



# ***BUILDING BELOVED COMMUNITY IN SONG:***

*Voices of Hope,  
Justice, and Freedom*

with Rev. Greg Jones  
December 7 ❤️ 10 AM

GATHERING MUSIC “Prelude #1” by Lynn Biddick, piano.

RINGING THE CHIMES

WELCOMING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS “Who You Are Enriches Us All” by Monica Jacobson-Tennessen. *If you are visiting us for the first time, we're glad you're here! Visit [uulacrosse.org/connect](http://uulacrosse.org/connect) to tell us about yourself.*

CHALICE LIGHTING “The Chalice Lit Is A Beacon” by Debra Faulk

*The chalice lit among us is a beacon. A beacon of hope, in a world in crisis. A beacon of possibility, made manifest in community. A beacon of warmth through our interconnections. A beacon of light illuminating our shared wisdom. A beacon of connection by our being together.*

OPENING SONG STLT #153 “Oh, I Woke Up This Morning” Lynn Biddick, piano.

OPENING WORDS “Hope as an Act of Resistance ” by Rev. Michelle Collins

TIME FOR ALL AGES *We Shall Overcome* by Debbie Levy. Read by Carmen Golay.

*Youth invited to go to RE Activities as congregation sings STLT #168 “One More Step”: One more step, / we will take one more step, / ‘til there is peace for us and everyone, / we'll take one more step.*

CONGREGATIONAL SONG #169 “We Shall Overcome” Lynn Biddick, piano.

COVENANT

*We are a caring community that inspires, nurtures, and empowers one another.*

*With trust, respect, and compassion, we strive to listen deeply, communicate clearly, and act with love toward one another, our community, and the world.*

SHARING OF JOYS AND SORROWS

OFFERTORY Visit [uulacrosse.org/waystogive](http://uulacrosse.org/waystogive) to make pledge payments or contributions to our general fund and/or special collection. This month’s special collection is for The Hunger Task Force of La Crosse.

**Music:** “Winter Wonderland” by Richard B. Smith and Felix Bernard. Lynn Biddick, piano.

READING & MEDITATION “Blessed Are We” by Andrea Hawkins-Kamper

TALK “Building Beloved Community in Song: Voices of Hope, Justice, and Freedom” with Rev Greg Jones

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

CLOSING SONG STJ #1030 “Siyahamba - We Are Marching” Lynn Biddick, piano.

CLOSING WORDS AND CHALICE EXTINGUISHING “Bring Happiness” by Barbara Cheatham

*Before we gather here again—*

*may each of us bring happiness into another's life;*

*may we each be surprised by the gifts that surround us;*

*may each of us be enlivened by constant curiosity —*

*And may we remain together in spirit*

*til the hour we meet again.*

POSTLUDE STJ #1030 “Siyahamba - We Are Marching” by Lynn Biddick, piano.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Join us Next Sunday at 10:00 AM

“Building Beloved Community in Song: Queer Voices, Queer Choruses”  
with Rev. Greg Jones