

MORNING SERVICE
December 22, 2024

- Words of Welcome** Margaret Armstrong
- Prelude** *Havah Nagilah* Martha Brophy
- Call to Worship** Rev. Alyssa Lee
- Unison Chalice Lighting** by Rev. Jennifer Gracen Ms. Armstrong
Universal mystery,
Guide us away from the desire to
Shine light in all the corners.
Teach us to embrace the night,
For without the darkness,
We never see the stars.
- Song** *Jingle Bells*
- Food Pantry Offering** Rev. Lee
- A Time for All Ages** Danielle Poppei
The Shortest Day by Susan Cooper
(Sing our youth to their classes: #413 *Go Now in Peace*)
- Candles of Joys and Sorrows** Rev. Lee
(Congregation Sings #123 *Spirit of Life*)
- Share the Plate – Cape Fear Kids Get Books** Martha Brophy
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- Offertory** *If We Make It Through December* by Merle Haggard

Doxology #402 *From You I Receive*

Prayer/ Meditation

Rev. Lee

Hymn #55 *Dark of Winter*

Reading *In Darkness, All Things Are Possible*
By Atena O. Danner

Ms. Armstrong

Musical Reflection

Andrew Hirst

Sermon *In the Darkness We Are Rebuilt*

Rev. Lee

Hymn #244 *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*

Extinguishing the Chalice (in unison)

Ms. Armstrong

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

Rev. Lee

Shalom (please join together)

Shalom, my friends, Shalom, my friends, Shalom. Shalom.
'Til we meet again, 'Til we meet again, Shalom. Shalom.

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