

Book Service People's Church Librarians July 28, 2024

Music for Gathering Laura Bultman Words of Welcome & Introductions John MacLellan 'Enter Rejoice' #361 Laura Bultman **Opening Song** David Isaacson **Chalice Lighting** ("Banned Book Chalice Lighting" by Julie Conrady) **Joys and Sorrows** John MacLellan Silent Meditation Reflection John MacLellan John MacLellan Offering and Book Offering

Giving Thanks for All That Sustains Us:

Offertory

For the countless gifts we each have been given, gifts of life and love and sustenance, we bring these small portions, to share in the works of love which none of us can accomplish alone.

Laura Bultman

Reflection Martha Beverly
Song Breathe In (Mayer) Laura Bultman
"The First Amendment and Academic Freedom" David Isaacson
Questions for Sharing and Listening

1. What part do libraries play in your or your family's life?

- 2. How have you or your family been affected by banned books, book challenges, or censorship?
- 3. How do you celebrate your freedom to read?

Guidelines for discussion: Please speak the truth as you understand it; please do not comment on others' comments until everyone has had a chance to do initial sharing.

Closing song 'This Little Light' #118 Laura Bultman Book Exchange John MacLellan Postlude Laura Bultman

People joining us via Zoom are invited to stay for small group conversation.

People's Church: A beloved community embracing and serving our diverse world

Martha Beverly's suggested reading list of LGBTQIA+ books

- Maia Kobabe Gender Queer
- George M. Johnson All Boys Aren't Blue
- Susan Kuklin Beyond Magenta; Transgender Teens Speak Out
- Juno Dawson This Book is Gay
- Mike Curato Flamer
- Pidgeon Pagonis Nobody Needs to Know
- Laura Kate Dale, editor Gender Euphoria