

Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote eight Principles, which we hold as strong values and moral guides.

We live out these Principles within a “living tradition” of wisdom and spirituality, drawn from sources as diverse as science, poetry, scripture, and personal experience.

- 1) The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- 2) Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- 3) Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- 4) A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- 5) The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- 6) The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- 7) Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part;
- 8) Journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse and multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.

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## Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito

Service at 4:00pm

Watch this Sunday's Sermon via Zoom

<https://uufsd.org/zoom>



Sunday, December 24, 2023

Christmas Eve Service

“Celebrating the Birth of Hope”

**Prelude** *Katie Klaerich*

**Gathering Hymn #253 “Oh Come, All Ye Faithful”** *Rev. Ellie Kilpatrick*

**Call to Worship**

**Hymn #241 “In the Bleak Midwinter”**

**Chalice Lighting**

**Intergenerational Sharing** *Rose Littler-Riedel*  
**“The Christmas Birthday Story”**  
 By Margaret Laurence

**Offering** Benefiting Casas de Luz *Paul Trause*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Hymn #246 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”**

**Reading 1: The Gospel of Luke 2:1-20, NRSV** *Rose Littler-Riedel*

**“This Holiday”** written by Steve Milloy *UUFSD Choir*

**Reading 2: “Fear Not and Hallelujah”** *Rev. Ellie Kilpatrick*  
 By Marcus Liefert

**Homily: “Celebrating the Birth of Hope”** *Rev. Ellie Kilpatrick*

**Hymn #237 “The First Nowell”** *Rev. Ellie Kilpatrick*

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

“We extinguish this flame  
 but not the light of truth,  
 the warmth of community,  
 or the fire of commitment.  
 These we carry in our hearts  
 until we are together again.”

**Benediction**

**Lighting of Our Candles**

*Rev. Ellie Kilpatrick*

**Hymn #251 “Silent Night, Holy Night”**

**Postlude #245 “Joy to the World!”**

*Katie Klaerich*

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**Welcome visitors! We are delighted you are here. Immediately following the service, we invite everyone to join on the central patio to enjoy refreshments and conversation, meet new friends, and gather in fellowship.**

