

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist

Association, covenant to affirm and promote:

- *The inherent worth and dignity of every person;*
- *Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;*
- *Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;*
- *A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;*
- *The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;*
- *The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;*
- *Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.*

Inspired by many sources, we seek truth and grow in spirit.

Our Living Traditions include:

- *Direct experience of that transcending mystery and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which moves us to a renewal of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;*
- *Words and deeds of prophetic women and men which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love;*
- *Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;*
- *Jewish and Christian teachings which call us to respond to God's love by loving our neighbors as ourselves;*
- *Humanist teachings, which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit.*
- *Spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions, which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythms of nature.*

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Announcements & news for the Sunday Service bulletin and Friday e-news are due by 9 a.m. every Tuesday. Please email announcements to admin@uufbozeman.org.



**UNITARIAN
UNIVERSALIST
FELLOWSHIP
of BOZEMAN**

“An Unexpected Celebration”

Rev. Margo Rinehart

June 23, 2024



WE:

WELCOME DIVERSITY
ACT FOR JUSTICE
FOSTER SPIRITUAL GROWTH
INSPIRE COMPASSION
NURTURE COMMUNITY
SUSTAIN OUR LIVING PLANET

UUFB Mission Statement

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Gathering Song #361: “Enter, Rejoice, and Come In” (*see insert*)

Greetings and Introduction Barbara Tylka, Lay Leader

Announcements

Greet Your Neighbor

Opening Words/Lighting of the Chalice

Words by Gretchen Haley

Time of Centering/Ringing of the Peace Bowl

Reading of the Covenant

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its prayer.

This is our covenant with one another, and the Spirit of Life:

To live together in peace, to seek truth in freedom,

And to help one another.

Opening Song: “Thank You for Your Loving Hands” (*see insert*)

By Lisa Bregger & Judy Fjell

Song: “I Am Willing” by Holly Near

Sermon: “An Unexpected Celebration” Rev. Margo Rinehart

Musical Meditation: “The Gathering of Spirits” (*see insert*)

By Carrie Newcomer

Joys and Concerns

Musical Response: “We Journey as One” (*see insert*)

By Judy Fjell

Offering

Closing Words/Extinguishing the Chalice

Words by Michael Schuler

Closing Song: “Flowers in My Pocket” by Judy Fjell (*see insert*)

We extend a special heartfelt thank you to:

Speaker: Rev. Margo Rinehart

Lay Leader: Barbara Tylka

Musician: Judy Fjell

RE Staff: Beth Witte, Christine Wilcox, Faila Bianchini & volunteers

Children’s Religious Exploration (RE) Information: Our programs include children of all ages. For more information about the program or if you have questions, please contact the Religious Exploration Coordinator Beth Witte at cre@uufbozeman.org.

Thank You

to everyone who helped with the service and potluck today!



Upcoming Service

July 30, 2024 • “Weaving Our Lives” with Rev. Molly Housh Gordon

Embrace the electrifying spirit of the year's largest UU gathering, where we come together in unity for an awe-inspiring UUA General Assembly Sunday worship celebration like no other!

We are all tangled up together in a great web of life that is woven with beauty and hardship, love and loss, thriving and struggle. How do we tend well to the weaving so that all of us are held in care?

Rev. Molly Housh Gordon, a lifelong UU from Tulsa, OK, and minister of the UU Church of Columbia, MO will lead the service. She's currently suing Missouri for an unconstitutional abortion ban with 13 other clergy co-plaintiffs. Passionate about red-state UU ministry, community organizing, and mutual aid, Molly is also a published essayist and poet completing a Doctor of Ministry in Creative Writing and Public Theology. She, alongside her spouse, is the proud parent of two fierce young children and one chill old dog.

Welcome! If you are visiting, we invite you to contact us so we may inform you of our activities. Please join us after the service for coffee, tea, and conversation.

As a “Welcoming Congregation,” the UUFB seeks to be fully inclusive of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons.