

Sunday, November 10th, 2024
**Unitarian Universalist Church
of Medford**

**Take the Long View, If You
Can**



Tammy McKanan

“You shouldn’t wallow in self-pity, but it’s okay to put your feet in it and swish them around a little.”

Dick Guindon

Morning Songs

Hymn # 1054: Let This Be a House of Peace

Jim Scott

Hymn # 1021: Lean On Me

Bill Withers

The Bell Sounds and Candles Are Lit

Prelude: Somewhere Over the Rainbow

Harburg & Arlen

Call to Worship:

Welcome and Greeting

Chalice Lighting: “Bold and Courageous Together”

Erika Hewitt

Congregational Response

With full hearts, we affirm our relationships with one another;
we recognize our agency and our connective power;
and we accept our responsibility to be bold and courageous.
We light this chalice,
symbol of all that we are, all that we have done together,
and all that we will be as our shared ministry encourages those within,
and beyond, our walls.

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 # 110: Come Children of Tomorrow

Zona Gale

A Time for All Ages: "Season of Giving"

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 #48

JS 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

Contemplation

Special Music: Ploughshare Prayer

Spencer LaJoye

Sermon: Take the Long View, If You Can

Small Group Sharing

Hymn # 88: Calm Soul, Of All Things

Matthew Arnold

Our Story

Cathy Collins

Community Closing:

Paul Robeson

Postlude: Lean On Me

Bill Withers

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.

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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.

Church Staff

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Sharing Their Ministry in Today's Service

Lay Leader: Tammy McKanan

Worship Associate: Joan Trudel

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Hymn Leader: Sage Fogle

Tech Volunteers: April Evans, Dennis Keane, Nathanael Douglas