

## Order of Service

[August 31, 2025](#)

*Unitarian Universalism is a grand vision  
of a world filled with peace and justice, love and joy. Heather Christensen*

## Sounding the Bowl

### Prelude

### Welcome and Opportunities

#### **Kindling Our Flame:Chalice Lighting words by** By Tracy Johnson

We light our chalice this morning— light of our Creative Spirits— light of our Wise Souls  
— light of our Wondering and Curious Minds— light of Love for this place, this people, this  
work. Illuminate our hearts and the spaces between them in this Sacred Time of unfolding.

**Opening Hymn:** #78 Color and Fragrance verses 1,4 and 6

### Opening Reflection

*Inspire: We inspire the search for truth, meaning, and purpose by honoring a process  
of inquiry and discovery that connects each person more deeply to life itself. -*

**Hymn #1003 - Where do We Come From**

**The meaning of life? A story**

### Reflection

*Create: Together, we create and affirm compassionate community by offering  
celebration in times of joy, and support in times of sorrow. We embrace hope within  
and beyond our walls.*

**Hymn: # 346 Come Sing a Song with me**

### Reflection

**Greeting one another**

**Sharing Our Joys & Sorrows**

*submit your joy or sorrow to be read aloud [here](#)*

**Candles of Hope and Remembrance**

**A Litany of Restoration #576**

**Marjorie Bowens Wheatley**

**Transform:** We transform by *calling forth our best selves. Individually and collectively, we serve with courageous love to heal a hurting world, address human injustice, and affirm the sacred nature of the web of all existence.*

**Hymn: #1017**

**We are Building a New Way**

## **Reflection**

**Receiving the Offering - Shared Offering Recipient: Community Assistance Fund**  
[Donate online](#), Text “Fund” to 844-909-2617, or use the Vanco Mobile App

**Transformation:** film by Kristine Reid, music by Jared Gibbs

## **Congregational Covenant**

**Hymn: #1028 Fire of Commitment**

## **Benediction/Extinguishing the Chalice Flame**

Minister: Rev. Pam Philips; Worship Associate: Victoria Taylor, Earle Irwin  
Director of Lifespan Faith Development: Rachel Craine  
Pianist: Mary Louise Hallauer; A/V Tech: Lucas Machi  
Sanctuary Greeters: Lisa Evanylo, Jim Copenheaver, Crosby Houston, Karen Holstein, Cindy Barden  
Zoom Greeters: Akiko Nakata, KC Arceneaux

### ***Our Mission***

***Inspire spiritual and ethical growth.***

***Create compassionate community.***

***Transform our community and the world through courageous love.***

## **UUC Covenant**

*We covenant to create a place of respect and kindness, and to build a spiritual community based on reason and courageous love.*

*We will listen to one another respectfully, assume good intentions, use the power of our words with care, express gratitude, honor our differences, help one another, and welcome all.*

*We will communicate directly, honestly, and compassionately. When we hurt one another, we will forgive, make amends, and re-connect.*

*While we celebrate the words of our Mission Statement, and of this covenant, we affirm that our mission lives through our actions.*

## **Opportunities this Week**

- Men's Breakfast, Monday at 7:00 am (UUC)
- Women's Breakfast, Monday at 7:30 am (UUC)
- Sages, Tuesday at 2:00 (Library)
- InSpired Elders at 3:00 PM (Room 6)
- Men's Group Dinner at 6:00 PM (Library)
- UUYAs at 7:00 PM (Elarth)
- Meditation, Tuesday at 5:00 ([Zoom](#))
- Conversations on our Faith, Wednesday at noon ([Zoom](#))
- Yoga, Wednesday at 5:00 (UUC)
- Women's Lunch, Friday at noon (UUC or a local restaurant)