

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 September: Covenant



September 20, 2026

IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL SERVICES at 10am

Minister: Reverend William Levwood

email: revlevwood@accotinkuu.org

Minister's General Appointment Hours: Wed. 10am-7pm, Fri. 10am-4pm

email Reverend Levwood for scheduling

Virtual or In-Person Hours outside of these hours are also available by appointment

For immediate pastoral support call Rev. Levwood directly at (571) 210-0816

Director of Children & Youth Spiritual Development: Michele Andersen

email: dsd@accotinkuu.org

DSD's General Appointment Hours:

Tues/Thurs. 10:30am-4:30 pm, Sun. 1:00pm-3:00 pm

Music Director: Brad Rinaldo

email: music@accotinkuu.org

Congregational Administrator: Briana Raines

email: administrator@accotinkuu.org

contact Administrator for scheduling

A SHIP IN THE STORM

For Reflection: *How does having a spiritual home help you through these difficult times?
How can you offer the same gifts to others?*

RINGING BOWL

PRELUDE

The Water Is Wide
(folk song, arr. Greg Gilpin)
AUUC Choir

WELCOMING WORDS

Kristina Watts

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

CHALICE LIGHTING

CENTERING WORDS

CENTERING SONG

This Boat from *Sing Out Love*
by Laura Zucker

TIME FOR ALL AGES

All Hands on Deck
by Robert Neubecker

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:

"Elementary - Love at the Center": This week we are discovering the many ways UUs show LOVE AMONG US. We will continue working on our Love at the Center books.

"Youth - Love at the Center": This week all MS & HS youth are invited to explore OUR COVENANTAL FAITH - what does it mean to be a faith of covenant, not creed? How does it incorporate LOVE AMONG US? We will continue working on the 5 Rings of Love Poster, adding their ideas.

HS Youth Group: Meets next on October 11th from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm (during the monthly potluck) for the second session on the "Coming of Age" program.

JOYS & SORROWS

PASTORAL ANTHEM

We'll Be Known by Our Love from *Sing Out Love*
by Katie Grigg-Miller

SHARING OF JOYS & SORROWS

MEDITATION IN SONG

Sanctuary (Visionary / Revolutionary)
by Randy Scruggs and John W. Thompson
(adapted, with new lyrics by Wm Levwood)

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Kate McDevitt

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

More Waters Rising
by Saro Lynch Thomason (arr. Podd Brothers)
AUUC Choir

READING

blessing the boats
by Lucille Clifton

SERMON

A Ship In the Storm
Reverend William Levwood

CLOSING SONG

We'll Be Known by Our Love from Sing Out Love
by Katie Grigg-Miller

CHALICE EXTINGUISHING WITH COMMUNITY BLESSING

inspired by the words of David Bumbaugh

BENEDICTION

SOCIAL HOUR

DONATE

Outreach Collection Recipient: Beacon House

Outreach Collection Sponsor: Jessica Diana

Special thanks to:

Service Webinar Management: Joe Tuggle

Worship Associate: Kristina Watts

Generosity Host: Kate McDevitt



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 power that holds us together. Love is the practice of our Living Tradition. As Unitarian Universalists, this is our covenant:



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

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