### SPIRITUAL JOURNEYS

### **OPENING WORDS & CHALICE LIGHTING:**

We gather this hour as people of faith With joys and sorrows, gifts and needs.
We light this beacon of hope,
Sign of our quest for truth and meaning
In celebration of the life we share together.

~Singing the Living Tradition #448 Christine Robinson

PURPOSE: We come together to build connections and talk about what deeply matters to us.

CHECK IN: What you share may be about your physical or spiritual health, cares or concerns for loved ones, issues you are facing. What are you leaving behind to be here today?

### READING OF GROUP COVENANT

FOCUS: Spiritual Journeys

Each person in the group speaks uninterrupted; if time remains, general response and conversation are welcome.

# Questions for discussion:

Each of us is on our own, unique spiritual journey. We come from different faith traditions, yet we have all arrived here at All Souls. One of the discussions we have during the Exploring Membership series at All Souls centers on responding to the following questions:

What faith tradition did you grow up in, if any? What was your experience with that? How did you find your way to Unitarian Universalism? What brought you here to All Souls? What brought you to Small Group Ministry?

CONFIDENTIALITY CHECK: Is there anything that you shared here today that you would like held confidential? Otherwise, this is a reminder that we treat each other's sharing with kindness and respect.

### **CHECK OUT**

# **CLOSING WORDS:**

What we call a beginning is often the end And to make an end is to make a beginning.

The end is where we start from

We shall not cease from exploration
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time.