



The Day of the Dead
Stefania Malacrida
November 2, 2025

Gathering of Community

Music for Gathering 'Reflection' (Krug) Peoples' Ringers
Opening Words and Words of Welcome

Matthew Morris McCormick

Announcements Rev. Rachel Lonberg

Special Bazaar Announcement Briana Wurtsmith

Introit 'Dona Nobis Pacem' (#388)

Chalice Lighting Matthew Morris McCormick

If you are lighting a chalice at home, you are encouraged to type in the chat box 'A chalice is lit in (your neighborhood/city/street).'

Affirming our Connections

Time for All 'Why Death is Like the Banana Tree,'
a folk tale from Madagascar

Diane Melvin, Director of Religious Education

Children and Teacher Recessional 'Go Forth' (Ramsey/Drake)

*Go forth in peace, in search of wisdom,
With love to guide you on your way
And may the joy of life surround you
Wherever you may go.*

Offering Matthew Morris McCormick

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Offertory

Gymnopedie (Satie) Jennifer

Giving Thanks for All That Sustains Us

Matthew Morris McCormick

*From 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.*

Joys and Sorrows

Matthew Morris McCormick

Searching for Wisdom and Inspiration

Silent Meditation

Musical Meditation 'Filled with Loving Kindness' (#1031)

Readings "Do Not Stand By My Grave " by Clare Harner
(Matthew Morris McCormick);
Excerpt from "Little Foxes," by Harriet Beecher
Stowe (Matthew Morris McCormick);
Excerpt from "There's Gold in This Strange Time" by
Ermes Ronchi (Stefania Malacrida);
The Myth of Er, from "The Republic" by Plato
(Matthew Morris McCormick)

Music

Sermon

Stefania Malacrida

Ritual Honoring the Departed

Returning to the World

Closing song

'Blessed Spirit of My Life' (#86)

Closing words

Postlude 'Hold onto Love (*Guiding Light* Theme)' (Mounsey)

Coffee Quarter breakout rooms

All are invited to stay on Zoom for 15 minutes of small group conversation.