



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
CONGREGATION of COLUMBIA

The Mysticism of Christmas

CENTERING THOUGHT:

*You who want knowledge, seek the oneness within
There you will find the clear mirror, already waiting.*

— Hadewijch II

*Such love does the sky now pour, that whenever I stand in a field;
I have to wring out the light when I get home.*

— St. Francis of Assisi



Gathering Music

The Truth Sent from Above

Ensemble Galilei
& Maggie Sansone

Stars: Stars

Esenvalds/Teasdale: VOCES8

De La Piel De Sus Ovejas

Rimonte/Piffaro: Los Ministriles

Huron Carol

Heather Dale

The Mysticism of Christmas – A Holiday Music Service

Sunday, December 11, 2022 — 10:00 am

- WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Jim Johnston, UUCU Board of Trustees
- CALL TO WORSHIP & SOUNDING THE BELL** The Rev. Paige Getty
- INTROIT** *O Viridissima Virga* Hildegarde von Bingen
Madeline Miskie, soloist
- CHALICE LIGHTING** “You Have to Know Your Body as the Home of God”
by Rebecca Parker
- CONGREGATIONAL COVENANT**
- GREET YOUR NEIGHBORS**
- TIME FOR ALL AGES** *Canticle of the Creatures* St. Francis of Assisi
- HYMN** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*
As we sing, **children are invited to exit** for their religious education program.
- SECOND SUNDAY OUTREACH OFFERING: Grassroots** Dana Sohr
- OFFERING OF GIFTS & MUSIC** *Virgam Virtutis (Dixit Dominus)* G. F. Handel
Madeline Miskie, soloist
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- MYSTICISM AND CHRISTMAS** Michael Adcock, Director of Music Ministries
- MUSIC** *O Radiant Dawn* James MacMillan
UUCU Chalice Choir
- READING** “Alone and Drinking Under the Moon” by Li Po
Ted Phillips, reader
- HYMN #234** *In the Gentle of the Moon*
- MUSIC** ‘Twas in the Moon of Wintertime (Huron Carol)
Seaborn / French Folk Song, arr. Morris
- SHARING JOYS & SORROWS** Send yours to JoysAndSorrows@uucolumbia.net

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & REFLECTION

MUSIC MEDITATION

Ave Verum, op. 65 Gabriel Faure, arr. Couturier

Zachary Nelson and Ariel Vitali, trombones

During the music meditation, your **joys and sorrows may be honored in silence** by placing a stone in the communal bowl of water.

READING

“The Inner History of a Day” by John O’Donohue

Caela Barry, reader

MUSIC

Motets pour le temps de Noel, FP 152

Francis Poulenc

O Magnum Mysterium

Hodie Christus Natus Est

BENEDICTION

“All That Is Joy” by Rabindranath Tagore

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

For You Shall Go Out in Joy

Benjamin

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE



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Postlude Music

May It Be

Enya

Wir singen dir, Immanuel

Baltimore Consort

I Wonder As I Wander

Barbra Streisand

Solstice: Solstice

Luke Howard



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Next Sunday's Service: **Christmas Pageant**

Please join us for our annual UUCC Christmas Pageant! This year's pageant will recreate the story of the birth of Jesus while drawing on our own Unitarian Universalist heritage to make it a story of freedom, liberation, and hope. We look forward to continuing our pageant tradition with this family-friendly service that will have plenty of opportunity for audience participation!



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