

Beacon Unitarian Church Order of Service for December 8, 2024 *Celebrating Beaconites' Holiday Cultures and Music*

Welcome to Beacon	David Kristjanson
Chalice Lighting Words by Elizabeth A Parish	Kate Smith, Bill Marshall
Advent Candle Lighting Words by Rev. Erica Hewitt ar	nd Rev. Meg Roberts Kate Smith, Bill Marshall
Twas The Night Before Christmas	Remembering Denis Probst
J Music - II Est Né, Le Divin Enfant Words & Music: Traditional French Christmas Carol based on Luke 2:6	Dominique Mamisao, Laura Redmond Susan Tarras, Marylke Nieuwenhuis on recorder
Story - My Norwegian Childhood Christmas Music - O Jul Med Din Glede (Oh Christmas, You Season of Childhood Delight) Words and Music: Gue	John Hagen John Hagen, Phil Campbell, Ming-Xuan Chung stava Kielland, traditional Norwegian Christmas Carol
Story - Sinterklaas Comes To My Town	Marylke Nieuwenhuis
Joys and Sorrows	Laura Redmond
Sharing the Plate J Sung Response - For All That Is Our Life	David Kristjanson Ming-Xuan Chung
J Music - Mary's Boy Child Words & Music: Jester Hairston	Kate Smith, Bill Marshall
J Music - Old Toy Trains Words & Music: Roger Miller	Kate Smith, Bill Marshall
S Music - Would You Like to Hold the Baby? Words & Music: Joyce Poley	Kate Smith, Bill Marshall
Our Thanks	David Kristjanson
Closing Words by Amanda Alice Uluhan	Kate Smith, Bill Marshall
Chalice Extinguishing Words by Rev. Brian Kiely	Kate Smith, Bill Marshall
♫ Carry the Flame	Ming-Xuan Chung
♫ Postlude	Ming-Xuan Chung

After the service is our Annual Budget Meeting

Beacon will hold the budget meeting to approve the budget for 2025. The budget meeting will follow the service and will be both in-person and online (same Zoom link as the service). An email was sent out by Teresa on Tuesday November 26th with more information and a copy of the budget.

Next Service: Sunday, December 15, 10:30 am

"Blessed are the poor. Blessed are the hungry. Blessed are those who weep." Guest Speaker - Earl Morris

During the season of advent, my focus turns to the wisdom teachings of Jesus. On December 15th we will be exploring the related themes of "non-dualism" and "radical inclusion" as taught by Jesus. We will break into small groups for discussion: How do you see "radical inclusion"? What is bad about "radical inclusion"? What is good about "radical inclusion"? <u>Earl Morris is a retired physician who last worked as a hospitalist at Eagle Ridge Hospital. The wisdom teachings</u> of Jesus were the subject of the meditative Quaker services held in his home before he left the Quaker religion.

Please join Teresa Morton after the service next Sunday for her Monthly Envirobee.

Supporting Today's Service

In-Person Greeters	Laura Redmond, Dominique Mamisao
Newcomer Hosts	Marilyn Medén, John Hagen
Counters/Collectors	Dan Theal, Jane Day
Sapperton Coffee Host	Beth Connelly
Audio Visual Technician	Tyler Ewasiuk
Zoom Greeter/Service Assistant	Sue Sparlin
Zoom Recording Editor	Tyler Ewasiuk
Order of Service	Rachael Greenland
Set up/Clean up	All of us who can
Our Shared Ministry	
Minister	Rev. Meg Roberts
Lay Chaplains	Janet Pivnick, Laura Redmond
Pianist/ Accompanist	Ming-Xuan Chung
Family Ministry	Bette Goode
Administration Support	Rachael Greenland
Shared Ministry Coordinator	Sue Sparlin

Note from the Treasurer Beacon gratefully accepts donations via Interac e-transfer to the email below. In the message box, note if you want the funds applied to 1. Beacon Pledge 2. Minister (Minister's discretionary fund) or 3. Sharing the Plate (half goes to Beacon, half goes to <u>Century House Association Peer Support Program</u>). If you wish to set up a pre-authorised deposit or need help with e-transfer email <u>treasurer@beaconunitarian.org</u>. Please mail any cheques to: Beacon Unitarian Church Box 414 – 552 Clarke Road, Coquitlam, BC V3J 0A3. Thank you for your continued support.

Stay Connected! We send out a weekly email called Beacon This Week that informs you of all upcoming Beacon activities. Please ask one of the Greeters to sign you up, or <u>email Rachael</u> (<u>adminsupport@beaconunitrian.org</u>)

<u>Lunch Bunch</u> meets online every Tuesday at noon. <u>Film Club</u> meets online the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month at 7pm <u>Book Club</u> meets online the 2nd Fridays of the month at 7 pm <u>Humanist Group</u> meets online the last Sunday of the month at 7:30 pm

For support when life is challenging, contact our Pastoral Support Team pastoralcare@beaconunitarian.org

For other Beacon programming please visit our website www.beaconunitarian.org