

# THANKSGIVING REIMAGINED

Rev. John Morehouse  
November 21, 2021 10 AM

WELCOME AND OPENING WORDS

Cheryl Dixon Paul, Worship Associate

CHALICE LIGHTING

HYMN #67 We Sing Now Together

1. We sing now together our song of thanksgiving,  
Rejoicing in goods which the ages have wrought,  
For Life that enfolds us, and helps and heals and holds us,  
And leads beyond the goals which our forebears once sought.
2. We sing of the freedoms which martyrs and heroes  
Have won by their labor, their sorrow, their pain,  
The oppress-ed befriending, our ampler hopes defending,  
Their death becomes a triumph, they died not in vain.
3. We sing of the prophets, the teachers, the dreamers,  
Designers, creators, and workers, and seers;  
Our own lives expanding, our gratitude commanding,  
Their deeds have made immortal their days and their years.
4. We sing of community now in the making  
In every far continent, region, and land;  
With those of all races, all times and names and places,  
We pledge ourselves in covenant firmly to stand.

COVENANT

Love is the spirit of this church, and service its law.  
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,  
To seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

CELEBRATION OF NEW MEMBERS

Rev. Morehouse, Rob Zuckerman and Beth Cliff

CANDLELIGHTING

Rev. Morehouse

PRAYER AND MEDITATION

Cheryl Dixon Paul

HYMN #1010 We Give Thanks

Teen Choir and Once & Again Singers

Oh, we give thanks for this precious day,  
For all gather'd here, and those far away;  
For this time we share with love and care,  
Oh, we give thanks for this precious day.

SERMON "Thanksgiving Reimagined"

Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

OFFERING <https://vop.tucw.org/> VENMO (The Unitarian Church in Westport, or @TUCW-1)

Cadence Pentheny,  
Triangle Community Center

OFFERTORY MUSIC "Thanks We Give"

Teen Choir and Once & Again Singers

Thanks we give, thanks we give for our lives and all that lives.

COMMUNION OF CORNBREAD AND CIDER

Rev. Morehouse

CLOSING WORDS

CLOSING SONG "Honey in the Rock"

Teen Choir and Once & Again Singers

*There's honey in the rock for all God's children, honey in the rock, honey in the rock.  
There's honey in the rock for all God's children, feed every child of God.*

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