

Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento

Sunday, January 18, 2026, in person and online

A Hero in the Shadows: Bayard Rustin

Opening Hymn #1018

Come and Go with Me

Welcome & Announcements

Chalice Reading & Lighting

Music for Invocation

Let Me Believe
-Rebekka Goldsmith

Blessing Song for Children and Youth

Lead with Love
-Melanie DeMore

Candle of Compassion and Resistance

Joys and Sorrows, Prayer and Silence

Hymn

Be Still and Breathe
-Loretta Notareschi

Sermon part 1

Reading

from Bayard Rustin (1912-1987)

Gift of Music

Precious Lord, Take My Hand
-Thomas A. Dorsey (1899-1993), arr.F. Bock

Shared Offering

for Sacramento ACT

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.

Offertory

Bayou Home
-William Grant Still (1895-1978)



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Spoken Response

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

Sermon part 2

Hymn

Gonna Keep on Moving Forward
-Emma's Revolution (P. Humphries, S. Opatow)

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 ~ Rev. Lucy Bunch
Ministerial Intern Sophia McKean
Worship Associate Connor Lane
UUSS Choir ~ Music Director Anthony Tavianini
Irina Tchantceva, piano

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.

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