

Sunday, June 2, 2024
***Unitarian Universalist Church
of Medford***

A Warm Welcome to Our Guests

Thank you for joining us this morning! We recognize that you have many choices and we are grateful you chose to be with us. We invite you to sign the guest book in the vestibule, and to learn more about our church community, please visit our website: ***www.uumedford.org***; Facebook: ***Unitarian Universalist Church of Medford***; email: office@uumedford.org; or telephone (781) 396-4549.

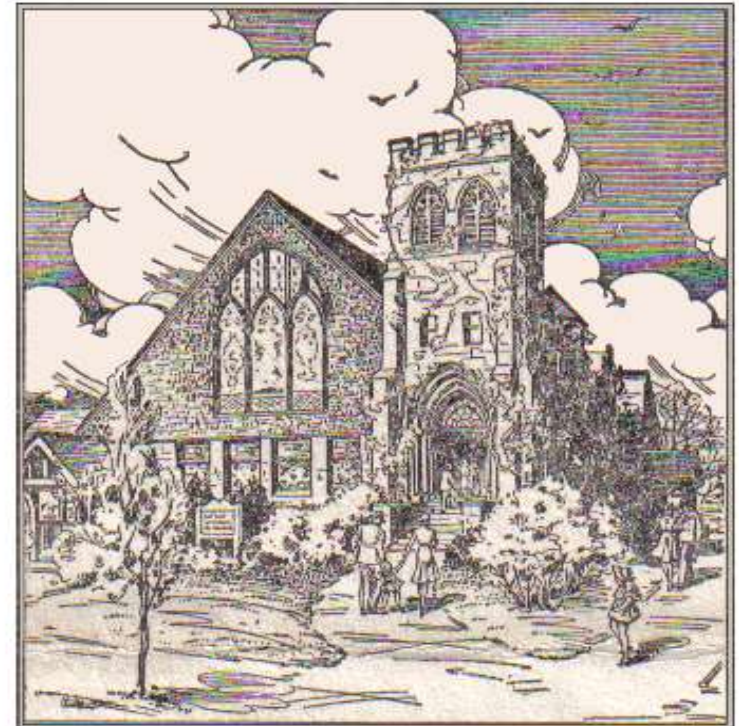
UU Church of Medford welcomes everyone and is recognized by the Unitarian Universalist Association as a Welcoming Congregation. This means that we are a church that is inclusive and expressive of the concerns of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons at every level of congregational life.

Church Staff Ministries:

Rev. Bruce Taylor, Minister: minister@uumedford.org
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Jim Costello, Sexton
The Caring Team: uucm-caring@groups.io

Sharing Their Ministry in Today's Service:

Minister: Rev. Bruce Taylor
Music: Sage Fogle, Andey Amata
Tech Volunteers: April Evans, Andey Amata, Mary MacNamee



Stories from the UU Rainbow Project

We are glad you are among us today.

To honor and be present to this sacred space and time,
please silence your cell phones.

“Hope will never be silent.” ~Harvey Milk

Morning Songs

***Hymn #330 The Arching Sky of Morning Glows**

Words: Mark Belletini; music: Thomas Tallis

***Hymn #325 Love Makes a Bridge**

Words: Brian Wren; music: Gerald Wheeler

***Hymn #295 Sing Out Praises for the Journey**

Words: Mark DeWolfe; music: Henry Purcell

The Bell Sounds and Candles Are Lit

Prelude Improvisation Sage Fogle

Call to Worship (insert – resp. reading) Rev. Mr. Barb Greve

Welcome and Greeting

Chalice Lighting Richard Gilbert

*Covenant

Love is the heart of this church. We commit to:

Being a diverse, welcoming community of mutual care and respect;

Supporting each other's spiritual journey and search for truth and meaning;

Promoting justice and serving the wider community.

We hold ourselves to this promise with compassion and understanding.

***Hymn #1024 When the Spirit Says Do**

Words & music: African-American spiritual, civil rights period

A Time for All Ages Children's Program Certificates

Children's Parting Song: Go in Peace

Words: Li Kynvi; music: Andey Amata and Molly Ruggles

Our beloveds, we are with you; go in peace.

May the spirit of love surround you; go in peace.

(repeat)

Opportunity for Generosity:

Music Chorale #13 J.S. Bach

Offering response:

We are grateful for these gifts we have received,
that sustain us and affirm the ministries of our church community.

Recognition of Volunteers Lourie August and Rev. Bruce

Music Will You Join Me On This Journey

Words & music by Judy Fjell, performed by Andey Amata

Meditation Simple Amidah Mark Belletini

Silent Meditation

***Hymn #1053 How Could Anyone**

Words & music: Libby Roderick

Sermon Stories from the UU Rainbow Project

***Hymn #1019 (insert – new lyrics) Everything Possible**

Words & music: Fred Small

***Community Closing and Benediction Barbara Pescan**

Postlude Bridge Over Troubled Water Paul Simon

***You are invited to rise as you are able**