



## A Love So Wide December 14

### Gathering of Community

Music for Gathering

Opening Words

Martha Bogner

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Sharon Sauter

Introit

'People of Hope' (Loiacano)

Chalice Lighting

Sharon Sauter

*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).'*

Words: Honoring Our Common Connection and Our Uniqueness

### Affirming our Connections

Time for All

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

Sharon Sauter

Support the good and important work of People's Church:

[www.tinyurl.com/givetopeoples](http://www.tinyurl.com/givetopeoples)



Offertory

'The Atheist Christmas Carol' (Teng)

Rachel Bair

Giving Thanks for All That Sustains Us

Sharon Sauter

*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

Sharon Sauter

### Searching for Wisdom and Inspiration

Silent Meditation

Spoken Meditation

'A Prayerful Meditation for Renewal'

by Rebekah Savage

Musical Meditation

'Find a Stillness' (#352)

Readings

from *Stubborn Grace: Faith, Mental Illness, and  
Demanding a Blessing* by Kate Landis

'Canticle for Earth' by Jennifer Pratt-Walter

from *Celeste* by Maddy Thorson

Song

'What Wondrous Love' (#18)

Sermon

Martha Bogner

### Returning to the World

Closing song

'There's a Wideness in Your Mercy' (#213)

Closing words

Martha Bogner

Postlude

Coffee Quarter breakout rooms

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