

Sunday, October 26, 2025
**Unitarian Universalist
Church of Medford**
Dancing with the Ancestors
Anne Goodwin



The world is not a problem to be solved; it is a living being to whom we belong

Llewellyn Vaughan-Lee

Morning Song:

Hymn #360 Here We Have Gathered

Words: Alicia Carpenter; Music: Genevan Psalter, 154

Hymn #100 Peace Like a River

Words & music: Marvin Frey, vs. 4-6, Anon.

The Bell Sounds and Candles Are Lit

Prelude: This Land of Bursting Sunrise

Music: David Hurd

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 #311 Let It Be a Dance

Words & music: Ric Masten

Our Story: UUCM Children's Program.

Nitai Wilson

A Time for All Ages: Making a Harvest Altar

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: Now Light Is Less

Music: Alfred Morton Smith

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

Meditation: Breathed by Life

Joanna Macy

Responsive Reading: #446: To the Four Directions

Joan Goodwin

Special Music : I Walk in the Spirit.

Words & Music: Maggie Wheller

Sermon: Dancing with the Ancestors

Special Music: Round and Round

English Folk Song

Community Closing

Postlude: I Walk the Unfrequented Road

Music: John Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*

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

Service Leader: **Anne Goodwin**

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Next week: Rev. Hank Peirce