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Unitarian Universalist Church West – Order of Service – April 19, 2026

"Willing to Imagine: An Earth Day Service"

Rev. Jill Braithwaite and the Earth Ministry Team

1. **Prelude** – "Orpheus" by Sara Bareilles - performed by the Kaleidoscope Band
2. **Welcome** – Board of Trustees Representative Erich Zuern
3. **Call to Worship** – "Meanwhile" by James Pearson - Rev. Jill Braithwaite
4. **Chalice Lighting** – Rev. Jill Braithwaite and Erich Zuern

   We light this chalice in love for the Earth--
   for its beauty, its breath, and the web of life that holds us.
   We light this chalice in grief--
   for what has been harmed, lost, and broken.
   We light this chalice in courage--
   to come together, to imagine,
   and to help create a more loving and just future.

5. **Singing Together** - #1064 "Blue Boat Home" by Peter Mayer
6. **An Earth Story** – *All the World* by Liz Garton Scanlon – Rev. Jill
7. **Joys and Concerns** – Rev. Jill
8. **Singing Meditation** - #1031 "Filled with Loving Kindness" by Rev. Ian Riddell
9. **Reading -** read by Mark Steinberg
10. **Reading -** "On Another Panel about Climate, They Ask Me to Sell the Future and All I've Got Is a Love Poem" by Ayisha Siddiqa – read by Rita Piper
11. **Special Music** - "Change" by Emma's Revolution - performed by the Kaleidoscope Band
12. **Reflection** – "The Joyous Work" by Karen Zimmerman
13. **Visioning Together** - "The World We Reimagine with Love at the Center" - Dave Cicero, Director of Lifespan Religious Exploration, and Karen Zimmerman, Almuth Soffee, and Julie Toman
14. **Offering Words** – Erich Zuern
15. **Offertory Music** – "Back to the Earth" by Jason Mraz - performed by the Kaleidoscope Band
16. **Prayer** – "Changing the Story" by Rebecca Solnit – Rev. Jill

Our Split the Plate partner for April is Citizen Action of Wisconsin. 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

17. **Singing Together** - #163 “For the Earth Forever Turning” by Kim Oler
18. **Closing Words and Chalice Extinguishing** – Rev. Jill and Erich Zuern
19. **Postlude** – “Unwritten” by Natasha Bedingfield – performed by the Kaleidoscope Band

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Ushers: Mary Ross, Ann Heidkamp, Pat Rierson
Greeters: Julieann Gaetano
Newcomer Table:
Coffee Volunteers: Martha Garske, Cathy DeMers
Chalice Table Decoration: Cathy Murphy
Friday Office Helper: Ebbie Weber-Duggins