

First Parish in Concord  
Summer 2023

Order of Service for Sunday, August 13, 2023  
Guest Musicians: The Conchords  
Keyboard: Eric Huenneke

GATHERING

Musical Prelude:

*Prelude in G Major* by Felix Mendelssohn . . . Eric Huenneke

Welcome & Announcements . . . Rev. Dr. Althea Smith

Call to Worship . . . Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen

Chalice Lighting . . . Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen

Response (unison)

O flame of our faith, open our hearts

And fill our bodies and souls with persistent strength;

Enliven our spirits and engage us deeply in this life of ours,

This sacred essential moment now. — Paul Sawyer

Opening Hymn: #131 “Love Will Guide Us”

DEEPENING

Wisdom Story . . . Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen

Musical Offering I:

“Love Is Here to Stay” by George and Ira Gershwin . . . The Conchords

Reading . . . Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen

Sermon . . . Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen

Musical Offering II:

“The Rose” by Amanda McBroom . . . The Conchords

Parish Concerns, Calling of Names & Prayer . . . Rev. Dr. Althea Smith

Silence

Spirit of Life (see side panel)

#### GOING FORTH

Offertory: *Traumerei* by Robert Schumann . . . Eric Huenneke

Closing Hymn: #1020 “Woyaya”

Closing Words . . . Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen

Benediction (see side panel) . . . Rev. Elizabeth Nguyen

Postlude: *Fugue in C Major, WTC I* by J. S. Bach . . . Eric Huenneke