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Order of Service Sunday, December 15, 2024

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Prelude

Chime

Words of Welcome

Life of the Congregation

Testimony

Advent / Chalice Lighting

As we light our chalice,
May its flame kindle within us
The warmth of compassion
The glow of love
The fire of commitment
and the light of truth.

Opening Hymn #326

Let All the Beauty We Have Known

Call to Worship

Covenant

Love is our doctrine
The quest for truth is our sacrament
and service is our prayer
To dwell together in peace
to seek knowledge in freedom
to serve Life,
To the end that all souls shall grow
into harmony with the Divine —
thus do we covenant with each other
and with All.

Time for All Ages

Winter's Gifts

Centring Music #55

Dark of Winter (v1)

Meditation Sequence	<i>When Snow Falls Gently Reminding Me of You</i>
Joys & Sorrows	
Song of Response #55	<i>Dark of Winter (v2)</i>
Reading	
Pre-Sermon Hymn #329	<i>Life Has Loveliness To Sell</i>
Sermon	<i>A Response to Awe</i>
Closing Hymn #77	<i>Seek Not Afar For Beauty</i>
Benediction	
Chalice Extinguishing	
Postlude	

Discussion Question

How have you accommodated to or made sense of your most powerful experiences of awe?

Worship Participants

Lead Minister	RevJ Kwong
Worship Leader	Donald Cole
Pianist	Adam Sakiyama
A/V Engineer	Matt Rideout
Director of Lifespan Religious Education	Angela Klassen
Director of Congregational Music	Dallas Bergen (Sabbatical)
Director of Administration	Mary Anne Roche
Co-Presidents of the Board of Directors	Tanya Cothran & Chris Lee