

meeting on unceded, traditional xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) land



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Fire Communion

Rev. Shawn Gauthier

In-person and live streamed from the UCV Sanctuary – December 31, 2023



Regular Office Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9:30 am to 2 pm

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WANT TO LIGHT A CANDLE?

Silent candles can be lit anytime at the front of the Sanctuary. Community Candles are read from the book of Joys & Concerns in the Foyer and from the Live Chat on YouTube during the service. Requests for candles can also be submitted in advance at <https://ucv.im/candles> (before 9am Sunday). A candle with an orange ribbon is always lit during our worship services in remembrance of the countless indigenous children who died at residential schools, the survivors and their families.

TODAY'S OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FUND RECIPIENT

From November, 2023 to February, 2024, our Outreach Opportunities Fund recipient will be the [Food Stash Foundation](#). Food Stash Foundation has a twofold mission: **to prevent good food from going to waste and provide dignified food access to promote a thriving planet and a healthy community.** We collect over 100,000 pounds of food per month that would have gone to waste, deliver to 35 charity partners, deliver Rescued Food Boxes to 100 plus households and serve 140 rescued food market members.



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THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY CHRIS PEARCE.

Reflection

Rev. Shawn Gauthier

Hymn

#1028: *The Fire of Commitment*

Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

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Valediction

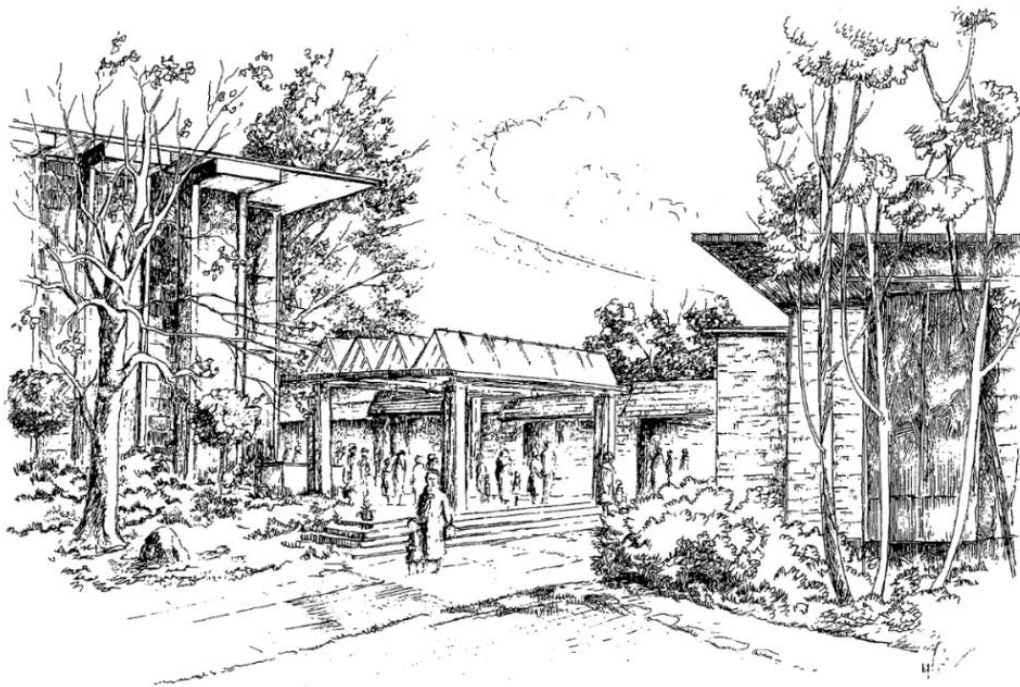
*Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again
Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again*

Postlude

*Toccatà in e minor, reprise**

J. S. Bach
Eric Wyness, piano

** I love and admire this particular work of Bach's very much, and have always wanted to play it for you. It sounds to me as it were the record of a long journey, a life journey, so just right for December 31st... – Eric Wyness*



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***Please note that the office will be closed for the holidays from December 21 through to January 3. We look forward to serving you in the New Year!**