

Scrooges, Snowmen, Babies and Saints

ANNOUNCEMENTS	Faith Lennon
PRELUDE <i>If You Believe</i> (Jim Brickman)	Ed Barresi
WELCOME	Allison Flanagan
CALL TO WORSHIP	Rev. Bev Waring
HYMN #346 <i>Come Sing A Song With Me</i>	All
CHALICE LIGHTING	Allison Flanagan

UNISON AFFIRMATION (SUNG)

*We pledge to walk together in the ways of truth and affection  
as best we know them now or may learn them in days to come  
that we and our children may be fulfilled  
and that we may speak to the world  
in words and actions of peace and goodwill.*

Words by Alice Blair Wesley; Music by Michele Kelly

TIME FOR ALL AGES Baby Dedication of Lizzie Snellings Sara Allegretti and Rev. Bev

SING CHILDREN TO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

*As you go may joy surround you. As you go, go in peace  
Know our love is with you always. As you go, as you go*

CANDLES OF JOY OR SORROW Pat Morse

PRAYER/MEDITATION Rev. Bev

SPECIAL MUSIC *December Rose* (T. Fettke & T. Grass) Universal Singers  
Violinist: Victoria Courtwright-Lim

SERMON *Scrooges, Snowmen, Babies and Saints* Rev. Bev

CALL FOR THE OFFERING Alec Danz

OFFERTORY *"The Gift"* (Jim Brickman & Tom Douglas) Ed Barresi

HYMN #55 *Dark of Winter* (Hymn of the Month) All

BENEDICTION Rev. Bev

FAREWELL SONG All

*Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again* (sung twice)

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE Rev. Bev

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Tuesday December 24 *Christmas Eve Service* 5:30 pm

Sunday December 29 *Birds' Nests and Pickles* with Rev Bev

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joys and Sorrows Please send joys or sorrows to be shared during next Sunday's service using [this form](#). If you have trouble with the form, please contact the lay ministers by email: [layministers@fusf.org](mailto:layministers@fusf.org)

Offering: Give online using Tithely: [www.fusf.org/give](http://www.fusf.org/give) or by US Mail: FUSF, PO Box 316, Franklin, MA 02038 or leave a contribution in one of the offering plates during the service. Thank you for your generosity!

Announcements: Please send your announcements to [announcements@fusf.org](mailto:announcements@fusf.org) by Friday no later than 5:00 pm to be included on Sunday morning.

### **# 55 *Dark of Winter***

Dark of winter, soft and still, your quiet calm surrounds me.  
Let my thoughts go where they will; ease my mind profoundly.  
And then my soul will sing a song, a blessed song of love eternal.  
Gentle darkness, soft and still, bring your quiet to me.

Darkness, soothe my weary eyes, that I may see more clearly.  
When my heart with sorrow cries, comfort and caress me.  
And then my soul may hear a voice, a still, small voice of love eternal.  
Darkness, when my fears arise, let your peace flow through me.

### **#346 Come Sing A Song With Me**

Come, sing a song with me,  
come, sing a song with me,  
come, sing a song with me,  
that I might know your mind.

(Chorus)

And I'll bring you hope  
when hope is hard to find,  
and I'll bring a song of love  
and a rose in the wintertime.

Come, dream a dream with me,  
come, dream a dream with me,  
come, dream a dream with me,  
that I might know your mind.

(Chorus)

Come, walk in rain with me,  
come, walk in rain with me,  
come, walk in rain with me,  
that I might know your mind.

(Chorus)

Come, share a rose with me,  
come, share a rose with me,  
come, share a rose with me,  
that I might know your mind.

(Chorus)