

This I Believe

September 27
10 AM

GATHERING MUSIC “Prelude #19 in G#Minor” by Robert Vandall. Lynn Biddick, piano.

RINGING THE CHIMES

WELCOMING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *If you are visiting us for the first time, we're glad you're here! Visit uulacrosse.org/connect to tell us about yourself.*

CHALICE LIGHTING “At the Edge of Something New” by Rev. Michelle Collins

We gather at the edge of something new. Summer's looseness gives way to rhythm, and rhythm calls us home. Whatever weariness, wonder, or waiting you carry through these doors, you are welcome here. You are seen here. You are needed here. Let us breathe together and open our hearts to all that is waiting. Come, let us begin our time, together.

OPENING SONG STLT #38 “Morning Has Broken” Lynn Biddick, piano

OPENING WORDS “We Unite in Our Differences” by David Breeden

SPECIAL SONG “Time After Time” Words and Music by Rob Hyman & Cyndi Lauper; arr. Andy Beck. Driftless Pride Choir. Lynn Biddick, piano

TIME FOR ALL AGES *The Three Questions* by Leo Tolstoy story adapted & illustrated by Jon J. Muth. 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.

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.

COVENANT GROUP TESTIMONY John (Jack) Udell

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

SHARING OF JOYS AND SORROWS

OFFERTORY Visit uulacrosse.org/waystogive to make pledge payments or contributions to our general fund and/or special collection. This month's special collection is for Driftless Pride Choir

Music: “Seasons of Love”. Words and Music by Jonathan Larson; arr. Mac Huff. Driftless Pride Choir. Lynn Biddick, piano.

READING “How We Belong” by Alex Jensen

TALK “This I Believe” with Amber Miller Adamany, Drew Neve, Gregg Mitchell, Jean Mengelt

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

CLOSING SONG STLT #346 “Come Sing A Song With Me” 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 STLT #346 “Come Sing A Song With Me” Lynn Biddick, piano

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Join us Next Sunday at 10:00 AM

“Courage and Justice” with Rev. Jo Green