

# Order of Service

Sunday, December 22, 2019

10:30 a.m

**+Welcome and Announcements** Helen Foss, Worship Associate

**Passing the Peace**

**Ringing the Gong**

**Prelude** “Jupiter” from *The Planets* by G. Holst Scott Ward

**Call to Worship & Chalice Lighting** “The Wonder All Around Us” by Rev. Scott Tayler  
Rev. Pamela Wat & Helen Foss

**\*Hymn** #57 “All Beautiful the March of Days”

**\*Unison Affirmation**

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**Time for All Ages** Wonder and Awe

**Departing Blessing** (*sing through twice*)

For you shall go out in joy, for you shall go out in joy,  
and come back in peace, and come back in peace, blessed be.

**Prayer / Meditation** “We Are Not Alone” from Gates of Prayer,  
A Jewish prayer book Rev. Pamela Wat

**Shared Silence**

**Prayers of the People**

**Musical Meditation** “When You Wish Upon a Star” by C. Edward for Disney  
S. Ward

**Reading** “Choose Something Like a Star” by Robert Frost H. Foss

**Sermon** “Wonder and Awe” Rev. Pamela Wat

**\*Hymn** #17 “Every Night and Every Morn”

**Stewardship Moment** H. Foss

Congregation in unison: *To the work of this congregation, which is weaving a tapestry of love and action, we dedicate our lives and these, our offerings.*

**Offertory** “Choose Something Like a Star”,  
poem by R. Frost; music by R. Thompson Chamber Choir

**Closing Words** Rev. Pamela Wat

**Extinguishing the Chalice**

**Postlude** “A Boy Was Born”, words (translated from German)  
16th cen. P. Dearmer; music by B. Britten Chamber Choir

\* Please stand, as you are comfortable in body or in spirit.  
+ Ushers welcome late-comers into the service at this time.

**Pastoral Care Needs:**

If you are experiencing an illness or hospitalization, struggling with a loss, facing changes and stresses in life, or just need somebody to listen, the Pastoral Care team is here for you. Contact Jackie Feldman the Pastoral Care Associate for the month, at [JackieF@firstuuwilm.org](mailto:JackieF@firstuuwilm.org)

*Thank you to all our volunteers!*

**CHURCH OFFICE:** Maggie Duffy  
**GREETERS:** Burley & Helga Melton, Joan Carter, Kathie Stamm  
**USHERS:** Karen Berrie, Letty Diswood, Ron Grant, Kit Pool  
**SONG LEADER:** Richard Speck  
**PASTORAL CARE:** Jackie Feldman  
**FIRST U LIBRARY:** Open Sunday mornings 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., first floor classroom wing  
**WELCOME TABLE:** Sandy Shipman, Deb Dalecki  
**AV TEAM:** Jon Claney & friends  
**HOSPITALITY:** Jim Weddell and Scott Ward

**OUR MISSION:**

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**OUR ENDS:**

At First Unitarian Church of Wilmington, people of all ages:  
 Feel safe, accepted, and loved – and empowered to be our authentic selves.  
 Gain new perspectives and grow as informed, spiritual human beings.  
 Act on our shared values and UU identity to fight for a more just world.  
 Experience wonder, inspiration, fulfillment, and joy.

# First Unitarian Church

*A Welcoming Congregation ~ A Green Sanctuary*  
 December 22, 2019

## *Wonder and Awe*



Rev. Pamela Wat

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