



Our spiritual practice for June is **Flourishing Together**.

"If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other."

~Mother Teresa

Sunday, June 28th, 2026

"One Should Never Underestimate the Healing Power of Music."

with Troy Fisher & the OUUC Choir

A music service featuring the OUUC Choir with guest musicians and dancers.

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.

Prelude

Troy Fisher (he/him)

Morning Song

OUUC Choir &

"Lead With Love"

Congregation

Words & music: Melanie DeMore

Chorus x2:

You gotta put one foot in front of the other

And lead with love

Put one foot in front of the other

And lead with love

Don't give up hope
You're not alone
Don't you give up
Keep movin' on

Chorus x2:

You gotta put one foot in front of the other
And lead with love
Put one foot in front of the other
And lead with love

Lift up your eyes
Don't you despair
Look up ahead
The path is there

Chorus x2:

You gotta put one foot in front of the other
And lead with love
Put one foot in front of the other
And lead with love

I know you're scared
And I'm scared too
But here I am
Right next to you

Chorus x2:

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And lead with love
Put one foot in front of the other
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Welcome

*Alicia Seegers
Martinelli (she/her)*

Chalice Lighting

“There’s a Light” words & music: Ron Parks

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There’s a light in this place
And it shines in ev’ry face.
It’s the fire of truth and grace for all.

May the hope we find here,
As the faithful gather near
Be the Word that conquers fear with joy.

Here we belong,
Ev’ry voice joins the song.
Many as one, clear and strong.

Welcome, faith family,
Cherish our diversity.
May our worship set us free to love.

Opening Words

“Holy Ground” Words & music: Linda Smith Koehler

*Troy Fisher
OUUC Choir &
Congregation*

Wherever you are, you’re rooted in Holy Ground.
Whenever you are, you’re living in Sacred Times.
Whomever you’re with, you’re in the presence of
the Divine.
So whatever you do, keep that in mind!

Opening Hymn

“I Believe in Someday”

Words: Mattie J.T. Stepanek

Music: Joseph M. Martin, incorporating: Peace Like a
River

*OUUC Choir &
Congregation*

Choir:

Someday, we will all join our hands in a loving
circle none can break.
Someday, we will all take a stand and make the
world a better place;
Helping each other, loving each other
Someday, we'll all live in peace.
Deep in my heart I believe.

Someday, we can start with just one.
There will be a peace that never ends.
Someday we can sing a heart song, and all the
world can sing as friends:
Teaching each other, reaching each other.
Someday, we'll all live in peace.
Deep in my heart I believe.

Someday, the world will sing with one voice.
Someday, we'll sing a song of peace.
Come and learn the melody.
We can sing in harmony.
We will make a ringing, singing symphony!
Someday, O I believe!

Congregation:

I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
[repeat]

I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
[repeat]

Makes me love ev'rybody.
Makes me love ev'rybody.

Makes me love ev'rybody in my soul.

[repeat]

I've got peace like a river,

I've got peace like a river,

I've got peace like a river in my soul.

[repeat]

Peace in my soul!

Story For All

OlyFlamenco

“Malamente” [Escape from the Bad] By Rosalia

Dancers: Donna Pallo-Perez & Patrisha Honeysuckle,

Vocalist: Darleen Simkins, Drummer: Kathleen Lee

That little broken glass

I felt how it creaked

Before it fell to the ground

I knew it was breaking

It is blinking,

The landing light

A voice on the stairs

Someone crossing the hall

Badly. That's it, like this

Tra-tra!

So bad, so bad, so bad, so bad, so bad

Take it.

Badly. That's it, like this

Tra-tra!

So bad, so bad, so bad, so bad, so bad

Look

The night takes a strange turn
Moon and stars have come out (Eh)
The Romani woman told me
Better not to go out to see it (No)
I dream that I'm walking
Through bridge and sidewalk
The more I want to cross it (Go),
The more it moves and wobbles.

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Tra-tra!
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Although it isn't pretty, the sacred night
I go out into the street
In my little hand, hoops sparkling on my skin
The coral amulet protects me, saves me
Enlighten me, guard me (Hmph)
Ahead
I won't lose a minute on thinking about you again

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Share the Plate Offering

*Alicia Seegers
Martinelli*

Offertory

“Sextet in B-flat, Op.18, III. Scherzo and Trio”
by Johannes Brahms

*Trio Musicorum
Medicorum*

Trio Musicorum Medicorum- Andrew Bonner, Piano;
Becky Reese, Cello; Alistair Leon Kok, Violin

Ritual of Sharing from the Heart

“Trio (1952), II.Andante”
By Arno Babadjanian

*Rev. Mary Gear
(she/her)*

Prayerful Practice

Rev. Mary Gear

Musical Response

“A Heartsong Blessing”
Words based on the poem “Resolution Blessing”
By Mattie J.T. Stepanek, Music: Joseph M. Martin

OUUC Choir

Let our breath be gentle wind.
Let our ears be of those who listen.
Let our hearts be love songs for the earth.
Let all our spirits serve,
Bringing hope and peace to all the world.

Let our minds be filled with hope.
Let our hands reach out in kindness.
Let our eyes, with int'rest and respect,
Seek health and happiness,
Let our souls be filled with wonder.

Let us join our hands in this moment.

We are one in heart and voice.

Let us touch the future together.

As we pray and play, as we live each day,

We can change the world with love.

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**A Musical Reflection: “Never Underestimate the Healing
Power of Music”**

*Trio Musicorum
Medicorum & OUUC
Choir*

**“Premiere Trio (1880) en Sol, II.
Scherzo-Intermezzo”** by Claude Debussy

“Because You Sang” Words: Ruthie Prillaman /
Music: Arianne Abela

Who will bear this burden?
What harbinger of spring
Will weather storm and clamor
And living future bring?
Fortified and boundless,
With voice unwavering.
Because you sang I sing, I sing
Because you sang, I sing.

Armoured with each other
Through newly had you met.
Sounding ever outwards,
For souls not entered yet.
Louder yet the uproar
Against oppression's sting.
Because you sang I sing, I sing
Because you sang, I sing.

A choir of a thousand
Distinguished woven parts.
Perfect in its union
Of common beating hearts
I'll add my voice, my vigor.
The song you raised will ring.
Because you sang I sing, I sing
Because you sang, I sing.

“There Will Come Soft Rains” Text: Sara Teasdale

/ Music: Matt Podd

The spring is fresh and fearless.
And ev’ry leaf is new,
The world is brimmed with moon light,
The lilac brimmed with dew.

Here in the moving shadows
I catch my breath and sing.
My heart is fresh and fearless,
And overbrimmed with spring,

There will come soft rains and the smell of
the ground,
And swallows circling with their
shimmering sound;
Come soft rain,
Circling round with shimm’ring sound.
Come.

And frogs in the pools singing at night,
And wild plum trees in tremulous white,
Singing at night

And robins will wear their feathery fire
Whistling their whims on a low
fence-wire;
Circling round with shimm’ring sound.

And not one will know of the war,
And not one will care at last when it is
done.
Not one would mind, neither bird nor
tree
If mankind perished utterly;

And Spring herself, when she woke at
dawn,
Would scarcely know that we were gone.

“Apres un reve, Op.7, No.1” by Gabriel Faure

Closing Hymn

“Lean On Me with We Shall Overcome”

Arranged by Mark Hayes

*OUUC Choir &
Congregation*

We shall overcome,
We shall overcome.
We shall overcome some day;
Oh, deep in my heart,
I do believe,
We shall overcome some day.

Sometimes in our lives
we all have pain,
we all have sorrow.
But if we are wise
we know that there's
always tomorrow.

Lean on me when you're not strong
and I'll be your friend, I'll help you carry on,
For it won't be long 'til I'm gonna need
somebody to lean on.

Please swallow your pride
if I have things
you need to borrow,
For no one can fill
those of your needs
that you won't let show.

You just call on me brother when you need a hand.

We all need somebody to lean on.

I just might have a problem that you'd understand.

We all need somebody to lean on.

If there is a load
you have to bear
that you can't carry,
I'm right up the road,
I'll share your load
if you just call me.

Call me... call me...call me...call me...call me...call me...

Yes, we shall overcome some day,
Yes, we shall overcome some day;
Some Day!

Closing Words & Extinguishing the Chalice

OUUC Choir

"May a Song" Words & music: Jason Shelton

May a song of peace be yours,
May a song of hope be mine,
May a song of love be ours,
Until we meet again.

Postlude

Trio Musicorum

"Trio in E-flat, Hob XV:30, III. Presto"

Medicorum

By Franz Haydn

Reflection Questions:

1. Have you had an experience where music seemed to bring healing?
 2. Do you have a song that brings you peace?
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There is no after service forum today, forums will return in September.

Next Sunday, July 5th th, 2026, at 9 am (onsite only) & 10:45 am (online & onsite):

“The Truths We Hold” - with Rev. Carol Mckinley

This weekend the United States celebrates the 250th anniversary of its founding, a perfect time to pause and reflect on the nuanced history of the world's oldest constitutional democracy – a history of greatness, struggle, and aspiration. As citizens and as people of faith we have a responsibility to know the full story of our nation so together, we can work toward a future of justice, equity and freedom.

There will be **no more After-Service Forums** until September — Happy Summer!

Share the Plate Offering: Our Share the Plate organization for May and June is Enterprise for Equity:

Enterprise for Equity helps people with low incomes to start or strengthen small businesses. They offer intensive training, expert coaching and consultation, a supportive community of entrepreneurs, and access to credit. Enterprise for Equity believes that entrepreneurship can be a pathway out of poverty, a tool for economic justice, and a vehicle for sustainable, community-rooted prosperity.

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: <https://onrealm.org/OUUC/give/offering>
 - 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
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We are collecting food for immigrant families for the next few weeks. Please check out the list of desired foods at the display in the Commons during coffee hour. For questions or more information **contact Naki Stevens.**

Find more details on these and other announcements in the Weekly Update:

<https://www.ouuc.org/weekly-update/>