

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 Benker Hall.

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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: Vijaya Sundaram

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Mary MacNamee,

Sunday, March 16th, 2025

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Morning Songs

* Hymn #205 Amazing Grace

Words: John Newton; Music: Virginia Harmony

*Hymn #202 Come Sunday

Words & Music: Duke Ellington

The Bell Sounds and Candles Are Lit

Prelude: We Would Be One Jean Sibelius, arr. from *The Hymnal*, 1933

Call to Worship:

Welcome and Greeting

Chalice Lighting

*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 #315** This Old World

Words: American folk tune; Music: from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

Time for All Ages:

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:

Joan Keane and Loren Bernardi

Opportunity for Generosity: Our Faith Is but a Single Gem

from *The Southern Harmony*, 1935

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/Meditation

Sermon: Ripples and Waves – The Circles of Community and Connection

***Hymn #169** We Shall Overcome

Words & Music: African American Spiritual adapt. by William Farley Smith, 1941

Closing Words

Postlude: One More Step

Joyce Poley

*You are invited to rise as you are able