

Sunday, August 2, 2026 · Summer Worship

## ***“Just Us: Lessons from the City of Angels”***

Rev. Dr. Kelly Murphy Mason, service leader | Andrés Otero, worship associate

Kim Armstrong Force, hymn leader | Christian Force, pianist

### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

GATHERING MUSIC

Christian Force, piano

GATHERING HYMN

**# 407, We’re Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table**

WELCOME

Andrés Otero

OPENING WORDS

Rev. Kelly

CHALICE LIGHTING

Andrés

**Let this fire bring us all together as one human tribe,  
to honor our many commonalities,  
so that we can heal as we help one another,  
and see more clearly the shared divinity in us all.**

HYMN

**# 1053, How Could Anyone**

OFFERING

Andrés

OFFERTORY

**“Jesus Was a Cross Maker”  
by Judee Sill**

Kim, Christian

TIME OF PRAYER & MEDITATION

Rev. Kelly

SPOKEN PRAYER

JOYS, SORROWS, AND MILESTONES

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Meditation on Breathing

SILENT MEDITATION

RESPONSIVE READING

**“Face and Heart” by Francisco X. Alarcón**

Andrés

*may our ears hear  
what nobody  
wants to hear*

*may our mouths  
speak up  
our true faces  
and hearts*

*let us be a drizzle  
a sudden storm  
let us get wet  
in the rain*

*let us arrive  
as children  
to this huge  
playground:*

**may our eyes see  
what everyone  
wants to hide**

**may our arms  
be branches  
that give shade  
and joy**

**let us be the key  
the hand the door  
the kick the ball  
the road**

**the universe!**

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| MUSICAL REFLECTION    | <p>“One”<br/>by David Evans, Adam Clayton,<br/>Paul Hewson, &amp; Laurence Mullen</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Kim, Christian |
| SERMON                | “Just Us: Lessons from the City of Angels”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Rev. Kelly     |
| HYMN                  | # 95, There is More Love Somewhere                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                |
| CHALICE EXTINGUISHING | <p>That which is most holy lies within the human person,<br/>and is the greatest power in the world.</p> <p>While the power of good in any one of us may waver,<br/>when a group is dedicated to nurturing that power,<br/>it is rare for the light to grow dim in all at once.</p> <p>So we borrow courage and wisdom from one another,<br/>to warm us and keep us until we’re together again.</p> | Andrés         |
| BENEDICTION           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Rev. Kelly     |
| CLOSING MUSIC         | <p>“Crowded Table”<br/>by Brandi Carlile, Natalie Hemby, &amp; Lori McKenna</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Kim, Christian |

### Upcoming Sunday Services

Aug 9 - Rev. Danielle Lindstrom, Minister  
Aug 16 - Rev. Danielle Lindstrom, Minister  
Aug 23 - Rev. Danielle Lindstrom, Minister

### CUUC Calendar

**Mon Aug 3** - 10am Meals for HOPE (Kitchen); 8am-9pm Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall rental  
**Tue Aug 4** - 10am Sandwiches for HOPE (Kitchen); 7:30pm Committee on Ministry Meeting (Zoom 7899)  
**Wed Aug 5** - 2pm Conversations About Aging (Fellowship Hall); 7:30pm Worship Committee Meeting (Zoom-3131); 8:15pm Religious Exploration Leadership Meeting (<https://bit.ly/CUUC-RE>)  
**Thu Aug 6** - 3:30pm Calendar Scheduling (Zoom-7899)  
**Sat Aug 8** - 10am Pamsula Zen of Westchester (Room 43 & Zoom)

*Thank you for being with us!*  
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Use the QR Code to donate your support to CUUC, or visit [bit.ly/CUUC-Donation](https://bit.ly/CUUC-Donation)

#407 “We’re Going to Sit at the Welcome Table”

We’re gonna sit at the welcome table.

We’re gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, hallelujah!

We’re gonna sit at the welcome table,  
gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.

All kinds of people around that table...

No fancy style at the welcome table...

#1053 “How Could Anyone”

How could anyone ever tell you  
you were anything less than beautiful?

How could anyone ever tell you  
you were less than whole?

How could anyone fail to notice  
that your loving is a miracle?

How deeply you’re connected to my soul.

#95, There Is More Love Somewhere

There is more love somewhere.

There is more love somewhere.

I’m gonna keep on ‘til I find it.

There is more love somewhere.

There is more hope somewhere...

There is more peace somewhere...

There is more joy somewhere...