

Sunday, July 13, 2025 "Sacred Music" with OUUC Members

A celebration of the spiritual power of music to open our minds, hearts, and bodies through melody, rhythm, and poetry. A few OUUC members and friends identify a favorite hymn and reflect how it holds meaning for them. We'll sing together, inviting music to deepen our personal and shared experience of the sacred.

At OUUC, masks are welcome and optional. Please join us online if you don't feel well.

Kindly put your cell phones into Airplane Mode to help us ensure a meaningful experience for all in attendance, onsite and online.

Hearing assistance devices are available in the sanctuary at the tech desk.

Troy Fisher (he/him)

Congregation

Liz Clement (she/her)

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Rev. Sara Lewis (she/her)

Prelude

Morning Song Hymn #346 "Come, Sing a Song with Me" Words & Music: Carolyn McDade

Welcome

Chalice Lighting Words of Douglas Taylor

Opening Words

"Come into this circle of community. Come into this sacred space." by Andrew Pakula

Opening Hymn Hymn #108 "My Life Flows On in Endless Song" Words: Early Quaker song Music: American gospel tune	Congregation
Story For All "David Meets Saul" by Gaia Brown	Rev. Sara Lewis
Musical Interlude	Troy Fisher
Share the Plate Offering	Liz Clement
Offertory	Troy Fisher
Ritual of Sharing From the Heart	Rev. Sara Lewis
Prayerful Practice "Comfort Me" By Shari Woodbury	Rev. Sara Lewis
Reflection	Anne Kohlbry (she/her)
Reflection I	Sharon Love
Hymn #389 "Gathered Here" Words & Music: Philip A. Porter	Congregation
Reflection II	Ginny Taylor
Hymn #347 "Gather the Spirit" Words & Music: Jim Scott	Congregation
Reflection III	Carbon Marshall
Hymn #123 "Spirit of Life" Words & Music: Carolyn McDade, Harmony by Grace Lewis-McLaren	Congregation
Final Reflection	Anne Kohlbry

Closing Hymn Hymn #1064 "Blue Boat Home"	Congregation
Music: Roland Hugh Prichard	
Keyboard arr. Jason Shelton	
Closing Words & Extinguishing the Chalice	Liz Clement
by Becky Laurent	
Postlude	Troy Fisher

Reflection questions:

- What hymn/s hold special resonance for you?
- How does hearing others share their favorite hymn connect you to them in a new way?
- What did the reflections reveal about the speakers that deepens your understanding of them?

Next Sunday, July 20, 2025, at 9 am (onsite only) & 10:45 am (online & onsite):

"A Moral Document"

On July 4th we celebrated the 249th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. How are the values of freedom and human dignity expressed in that document reflected in the values we honor in our Unitarian Universalist faith tradition? **Share the Plate Offering:** Our Share the Plate organization for July and August is GRUB's Growing Home Collective:

Garden-Raised Bounty (GRuB)'s program, Growing Home Collective, centers the reality that Black people's huge contribution of genius, highly skilled, and stolen labor was crucial in creating the United States. Including a reparations-based approach, Growing Home Collective reduces barriers for Black people to access GRuB programs, resources, and leadership opportunities. Led by an advisory group with Black staff & community members, this group co-creates affinity programming by, with and for Black people, to center Black self-determination, creativity and lived experience.

If you write a check, please note "pledge" if it is a pledge payment. All other donations in the basket will benefit the Share the Plate program.

- Checks can be mailed to: 2306 East End St NW, Olympia, WA 98502
- Donate online at: <u>https://onrealm.org/OUUC/give/offering</u>
- Donate by text: Text "OUUC offering" to 73256 to give using your mobile device. Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.