

First Parish in Concord  
Summer 2023

Order of Service for Sunday, September 3, 2023

Guest Musician: Nancy Ackerman, clarinet

Organ: Eric Huenneke

GATHERING

Musical Prelude:

*Fanfare on “Agincourt Hymn” (Deo Gracias)* by Charles Callahan

*Prelude on “Ellers”* . . . Eric Huenneke

Welcome & Announcements . . .

Rev. Paul Langston-Daley, Minister of Social Action

Call to Worship . . . Rev. Dr. Danielle Di Bona

Chalice Lighting

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: #355 “We Lift Our Hearts in Thanks”

DEEPENING

Reading: “The Evangelical UU” . . . Rev. Dr. Paul G. Hull

Musical Offering I:

*An American Sonata: 1. Prelude: Sostenuto* by Charles Callahan . . . Nancy

Ackerman & Eric Huenneke

Sermon: "Throw Open the Doors" . . . Rev. Dr. Danielle Di Bona

Musical Offering II:

*An American Sonata: I. Prelude: Sostenuto* by Charles Callahan . . . Nancy Ackerman & Eric Huenneke

Parish Concerns, Calling of Names & Prayer

Silence

Spirit of Life (see side panel)

#### GOING FORTH

Offertory:

*Meditation on "Surrey" (Carey)* by Callahan . . . Eric Huenneke

Closing Hymn: #298 "Wake Now My Senses" (v. 1-3)

Closing Words

Benediction (see side panel)

Postlude:

*An American Sonata: 3. Finale: Joyful* by Callahan . . . Nancy Ackerman & Eric Huenneke