

Sunday, September 29th, 2024

**Unitarian Universalist Church
of Medford**

**Gödel's Theorem and the Limits of
Rationality**

Trevor Pearce



“The other metaphorical analogue to Gödel’s Theorem which I find provocative suggests that ultimately, we cannot understand our own minds.” Doug Hofstadter

Morning Songs

Hymn #139: O Liberating Rose

Mark Belletini

Hymn #398: To See the World.

Words: William Blake; music: arr. Edvard Grieg

The Bell Sounds and Candles Are Lit

Prelude: Prelude in G

Louis Raffy

Call to Worship

Welcome and Greeting

Chalice Lighting

Trevor Pearce

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 #193: Our Faith is but a Single Gem

John Andrew Store

A Time for All Ages: “Rosh Hashanah, what will the New Year bring?”

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: Meditation

Louis Raffy

Offering Response:

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

Candles of Joys, Sorrows and Milestones

Prayer

Silent Meditation

Hymn #101: Abide with Me

Words: Henry Francis Lyte Music: William Henry Monk

Sermon: Gödel's Theorem and the Limits of Rationality

Hymn #1064: Blue Boat Home

Peter Mayer

Our Story

Community Closing

Postlude: As We Leave This Friendly Place

J. S. Bach

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.

For more information about the church:

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Welcoming Congregation

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Medford 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.

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