

## Inviting the Bell

## Passing the Peace

*fr. Church of the Flying Spaghetti Monster (Pastafarian)*

**Hymn #358**    *Rank by Rank Again We Stand*

## Welcome

## Chalice Lighting

*We light this chalice for the gifts of community: for hearts made tender by our care of each other, for hard truths shared in love, for threads of relationship that bind us even as they liberate us.*

**Covenant**                      *UCDSM Mission*

## Responsive Invocation #468

## Sung Invocation #1013 (adapted)

*Open my heart to all that life brings.  
Let me be part of the love that's giv'n.*

## Story

*All Our Neighbors  
Alexandra Penfold & Suzanne Kaufman*

## Children's Benediction

**UU History**<sub>video</sub> *Ch. 18: Ferenc David and the Unitarian Mind*

## Music

*Holy Now  
Peter Mayer*

## Joys and Sorrows

## Moment of Silence

**Sung Response #1031** *Filled With Loving Kindness*

**Training in Compassion** *Owning Your Nobility*

## Offertory

## Sermon I

## Interlude

*For Good*  
Stephen Schwartz, arr. by Mac Huff

UU Singers

## Sermon II

**Hymn #360**                      *Here We Have Gathered*

## \*Extinguishing the Chalice

*We extinguish the flame and carry its warmth within us into the fragile, blessed, and sometimes uncomfortable work of community. We carry its light reminding us that that we belong to one another.*

## \*Spoken Benediction

**\*Sung Benediction #1058** *Be Ours a Religion*

*\*Please rise in body or spirit.*

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Minister:	Rev. Meredith Garmon
Celebrant:	Susan Bridgford
Storyteller	Faithyna Leonard
Song Leader:	Louise Alcorn
Musicians:	Natalie Mason
Choir Director	Karen Kraemer
Pianist	Bruce Martin
Pastoral Care Associate	Barb Glass
Hospitality Team Lead	Lynne & Kerry George
AV Tech	Bill Paxson

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## Annual Meeting Today!

Begins after the service.

**ONLINE GIVING.** Support various programs with online donations! Scan the QR code and select a fund:

- **Your Pledge**
- **Basket Donation**
- **Faith in Action Partners** (donations split evenly among partners)
- **And more!**



**FAITH IN ACTION.** Our 2024-25 Faith in Action Partners are **AI Exito!** and the **Young Women's Resource Center**. You can now give to these groups through our online giving or by using the envelopes located in the auditorium. All donations will be split evenly between the two organizations.

**CONNECTION CIRCLES.** Connection Circles are a way of connecting with one another in deep and meaningful ways. Groups of 8-10 people gather once a month to engage with a different spiritual theme through reflection, practice, deep listening, and open-hearted sharing. Scan to sign up.



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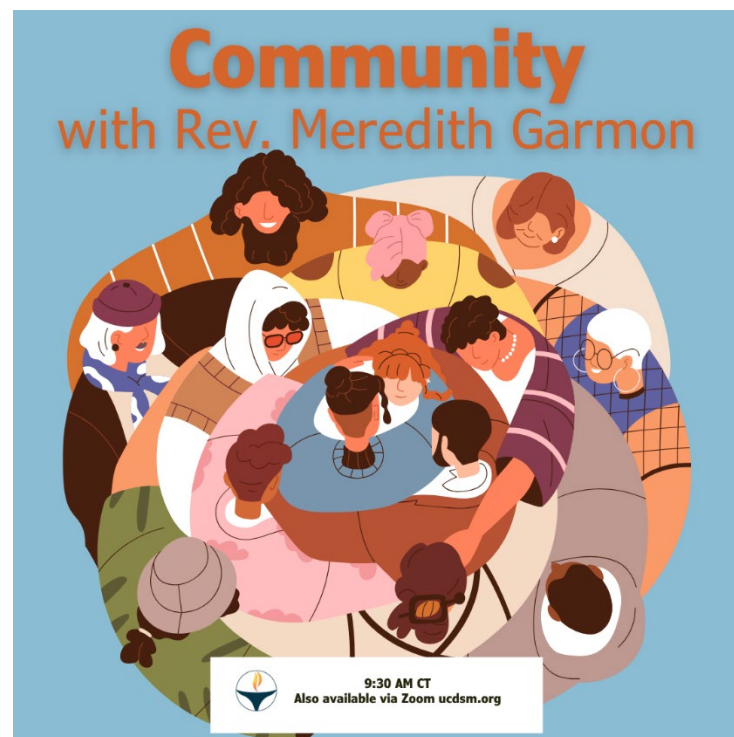
- **Assistive Listening Devices, full-page magnifiers, large-print hymnals and hymnals in Braille:** These are available just inside the Auditorium doors, on the shelves to your left.
- **Disability parking and accessible entrances:** Parking is available outside the west doors just past the drop-off lane in the right lane, or in the lot just south of the church on Casady Drive.

**Lift to all building levels:** Main floor on the east side of the coat room.

# Welcome

to the  
**First Unitarian Church  
of Des Moines**

*Love radically. Grow ethically and spiritually. Serve justly.*



2025 Jun 1 ~ 9:30-10:45  
11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Spring



Waxing Crescent