

James Reeb Unitarian Universalist Congregation

Winter Solstice Celebration

Based on *A Winter Solstice Singing Ritual* ©2002 by Julie Forest Middleton and Stasa Morgan-Appel

Introduction Rev. Karen Armina

Casting the Circle

“Winter Song” by Dirk Campbell

The Darkness

“Solstice Chant” by Anne Bearheart, arr. Julie Middleton

“Winter Solstice Meditation” by Judith Laura, adapted

“Dark of Winter” by Shelley Jackson Denham

“What Is This Night?” by Julie Middleton

“Though My Soul” Words by Sarah Williams, music by F.J. Hayden

“Creation in the Darkness” by Kristen Harper

“Winter Solstice Round” by Suzanne Sterling

Silent Meditation with Rev. Karen Armina

Bringing the Light

“May I Be Empty” by Batya Levine

Litany: *“The Light Is Reborn” by Liz Benjamin*

“Simple Wisdom” by Susan Podebradsky

Sharing the Light

“Our deepest fear...” by Marianne Williamson

“This Little Light of Mine” trad./arr. By Karen Escovitz (Otter)

“The Servant Candle” adapted from a reading by Judy Bressler

“The Way Is Clear” by Anni Zylstra

“Winter Solstice Meditation” by Judith Laura, adapted

“Let the Spirit Come to You” by Anodea Judith

Passing the Baskets

“Awake the Sacred Fire” by Bernice Martin

Benediction and Opening the Circle

“Blessing for the Longest Night” by Jan Richardson

“Carry It Home” by Betsy Rose, arr Karen Escovitz (Otter)

Recessional

“When We Are Gone” by Starhawk and Anne Hill, arr. Julie Middleton



The James Reeb UU Congregation Mission

We are a faith community
rooted in Unitarian Universalist principles,
called by love to
welcome the seeker,
cultivate relationship,
nurture spiritual wholeness,
and grow justice in the world.

Gratitude to:

The JRUUC Winter Solstice Choir

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Mike Clawson
Margaret Dihlmann-Malzer
Les Gesteland
Rand Hill
Alice Johnson
Kirsten Johnson
David Lauth
Marla McFadden
Molly Mitchell
Matt Morrison
Mary Pitassi
Susan Podebradsky
Elaine Pridgen
Heike Saynisch
Jean Skinner
Barbara Vedder
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