

Sunday, November 2nd, 2025
**Unitarian Universalist
Church of Medford**
Honoring Day of the Dead
Rev. Hank Peirce



A TV host once asked the actor Keanu Reeves "What do you think happens when we die, Keanu Reeves?" He answered "I know that the ones who love us will miss us."

Morning Song:

***Hymn #54** Now Light is Less

Words: Theodore Roethke; Music: Alfred Morton Smith

***Hymn #388** Dona Nobis Pacem

Words: Traditional Latin; Music: Traditional Canon

***Hymn #101** Abide With Me

Words: Henry Francis Lyte; Music: William Henry Monk

The Bell Sounds and Candles Are Lit

Prelude: Improvisation

Sage Fogle

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 #201 Glory Glory Hallelujah Words: Traditional; Music: arranged by Mary Allen Walden

A 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)

Opportunity for Generosity: Chorale #100

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

Meditation

Special Music: Allerseelen

Words: Hermann von Gilm; Music: Richard Strauss

Performed by Paul Marcucilli and Sage Fogle

Sermon: Honoring Day of the Dead

Hymn 103 For All the Saints

Words: William Walsham How; Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams

Community Closing

Postlude: Shall We Gather at the River

Robert Lowry

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: **Rev. Hank Peirce**

Music: **Sage Fogle**

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Next Week: Rev. Tess Baumberger: Humility and Compassion