

Sunday, January 19th, 2025
**Unitarian Universalist Church
of Medford**
Community and Isolation



Matt Leming

*We cannot walk alone. And as we walk, we must make the pledge that we shall always
march ahead. We cannot turn back .*

Martin Luther King Jr.

Morning Songs

Hymn #107: Now Sing we of the Brave Old

Words: Albert Dawson; music: Palestrina

Hymn #175: We Celebrate the Web of Life

Words: Alicia Carpenter; music: Melchior Velpius

The Bell Sounds and Candles Are Lit

Prelude: Improvisation

Sage Fogle

Call to Worship:

St. Francis of Assisi

Welcome and Greeting

Chalice Lighting:

Buddha

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 #188: Come, Come Whoever You Are Words: adapted from Rumi; Music: Lynn Ungar

A Time for All Ages: Martin Luther King and the Beloved Community

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)

Our Story

Opportunity for Generosity:

Our Story:

Lourie August

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

Rumi

Silent Meditation

Reading

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr

Choir Performance: Precious Lord, Take my Hand

Words: Shelley Jackson Denham; music: Betsy Jo Angebrannt

Sermon: Community and Isolation

Community Closing:

Postlude: Precious Lord, Take my Hand.

Thomas A. Dorsey, Arr. Sage

Fogle

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.

Church Staff

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Sharing Their Ministry in Today's Service

Service Leader: Matt Lemming

Music: Sage Fogle & UUCM Choir

Hymn Leader: David Delfino

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