



# Lakeshore Unitarian

December 8, 2024

GATHERING MUSIC	<i>Enter Rejoice and Come In, Venez entrez dans la joie (2x)</i>
WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, INDIGENOUS RECOGNITION OF NATIVE LANDS	
OPENING WORDS	<i>The Something Mores of Life by Rev. Richard S. Gilbert</i>
CHALICE LIGHTING	<i>On the Brink by Leslie Takahashi</i>
CANDLE OF JOYS & SORROWS	<i>From the "Book of Life" and our Zoom Chat</i>
OPENING HYMN	<i>Hymn #4: I Brought My Spirit to the Sea</i>
AFFIRMATION	<i>This we promise...</i>
OFFERTORY	<i>From you I receive, De toi je reçois..."</i>
MUSICAL REFLECTION	
MEDITATION	<i>Litany for Becoming</i>
HYMN	<i>Hymn #346: Come, Sing a Song with Me</i>
PRESENTATION	<i>Re-engaging with Life - My 60 Before 60 Project by Susan Williams</i>
CLOSING WORDS	<i>Changes Abound by Michelle Collins</i>
CLOSING HYMN	<i>Hymn #311: Let It Be a Dance</i>
EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE	<i>Move Through the World in Love by Maggie Lovins</i>
POSTLUDE	<i>Go Now in Peace, Allons en paix...</i>

**An École Polytechnique Remembrance Ceremony will follow this service.**

*Join us for coffee & conversation in the reception hall*

**Service Leader – Sheila Laursen    Technician – Oddbjorn Taraldsvik  
Musician – Kerry-Anne Kutz    Online Greeter – Gabor Matyas  
Greeters – Jose Van Amerongen, Ann Bernstein    Refreshments – Sara Kreps**

## **Gathering Music**

Enter, rejoice and come in	Venez entrer dans la joie
Enter, rejoice and come in	Venez entrer dans la joie
Today will be a joyful day	Ce sera une journée joyeuse
Enter, rejoice and come in.	Venez entrer dans la joie.

## **Opening Hymn #4 I Brought My Spirit to the Sea**

I brought my spirit to the sea,  
I stood up on the shore.  
I gazed upon infinity,  
I heard the waters roar.

And then there came a sense of peace,  
Some whisper calmed my soul.  
Some ancient ministry of stars  
Had made my spirit whole.

I brought my spirit to the trees,  
That loomed against the sky.  
I touched each wand'ring careless breeze  
To know if God was nigh.

And then I felt an inner flame  
That fiercely burned my tears.  
Upright, I rose from bended knee  
To meet the asking years.

## **Affirmation**

This we promise one to another  
We shall seek our truth with love  
We shall celebrate our lives together  
With all our joys and sorrows  
Thus may we enjoy the blessings of love among us

## **Offertory**

From you, I receive	De toi je reçois
To you, I give	À toi je donne
Together we share	Ensemble on partage
And by this we live	Une offrande de vie

## **Hymn #346: Come, Sing a Song with Me**

Come, sing a song with me,  
come, sing a song with me,  
come, sing a song with me,  
that I might know your mind.

And I'll bring you hope  
when hope is hard to find,  
and I'll bring a song of love  
and a rose in the winter time.

Come, dream a dream with me,  
come, dream a dream with me,  
come, dream a dream with me,  
that I might know your mind.

And I'll bring you hope  
when hope is hard to find,  
and I'll bring a song of love  
and a rose in the winter time.

Come, walk in rain with me,  
come, walk in rain with me,  
come, walk in rain with me,  
that I might know your mind.

And I'll bring you hope  
when hope is hard to find,  
and I'll bring a song of love  
and a rose in the winter time.

Come share a rose with me,  
come share a rose with me,  
come share a rose with me,  
that I might know your mind.

And I'll bring you hope  
when hope is hard to find,  
and I'll bring a song of love  
and a rose in the winter time.

## Hymn #311: Let It Be a Dance

Let it be a dance we do.  
May I have this dance with you?  
Through the good times and the hard times too,  
Let it be a dance.

Let a dancing song be heard.  
Play the music, say the words,  
and fill the sky with sailing birds.  
Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance.  
Learn to follow, learn to lead,  
feel the rhythm, fill the need  
to reap the harvest, plant the seed.  
Let it be a dance.

Let it be a dance we do.  
May I have this dance with you?  
Through the good times and the hard times too,  
Let it be a dance.

Everybody turn and spin,  
let your body learn to bend,  
and, like a willow with the wind,  
let it be a dance. Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance.  
A child is born, the old must die,  
a time for joy, a time to cry.  
Take it as it passes by.  
Let it be a dance.

Let it be a dance we do  
May I have this dance with you?  
Through the good times and the hard times too,  
Let it be a dance.

Morning star comes out at night  
without the dark there is no light.  
If nothing's wrong, then nothing's right.  
Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance.  
Let the sun shine, let it rain,  
share the laughter, bear the pain,  
and round and round we go again.  
Let it be a dance.

## **Postlude**

Go now in peace

Go now in peace

May the joy of love surround you

Everywhere, everywhere you

may go

Allons en paix

Allons en paix

Que nos jours soient remplis de bonheur

Et de joie, et d'amour, pour toujours

### Lakeshore Unitarian Announcements

1.	<b>Ecole Polytechnique Remembrance Ceremony</b>	We remember the 14 young women whose lives tragically ended on December 6, 1989.	<b>Led by Kerry-Anne Kutz, directly following the December 8 service. Please remain seated after the service for this event.</b>
2.	<b>NEW! Chess for kids/teens (parents welcome too), December 8, 10:00-noon at LUUC</b>	<b>Free chess lessons</b> from professional instructor and chess coach <b>Steve Rosenstein, who has coached 3 national champions!</b> Students can bring their own chess set or use LUUC's sets.█	This will be held <b>every month (on the second Sunday of the month)</b> - a special extra Spiritual Exploration activity, in addition to our regular classes. No signup; just come and have fun!
3.	<b>Our Spiritual Exploration December theme is HOLIDAYS.</b>	<b>All children and youth are welcome at 10:30 am every Sunday</b> for this free program. <a href="#">CLICK HERE</a> for the SE webpage.	<b>"Holiday Arts &amp; Crafts!"</b> : SE kids will create different Holiday themed crafts to celebrate, and reflect on, the joy of the season. Principal 5: Everyone gets a say on matters that affect them
4.	<b>LUUC Administrative Coordinator Position</b>	<b>We are presently looking for an Administrative Coordinator.</b> Do you know anyone who may be interested in this part-time position?	For a copy of the position details, please refer to our December newsletter or our weekly email bulletin or contact Nancy Schmidt at 514-626-0826 or <a href="mailto:info@luuc.org">info@luuc.org</a> Thank you.
5.	<b>Gary Spiller</b> is the <b>Care Person</b> for November/ December	Please contact Gary <b>if you are struggling and need some support</b> or are concerned about a LUUCer or friend.	You can reach Gary at 514-697-6257 or <a href="mailto:gary_spiller@yahoo.com">gary_spiller@yahoo.com</a>
6.	<b>Tackling Hunger; Donate Non-Perishable Food</b>	Sunday mornings at LUUC, <b>you can donate to <a href="#">West Island Mission</a></b>	What to bring?: cereal, peanut butter, pasta sauce, juices, canned goods, rice, peanut butter, etc. Thank you!
7.	<b>Bread and Beyond sandwich-making session at LUUC!</b>	Join with others to make sandwiches for those in need. All ages welcome!	<b>Held after LUUC's December 15 Sunday Service</b> coffeetime.

### Community Announcements

8.	<b>Fundraising performance by <a href="#">ASHK</a></b> (which means "love" in Turkish and "tear" in Persian)	<b>The three Nasr sisters and their band</b> will perform in multiple languages and styles. <b>Funds raised will go to support our Afghanistan refugee family during their first year in Canada.</b>	Friday, December 13, 7:30 p.m. (best to arrive by 7 p.m.) Tickets sold at the door: \$25 each. Unitarian Church of Montreal, 5065 de Maisonneuve West, Montreal
9.	<b>SOUP POT CINE</b>	Friday night fun! Soup-pot cinema: Friday. December 13.	Merging Waters 24 Maple, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue Suggested donation: \$10.
10.	<b>A Performance by the Monday Night Choir</b>	A magical evening of music including Debussy and Bach. PWYC: \$10-\$20 at the Door: Cash	Friday, December 13: 7:00 p.m. Église Saint-Viateur d'Outremont 1175 Laurier Ave. W.