

**USM's Southworth Planetarium  
Invites The Neighborhood UCC and Cafe  
to a Private Group Showing of  
"Season of Light"**

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**Sat, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-7:30 pm**

**The popular holiday show  
"Season of Light" returns in  
full dome splendor!**

*NPR'S Noah Adams narrates this  
omni-dome planetarium program about  
the history and astronomy of the  
holiday season.*

*The show concludes with an indoor  
tour of our simulated night sky, led by  
Planetarium Manager, Edward  
Gleason.*

What are the origins of the solstice festivals and Santa Claus? Why do we celebrate New Year's Day on January 1st? What is the history of Hanukkah? "Season of Light" explores the rich and beautiful history of our holiday traditions.

Toward the end of the show, we focus on the Star of Bethlehem. If it were a natural occurrence, what could it have been? Perhaps a comet or some other celestial object?

Join us in our star dome theatre as we celebrate the joy and observe the traditions of the holiday season!

**Admission by Donation of any amount  
to Benefit the Neighborhood Café**

(cash or check only)

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