

Sunday, October 24th, 2024
**Unitarian Universalist Church
of Medford**
Listening to Rocks



Liz Ammons

“There are laws beyond our human laws, and ways above ours.”

Linda Hogan, Chickasaw Nation

Morning Songs

*Hymn #347: “Gather the Spirit”

Jim Scott

*Hymn #1008: “When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place”

Joyce Poley

The Bell Sounds and Candles Are Lit

Prelude: Blowin in the Wind

Bob Dylan

Call to Worship:

Welcome and Greeting

Chalice Lighting: *Dwellings*, excerpt

Linda Hogan, Chickasaw Nation

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 “This Land Is Your Land, This Land Is My Land”

Woody Guthrie

A Time for All Ages: “Iktomi & the Ducks”

Mimi Olivier

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: Chorale #45

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.

Candles of Joys, Sorrows and Milestones

Prayer and Silent Meditation

Choir: The Times They Are a Changin'

Bob Dylan

Reading: From: "That's the Place . . ."

Simon Ortiz, Acoma Pueblo

Sermon: Listening to Rocks

Hymn "May the Circle Be Unbroken"

Carter family song, adapted

Our Story:

Lourie August

Community Closing: Words from Nobel Prize Speech

Wangari Maathai

Postlude: A Change Is Gonna Come

Sam Cooke

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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Sharing Their Ministry in Today's Service

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