

**Worship Service**  
**South Congregational Church, UCC**  
**45 Maple Street, Springfield, MA**  
**Sunday, January 19, 2025**  
**10:00 am**  
**Womb Space**  
**Rev. Lindsey Peterson, Leader**



**Prelude** Deep River arr. Bradley Sowash

**Welcome**

**Open and Affirming Statement**

We believe in a loving God, who through Jesus Christ has called us to love and affirm all  
God's children.

We welcome to full life and ministry all persons regardless of mental and physical ability, sexual  
identity, race, religious background, or economic status.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to respect and support gay, lesbian,  
bisexual, and transgender persons, who often have been excluded from the life of the church.

We stand together seeking justice, healing and wholeness of life for all, thus becoming  
an open and affirming congregation.

**Greeting One Another**

**Gathering Song\*** Amen, Amen

<b>Unison Candle Lighting</b>	I will light Candles this Christmas,	Howard Thurman
	Candles of joy despite all the sadness,	
	Candles of hope where despair keeps watch,	
	Candles of courage for fears ever present,	
	Candles of peace for tempest-tossed days,	
	Candles of grace to ease heavy burdens, Candles of love to inspire all my living, Candles that will burn all year long.	

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Hymn\*** How Firm a Foundation NCH #407

**Scripture** 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

**Reflection** Being Community Rev. Lindsey Peterson

**Anthem** The Whole World  
Performed by Muse 3.1 Vince Gill

**Prayers of the People**

### **Pastoral Prayer & The Jesus Prayer**

Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos Santificado sea tu Nombre, Venga tu reino Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo Danos hoy el pan de este día y perdona nuestras deudas como nosotros perdonamos nuestros deudores y no nos dejes caer en la tentación sino que líbranos del malo. Amen

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sin, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

### **Sung Prayer Response**

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me...  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me,  
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

### **Hymn\***

Pues si vivimos (In All Our Living)

NCH #499

### **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

When Did We Lose the Truth?  
Performed by Muse 3.1

Anita Cooper

\*stand in body or spirit as you are able

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If you are new to South Church today, welcome! We hope you find this community meaningful and nourishing. Let us know about what you are seeking, who you might like to talk with, and if you would like to be added to our email list by filling out the welcome form in the pew or connecting with one of the ushers.