9:00 am 10:15 am 10:15 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 12:15 pm 5:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:30 pm	Worship Service, RE Classes, & Nursery Care Coffee Hour Sunday Forum Chalice Lights Choir Rehearsal Worship Service, RE Classes, & Nursery Care Coffee Hour Youth RE Classes Drop in Reflection Circle Transgender Day of Remembrance Vespers
Nov 19	Mon		
Nov 20	Tue	11:30 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Deep Listening Meditation Group Meditation Group Film Forum Interfaith Thanksgiving Service - St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Fulton
Nov 21	Wed		
Nov 22	Thurs		*Thanksgiving Day: OBIC and UUCG offices are closed*
Nov 23	Fri		*OBIC and UUCG offices are closed*
Nov 24	Sat	8:00 am 11:00 am	Saturday Morning Reflections (Recovery Group) Creativity Circle
Nov 25	Sun	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 11:30 am	Chalice Lights Choir Rehearsal Worship Service & Nursery Care Coffee Hour Annual Holiday Decorating Party!



Reminder: Services change to 10:00 am ONLY beginning Nov. 25th through Dec. 30th for the holidays!



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