

A Service of Thanksgiving

for the life of

Marjory “Gege” Kingston

March 25, 1939—February 23, 2025



April 5, 2025

*The First Congregational Church, UCC
Stockbridge, MA*

Order of Worship

All are welcome! Restrooms are available—go through the doors at the front left of the Sanctuary and then through the Jonathan Edwards Room. They are in the hallway on your right.



PRELUDES

Tracy Wilson, Organ
Mary Brinton, Bagpipes

WELCOME/GATHERING WORDS Rev. Brent Damrow

GATHERING MUSIC *Over the Rainbow*
Israel Kamakawiwo'ole'

OPENING PRAYER Rev. Brent Damrow

*OPENING HYMN *Morning Has Broken* No. 469

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalms 23* Belle Fox-Martin

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

ANTHEM *The Road Home* Stephen Paulus

READING *Psalms 121*

REFLECTION Belle Fox-Martin

*HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* No.339

SHARING OF STORIES Tracy Will

OPEN SHARING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Brent Damrow

SOLO *At the River* Aaron Copland Jack Brown, Baritone

*PRAYER OF COMMENDATION/LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN *For the Beauty of the Earth* No. 473

*BENEDICTION Rev. Brent Damrow

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Choral Amen*

POSTLUDE Mary Brinton, Bagpipes

Please remain in your seats for the postlude so that the family can prepare to welcome you for the reception.



*“He toie whakairo, he mana, tangata.”
 (“Where there is artistic excellence there is human dignity.”)*

The family invites all to join them for a reception following worship in the Jonathan Edwards Room hosted by the Service League.