

Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento

Sunday, December 14, 2025, in person and online

Waiting Well

Gathering Hymn

I'm Gonna Lift My Sister Up
...brother, sibling, neighbor, people
-Faya Rose Touré

Welcome & Announcements

Chalice Reading & Lighting

Music for Centering

Jesus bleibet meine Freude
-J. S. Bach (1685-1750), arr. Mark Hayes

Blessing Song for Children and Youth

Lead with Love
-Melanie DeMore

Candle of Compassion and Resistance

Joys and Sorrows, Prayer and Silence

Hymn #86

Blessed Spirit of My Life

Reading

Reflection

Gift of Music

Anthem
-Leonard Cohen (1934-2016)

Shared Offering

for Family Promise

Every month we give half of the Sunday offering to a local not-for-profit organization. Donate by text at 916-619-0903, or online at uuss.org/donate, or by check to UUSS.

Spoken Response

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

Sermon

Hymn #108

My Life Flows On

Extinguishing the Chalice and Candle Flames

Unison words

May the power of this gathering light our way forward
with courage. In the days to come, let us remember
that fear is outworked by hope,
and that hatred is no match for the power of love.

Benediction

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Dr. Roger Jones, preaching
Ministerial Intern Sophia McKean
Worship Associate Andy Cramer
Music Director Anthony Tavianini
Pianist Irina Tchantceva

WELCOME TO GUESTS & NEWCOMERS!

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

Find our Weekly Calendar at 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. All-gender 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.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO

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Waiting Well:

Patience, Persistence, and Hope

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