Grounded in love, UUCW is a joyful community committed to spiritual growth, inclusion, and justice.

Unitarian Universalist Church West – Order of Service – February 22, 2026

"Generosity Is Love in Action"

Rev. Jill Braithwaite

1. **Prelude** – "With a Little Help from My Friends" by Paul McCartney / John Lennon – performed by the Kaleidoscope Band
2. **Welcome** – Board of Trustees Representative Mark Steinberg
3. **Call to Worship** – Rev. Jill Braithwaite
4. **Chalice Lighting** – "Freely Shared" by Rev. Michelle Collins – Rev. Jill and Mark Steinberg

> As we light this chalice,
> with its freely shared light and freely shared warmth,
> let us be reminded of the many things
> that are freely shared with us
> and that we freely share with others.
> May we lean into generosity, shared from the heart,
> that warms those around us.

5. **Singing Together** - #1024 "When the Spirit Says Do," African American spiritual
6. **A Message from the UUCW Stewardship Team** – Jeannie Baker, Stewardship Team member
7. **Story for All Ages** – *The Good Stranger's Sancocho Surprise / El sancocho sorpresa del buen desconocido* by John J. McLaughlin – Dave Cicero, DLRE
8. **Joys and Concerns** – Rev. Jill
9. **Singing Meditation** - #1031 "Filled with Loving Kindness," music by Ian W. Riddell
10. **Reading** - "Cottonwood Trees" by Lynn Ungar – read by Michael Savic
11. **Special Music** - "Crowded Table" by the Highwomen – performed by the Kaleidoscope Band
12. **Reflection** - "Generosity Is Love in Action" - Rev. Jill Braithwaite
13. **Offering Words** – Split the Plate Team member Kayla Waldschmidt will introduce our guests from the African American Breastfeeding Network: Executive Director & Co-founder, Delvary Blackwell, Program Manager, Michelle Wilkins, and Doula, Shaday Simms

Our Split the Plate partner for February is African American Breastfeeding Network.
How to Give:

IN-PERSON: Loose cash and contributions (checks/cash) labeled "split" will be shared this month's Split the Plate partner organization.

ONLINE: Text "UUCW" to 73256 - OR – go to uucw.org and click "Donate"

MAIL: Mail a Contribution to UU Church West – 13001 W North Ave, Brookfield, WI 53005

14. **Offertory Music** – "Kind and Generous" by Natalie Merchant - performed by the Kaleidoscope Band
15. **Offering Dedication**

    To the work of this community,
    which is to ground ourselves in love and joy
    and to act for inclusion and justice,
    we dedicate ourselves and these our offerings.

16. **Singing Together** - #1014 "Answering the Call of Love" by Jason Shelton
17. **Closing Words and Chalice Extinguishing** – Rev. Jill and Mark Steinberg
18. **Postlude** – "I'll Be There for You" by Solem/Wilde/Kauffman/Willis/Crane/Skloff - performed by the Kaleidoscope Band

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Ushers: Mary Wieman, Mary Ross
Greeters: Julieann Gaetano, Rosie Kapp
Newcomer Table:
Coffee Volunteers: Jude Christensen
Chalice Table Decoration: Cathy Murphy
Friday Office Helper: Ebbie Weber-Duggins