

Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento

Sunday, April 26, 2026, in person and online

Earth Day: Gratitude for the Gifts of the Earth

Hymn #163 For the Earth Forever Turning

Welcome & Announcements

Chalice Reading & Lighting

Music for Centering Echoes of the Forest
-inspired by Ann Licater, native flute

Candle of Compassion and Resistance

**Joys and Sorrows
Prayer and Silence**

Hymn A Place For You

Introduction of Theme

Reading From the Book Rooted:
Life at the Crossroads of Science, Nature, and Spirit
-Lyanda Haupt

Gift of Music Apple Tree
-AURORA

Shared Offering for The Creation District
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

Soft Sunrise
-Charles Szczepanek

Offering Response

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

Gratitude for the Earth

Mandala Making

Blessing

Hymn #1064 Blue Boat Home

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. Lucy Bunch ~ Rev. Dr. Roger Jones
Worship Associates Eric Gudtz & Andy Cramer
Music Director Anthony Tavianini
Pianist Irina Tchantceva
Tammy Helenske flute, Amy Lewis, reflection, Lu Bunker,
Courtney O'Neill, Bess Caswell, Celia Buckley, Jasmine Mirfattah

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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