

Accotink

Unitarian Universalist Church

A Welcoming & Inclusive Spiritual Home

where we inspire each other to live our values.

Together we Care in Community, Grow in Spirit, & Act for Justice.

Theme for April: Embracing Possibilities



April 19, 2026

IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL SERVICES at 10a

Minister: Reverend William Levwood

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Minister's Office Hours: Tuesday 11a-7p & Wednesday 11a-7p

Virtual or In Person Hours outside of these hours are available by appointment ONLY.

email Reverend Levwood for scheduling

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Director of Children & Youth Spiritual Development: Michele Andersen

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Congregational Administrator: Briana Raines

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Contact Hours: Tuesday, Thursday: 9a - Noon
and by appointment

THE ENDURING SPIRIT OF THE FOREST

For Reflection:

"Who helps you remember that things can change when you're feeling discouraged?"

RINGING BOWL

PRELUDE

*Each of You by Laura Locklear
AUUC Choir*

WELCOMING WORDS

Kristina Watts

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

CENTERING WORDS

CHALICE LIGHTING

CENTERING SONG

*The Web of Life from Sing Out Love
by Sara Ruth Davis*

TIME FOR ALL AGES

*Dorothea Sophia and the Web of Life
by William Levwood*

CHILDREN'S RECESSIONAL

*As the children recess to their learning groups sing them out with the *Reeb Children's Benediction*.

In addition to the Nursery/Playgroup (Infants - PreK), AUUC is offering the following groups:

* **LEGO VALUUES (Grades K - 5):** will explore our monthly theme of EMBRACING POSSIBILITIES as it relates to TRANSFORMATION, our OUTREACH COLLECTIONS, and our covenantal faith.

* **OUR WHOLE LIVES (OWL Grades 4 - 6 - permission required):** Lesson 5.

* **YOUTH (Grades 7 and up):** Youth will continue with our UU value game curriculum, with this week playing Nature Fluxx, to illustrate the INTERCONNECTED WEB. We will also brainstorm possible OUTREACH NOMINATIONS.

JOYS & SORROWS

PASTORAL ANTHEM

SHARING OF JOYS & SORROWS

*Meditation from Thais by Jules Masanet
Natalie Trainer, violin; Brad Rinaldo, piano*

GOOD NEWS

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

John Hall

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Would You Harbor Me by Ysaye Barnwell
AUUC Choir*

ENERGY MEDITATION

Paula Pierce

MEDITATION IN SONG

*Alleluia from Sing Out Love
by Kenneth P. Langer*

READING

SERMON

The Enduring Spirit of the Forest
Reverend William Levwood

CLOSING ANTHEM

We Rise by Batya Levine (arr. Brad Rinaldo)
AUUC Choir

MAY DAY TESTIMONIAL

John Peterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHALICE EXTINGUISHING WITH COMMUNITY BLESSING

“This church is dedicated to the proposition that by celebrating our differences and embracing our diversity we honor the unity that makes us one and binds us forever together in spite of time, death and the space between the stars. We pause now in silent witness to that unity.”

David Bumbaugh, adapted

BENEDICTION

COFFEE HOUR

DONATE

* Latecomers are still welcome.

~ We welcome people of all ages into our worship service.

Outreach Collection Sponsor: TransGender Education Center

Special thanks to:

Service Webinar Management:

Quang Tran

Worship Associate:

Kristina Watts

Generosity Host:

John Hall



Each Sunday dozens of volunteers work together to make this service a success.

If you'd like to be a Sunday Service Volunteer
or explore other opportunities for volunteering at AUUC,
you can call (703) 503-4579 and leave a message,
or send an email to administrator@accotinkuu.org.

Volunteering is a great way to form relationships with other Accotinkers!

Welcome to our Newcomers

If this is your first Sunday with us, please be sure to sign up for our future broadcast services and various newsletters via our in service chat options or by emailing, info@accotinkuu.org.

A variety of information about Unitarian Universalism and our congregation is available via our website and contact forms. A friendly AUUC Staff Member and/or Volunteer will be happy to answer your questions. In addition, we also publish a weekly newsletter, filled with information and opportunities to make a difference locally and nationally. If you would like to receive our newsletter, please speak to the Church Administrator at administrator@accotinkuu.org, and we will see to it that your name is added to our mailing list. We invite you to either download and/or print out this Order of Service. Please join us for coffee and conversation following the service today.

Our Shared Unitarian Universalist Values

Love is at the center of Unitarian Universalism. Love is the practice of our living tradition.

As Unitarian Universalists we covenant to:



- **Equity:** *We help everyone flourish with dignity by building accessible and inclusive communities.*
- **Interdependence:** *We honor the web of life by protecting Earth & all beings from exploitation.*
- **Justice:** *We work to be Beloved Community by dismantling racism and all forms of systemic oppression.*
- **Generosity:** *We cultivate generosity by freely sharing our Faith, presence, and resources.*
- **Pluralism:** *We celebrate diversity by embracing our differences with love, curiosity, and respect.*
- **Transformation:** *We adapt to change, transforming the world with love by growing together, spiritually and ethically.*

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