

ORDER OF SERVICE

*for the ceremony of welcome and thanksgiving for*

DAPHNE ELIZABETH  
& MAGNUS JAMES

*Saturday 12th October, 2024*

ROSSLYN HILL CHAPEL

*Hampstead*

OFFICIANT: *Rev Kate Dean*

## **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

Rev Kate Dean

### **FIRST READING**

On Children, by Kahlil Gibran

*Read by Edward Poland*

## **THE UNITARIAN WAY**

### **SECOND READING**

You Are My I Love You, by Maryanne Cusimano Love

*Read by Carolyn Horst*

### **PRAYER**

A prayer of thanksgiving for the new lives that have come to us.

### **BLESSING THE WATER**

We can all bless the water with our good wishes for  
Daphne and Magnus.

You can come forward to dip your fingers in the water or remain  
seated and send your good wishes.

### **THIRD READING**

We Wish for You a Storm, by Robert F. Kaufman

*Read by Sarah Matteson*

## THE NAMING CEREMONY

Thank you for being Guideparents for Daphne and Magnus. I will ask you three questions which I hope you will respond afterwards with 'we do':

Do you promise that Daphne and Magnus will be able to trust you with their thoughts, their dreams and their hopes? **We do**

Do you promise to find time for Daphne and Magnus, to be non-judgemental and supportive and to love them? **We do**

Do you promise to be there to show Daphne and Magnus the richness of nature and our world that brings meaning and purpose to life? **We do**

Do you hope to uphold these promises to the best of your ability? **We do**

At the font:

**In the presence of us all,  
and with this water as a sign of purity,  
I now welcome you: Daphne Elizabeth Horst-Nelson  
and Magnus James Horst-Nelson  
May your mind be always open to new ideas  
And your hearts be filled with love  
And your hands be helpful and ready to serve others  
so that you may be a blessing to all who meet you.  
May the Universe protect you all your days,  
and may you have joy and happiness  
and bring laughter and love in all you do.  
AMEN**

**FINAL PRAYER AND BLESSING**

