

*This month's theme is
PLURALISM*

*First Parish in Malden,
Universalist*

Mission Statement | Worship is what we do when we gather together, take risks for justice, embrace difference, and give back. Worship is what we do. This is what it looks like.



***Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service***

December 24, 2024

Prelude	O Holy Night <i>Julian McDonald</i>
Opening Words	Erin S.
Lighting of the Chalice	<i>This Night of Mystery We kindle a small flame, in the dark of the year remembering the promise of life abundant, of a possible peace. We pause on this night of mystery, to tell the stories, to sing the songs, and to bring more love into the world.</i> By Linda Hart
Greeting	We invite you to greet your neighbor. Take time to go over to someone you haven't met.
Music	O come, o come, Emmanuel
Land Acknowledgement	FPM is on the native land of the Massachuset, Naumkeag, Pawtucket, and Pennacook people.
Our Covenant	<i>We, the members of the First Parish in Malden, covenant in friendship to create together a community of respect, equality, openness, trust, and compassion. We pledge ourselves to hospitality, understanding, spiritual growth, sharing, and participation.</i>
Music	It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
Invocation	What are you Here for? By Quinn G. Caldwell adapted by Rev. Otto Concannon
Music	Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming <i>Erika Claire Kuttner</i>
Reading	An Angel Appears to Mary Luke 1:26-33
Reading	Christmas Is Subversive By Kendyl L. R. Gibbons

Music	Coventry Carol Choir
Reading	The Birth of Jesus Luke 2:1-7
Time for All Ages	Refuge by Anne Booth & Sam Usher, Published by Little, Brown Books for Young Readers
Music	The first nowell
Reading	An Angel Appears to the Shepherds Luke 2: 8-20
Reading	The Risk of Birth, Christmas 1973 by Madeline L'Engle
Music	O Come All Ye Faithful
Reading	A Star Appears and the Wise Men Follow Matthew 2:1-12
Reading	Amazing Peace: A Christmas Poem By Dr. Maya Angelou
Christmas Homily	Rev. Otto Concannon
Christmas Offering	
Offertory Music	Bring a torch, Jeanette, Isabellal
Lighting the Candles	
Carol	Silent Night
Meditation on the Light	
Carol	Joy to the World
Extinguishing the Chalice	<i>We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, The warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we meet again.</i>
Hymn	Hark the Herald Angels Sing
Benediction	Rev. Otto Concannon
Postlude	



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Worship every Sunday at 10:30 am
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