

# **Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento**

Sunday, April 20, 2025, in person and online

## **Easter: Celebration and Hope in Spite of Everything**

### **Hymn #203**

All Creatures of the Earth and Sky  
-words att. St. Francis of Assisi

### **Words of Welcome**

### **Pledge Drive Message**

Janet Lopes

### **Music for Centering**

‘Twas on One Sunday Morning  
-Trad. African American Spiritual, arr. Steven A. Ward

### **Chalice Lighting**

### **Blessing Song for Children and Youth**

Lead with Love  
-Melanie DeMore

### **Candle of Compassion and Resistance**

### **Joys & Sorrows, Prayer & Silence**

### **Hymn #34**

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

### **Readings**

The Beatitudes, Gospel of Luke  
Maria Popova  
Cole Arthur Riley

### **Gift of Music**

Light Beyond Shadow  
-Dan Forrest

### **Shared Offering**

for Nor Cal Resist

Every month we give half of the Sunday offering to a local not-for-profit agency.  
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### **Offertory**

Alleluia  
-Ralph Manuel

### **Spoken Response**

May generosity bless our world,  
and may gratitude nourish our spirits.

### **Sermon**

### **Hymn**

Life Calls Us On  
-Kendyl Gibbons, Jason Shelton

### **Extinguishing the Chalice**

### **Benediction**

#### **SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY**

Rev. Dr. Roger Jones, preaching ~ Rev. Lucy Bunch  
Worship Associate Celia Buckley

UUSS Choir ~ Music Director Anthony Tavianini,  
Irina Tchantceva, piano

String Quartet: Mary Blanchette, violin I, Jennifer Campbell, violin II,  
Annette Orella, viola, Thomas Derthick, bass.  
Pulpit flowers by Elinor Anklin

## **WELCOME TO GUESTS & NEWCOMERS!**

Please complete a Newcomer Card to receive follow-up information and *Our Weekly Message* by email at [uuss.org/newcomers](http://uuss.org/newcomers) or at the Welcome Table in the hall.

Find our Weekly Calendar at [uuss.org/bluesheets/](http://uuss.org/bluesheets/)

Assisted listening devices are in the back.

Our induction-loop system connects to a T-coil hearing aid. Restrooms are out the sanctuary doors to the left. A single-person restroom is in the hallway to the right of the Library/Bookstore.

## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

We come together to deepen our lives  
and to be a force for healing in the world.

## **OUR LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

We honor the Nisenan, Southern Maidu, and Miwok peoples  
for their commitment to this land where UUSS exists.  
They have never ceded, left, nor ceased to care for this land.

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