



*Seeking Hope, Love, and Justice—Together in Community*

**ORDER OF CELEBRATION**  
**September 13, 2020**  
**Homecoming Sunday**

<b>Prelude</b>		Chris Powell
<b>Welcome</b>		
<b>Hymn for Gathering *</b>	“Here Together” (for Gathering), by David Glasgow	Song Leader: Carol Young
<b>Lighting the Chalice (unison) *</b>	From Reading #448	
<b>Invocation</b>		
<b>Covenant (unison)</b>	Love is the spirit of this church And service its law. This is our great covenant: To dwell together in peace, To seek the truth in love, And to help one another.	
<b>Hymn #12 (SLT) *</b>	“O Life That Maketh All Things New”	
<b>Announcements</b>		Deborah Whittaker
<b>Hymn #123 *</b>	“Spirit of Life”	
<b>Meditation</b>		
<b>Silence</b>		
<b>Musical Response</b>		Chris Powell
<b>Reading</b>	“Wordsworth’s Mountain” (excerpt), from <i>Long Life</i> , by Mary Oliver	Deborah Whittaker
<b>Video</b>	COVID 19 Film: A Message of Hope <a href="https://youtu.be/rLY174n_KWA">https://youtu.be/rLY174n_KWA</a>	

\* *The words will be on the screen*

## Sermon

**Standing on the Edge of Hope**  
*Rev. Greg Stewart*

## Offering

Our Generosity Recipient for September is

### **RIP Medical Debt**

Please make checks out to Hope Unitarian Church with "Generosity Offering" on the memo line.  
Checks with no notation will be applied to your pledge or to the Hope Operating Fund.

## Offertory Response (unison)

### Hymn #311 (SLT) \*

"Let It Be a Dance "

### Extinguishing the Chalice (unison) \*

Reading #456

## Benediction \*

### Hymn for Going Forth \*

"Here Together" (for Going Forth), by David M. Glasgow

## Postlude

## Newcomer Orientation

*Visitors are invited to meet with Rev. Greg after every service. Just stay in the Zoom meeting and introduce yourself.*

*Our chalice is lit this morning in memory of Carol Cox, who died this week.*

*Our thoughts are with Warren and Diana and all who knew and loved her.*

## THIS SUNDAY

Greeters:

Announcements/Reading: **Deborah Whittaker**

Slideshow: **Rebecca Jones**

Special Musical Guest: **Carol Young**



## CHURCH PERSONNEL

**The Rev. Greg Stewart**, Interim Minister  
**Tennille Wilson**, Director of Religious Education  
**Paige Clark**, Youth Director  
**Dr. Joseph Rivers**, Director of Music  
**Chris Powell**, Pianist  
**Molly Ives Brower**, Church Administrator  
**Eve Bjornsgaard**, Technology Assistant