



## Order of Service

May 12th, 2024

“The Courage of My Palestinian Christian Mother” with Rev. Dr. Fahed Abu-Akel

**Sound of Cymbals & Candle Lighting:** Ashanti Munir

**Welcome:** Melba Evans

**Prelude:** “Grandmother Song” by Sheffy Oren Bach

**Announcements:** Melba Evans

**Offertory:** Please give to support the life of Wedgewood

**Extravagant Welcome:** led by Thomas Blanford

*One:* We are all welcome here.

*One:* Welcome to a church that works for peace, justice, equality, and the care of Mother Earth.

*All:* We are all welcome here.

*One:* An extravagant welcome to you because of your gender identification, sexual orientation, ethnicity, economic situation, physical and mental challenges, doubting or believing, being depressed or full of joy.

*All:* We are all welcome here.

*One:* We are a community of curious and creative spiritual seekers, striving to learn & embody the way of servant leadership.

*All:* We are all welcome here.

*One:* We focus on the plundered and the marginalized, as we try to address the major issues of our day.

*All:* We are all welcome here.

*One:* One of the ways we seek to heal the world and ourselves is through sharing parts of our personal story.

*All:* We are all welcome here.

**Celebrations and Concerns:** Melba Evans

**Time of Silence/Prayer/Meditation**

**Words of Wisdom:** “To My Mother” by Mahmoud Darwish, Palestinian poet

**Message:** “The Courage of my Palestinian Christian Mother” with Rev. Fahed Abu-Akel

**Discussion**

**Solo:** “Mother” by Sugarland, sung by Ashanti Munir

**Closing Words:** Rev. Fahed Abu-Akel

**Sound of Cymbals & Extinguishing Candle:** Ashanti Munir