

Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento

Sunday, August 30, 2026, in person and online

Hymn

How Shall We Come Together?
-Maggie Wheeler

Welcome & Announcements

Chalice Lighting

Music for Centering “Tortoises” from Carnival of the Animals
-Camille Saint-Saens

Candle of Compassion and Resistance

Joys and Sorrows
Prayer and Silence

Introduction

Shared Offering for Effie Yeaw Nature Center
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 Everybody’s Got a Beating Heart
-Eric Hutchinson

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

Hymn #1023 Building Bridges

Drama: Old Turtle

Blessing

Hymn #21 For the Beauty of the Earth

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.



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Benediction

Procession to the Meadow

Blessing of the Memorial Wall Mosaic

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Dr. Roger Jones ~ Rev Lucy Bunch
Worship Associate Connor Lane ~ Director Elizabeth Leonard
Music Director Anthony Tavianini
Keyboard and voice; Thomas Derthic, double bass;
Jennifer Campbell, violin; Joe Piper, bass; Carl Crain, guitar; Ted Scott-
Femenella, percussion; Celia Buckley, voice.
Religious Education Coordinator Crystal Fountain

Thank You!

Elizabeth Leonard, Director. Crystal Fountain, RE Coordinator.
Special thanks from Elizabeth to the young people of our Religious Education program, Alicia Taylor, Anara Guard, Anthony Tavianini, Carol Rex, Celia Buckley, Crystal Fountain, Danielle Vickers, Dave Hutinson, Duncan Barrow, Eleanor Dadek, Emma Lantz, Frankie, Gordon Sharp, Jaden Pagliaroli, Jan Larsson, Karen Sparrow, Katharine Sharp, Laura Weaver, Leanna Pierson, Linda Osborne, Maria Espinosa-Castro, Marion Randall, Mark Sabin, Mary McGown, Michelle Mann, Molly Den Boer Stuart, Monica Miller, Patricia Johnson, Patricia Wentzel, Rachelle Wheeler, Renee Scott-Femenella, Roberta Goldenpenny, Sally Wilkins, Sara Gandara, Sean Fountain, Sue Ann Foster, Terrie Ray, Terrie Taylor, Thomas Whittney, Victoria Goldblatt, and Wendy Cioni.

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/

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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

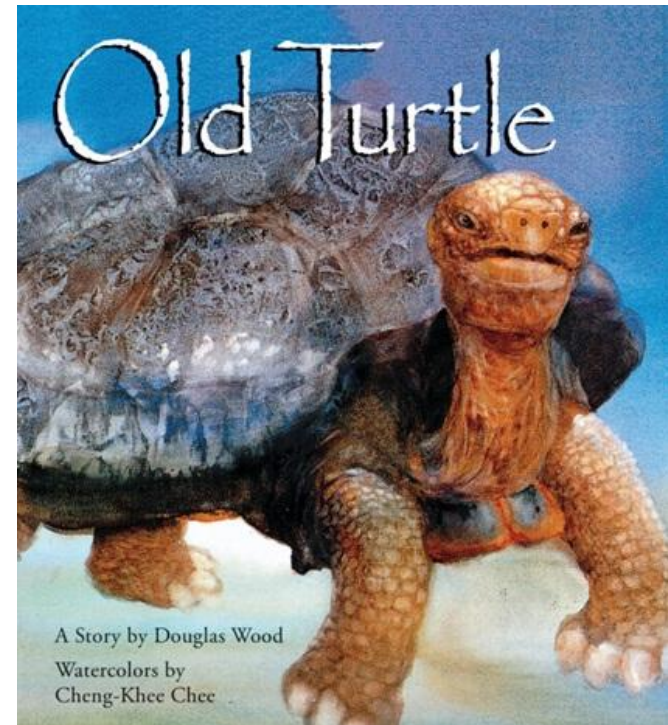
We honor the Nisenan, Southern Maidu, and Miwok peoples
for their commitment to this land where UUSS exists.
They have never ceded, left, nor ceased to care for this land.

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Old Turtle A Service for All Ages

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