



First
Unitarian Universalist
Church of San Diego

“CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE”

Sunday, December 24, 2023

6:30 pm

First UU Worship Team



Hillcrest: 4190 Front St. San Diego, CA 92103
South Bay: 970 Broadway, Chula Vista, CA 91911
619-298-9978

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Opening Concert / Concierto inaugural

Las Campanas Handbell Choir
~ Tony Bianca, *Director*

Processional / Procesional

#253 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Welcome & Chalice Lighting / Bienvenida e Iluminación del Cáliz /

— Rev. Justine Sullivan (she/her), *Lead Minister*

Land Acknowledgment / Reconocimiento de la tierra

— Rev. Justine Sullivan (she/her), *Lead Minister*
— Rev. Kristen Kuriga (she/her), *Assistant Minister*

Introit / Introito

"African Noel" Traditional Liberian Carol — arr. Victor C. Johnson
~ First UU San Diego Combined Choirs
~ Andrea Spiero, *Conductor*

Reading / Lectura

Luke 2: 1-20 NRSV
~ Rev. Justine Sullivan (she/her), *Lead Minister*

Carol / Villancico

#231 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

Reading / Lectura

"The Refugees" — Ann Weems
~ Rev. Kristen Kuriga (she/her), *Assistant Minister*

Offering / Ofrecimiento

— Swamini Adityananda Saraswati (she/her), *Intern Minister*

Offertory / Ofertorio

"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"
— w. Edmund Sears, m. Richard Willis

Meditation / Meditación

— Rev. Kristen Kuriga (she/her), *Assistant Minister*

Sung Meditation / Meditación cantada

#241 "In the Bleak Midwinter"

Reading / Lectura

"Amazing Peace" — Maya Angelou

Song / Canto

"Where the Light Begins" — w. Jan Richardson, m. Susan LaBarr
~ First UU San Diego Combined Choirs
~ Marshall Voit, *Conductor*

Spreading the Light / Difundiendo la luz

"I Will Light Candles This Christmas" — Howard Thurman
~ Rev. Kristen Kuriga (she/her), *Assistant Minister*

Carol / Villancico

#251 "Silent Night" / #54 "Noche de paz"

Extinguishing the Chalice and Blessing / Bendición

"The Work of Christmas" — Howard Thurman

Recessional / Himno de fin de oficio

#245 "Joy to the World"

Church Hymn

From all who dwell
below the skies,
Let faith and hope
with love arise,
Let beauty, truth, and
good be sung,
Through ev'ry land,
by ev'ry tongue.

De todos bajo el gran sol,
Surja esperanza, fe, amor
Verdad y belleza cantando,
De cada tierra, cada voz.

Our Affirmation

We are Unitarian
Universalists, a people of
open minds, loving hearts,
and welcoming hands.

Somos Unitarios
Universalistas, personas
de mentes abiertas,
corazones amorosos, y
manos que dan la
bienvenida.

Church Aspiration

May love be the spirit of
this church,
May the quest for truth be
its sacrament,
And service be its prayer
To dwell together in peace,
To seek knowledge in
freedom,
And to help one another in
fellowship,
This is our Aspiration.

Que el amor sea la
doctrina de esta iglesia, la
búsqueda de la verdad su
sacramento, y el servicio
su oración.
Vivir juntos en paz, buscar
la verdad con libertad,
y ayudarnos mutuamente
en comunidad, a eso
aspiramos.

***Our sign language interpreter today is Paul Lambert*