UNITARIAN SOCIETY OF NORTHAMPTON AND FLORENCE
September 10, 2023

WELCOME

PRELUDE Draw Us In The Spirit’s Tether, Harold Friedell

OPENING WORDS The Reverend Janet C. Bush

CHALICE LIGHTING, Petr Samojsky (adapted) Jessica Harwood
Every one of us can bring blessings
Every one of us can bring light
Every one of us can bring love
We light our chalice in gratitude for this community
And for the blessings each one brings.

HYMN Enter Rejoice and Come In #361

STORY Stone Soup, part 1, traditional, adapted by Janet Bush
and Jessica Harwood

GREETING

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINUTE Harriet Diamond

OFFERTORY Shall We Gather At The River?

MEDITATION Jessica Harwood

INTERLUDE Improvisation

STORY Part 2
HYMN  Where You Go I Will Go, Shoshana Jedwab

EPILOGUE

REFLECTION AND WATER CEREMONY

HYMN  There's A River #1007

CLOSING WORDS

POSTLUDE  Let Me Be, Ellen Cogen

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We strive to be a congregation that welcomes people of all ages, races, religious beliefs, backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, and abilities. We belong to the Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations, and we are guided and inspired by its values and principles.

Our values and principles move us to remember that we in Northampton inhabit unceded land of the Pocumtuc, Nonotuck and Western Nipmuc peoples. They remind us to acknowledge our responsibility to face the legacies of dispossession and systemic racism that are part of our collective history, even as we also affirm and celebrate the legacies that inspire us.

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Our weekly offerings are shared 50/50, supporting the work of this congregation and organizations in the wider community. Online contributions are greatly appreciated. You can access our online donation page by scanning the QR code below: