Inviting the Bell

**Passing the Peace** 

Hymn #183 The Wind of Change Forever Blown

Welcome

**Chalice Lighting** 

May the light we now kindle inspire us to use our powers to heal and not to harm, to help and not to hinder, to bless and not to curse, to serve you, Spirit of freedom.

**Covenant** from UCDSM's Relational Covenant

**Sung Invocation** (tune: #1013)

Open my heart to all that life brings.

Let me be part of the love that's giv'n.

**Story** The Day the Kids Took Over

Sam Apple

UU Historyvideo Ch. 20: The Edict of Torda

Music Farewell Medley Bruce & Barb Martin

Joys and Sorrows Ellen Taylor

**Moment of Silence** 

Sung Response #1002 Comfort Me

Training in Compassion Aspire to the Impossible

Offertory

**Reflection** Louise Alcorn

**Homily** Transitions Meredith Garmon

Reflection

LoraKim Joyner

**Hymn** #100

I've Got Peace Like a River

**Transitions Ceremony** 

Faithyna Leonard

\*Extinguishing the Chalice

We called forth the life of our faith by igniting our chalice. This spark of new beginning invited us into a sacred space to reflect where we have been and where we are going. Even knowing that this particular flame intentionally ends with this extinguishing, we fear not its end, for we know, with brave hearts, that from every ending of our lives, we are sent forth to make a new beginning.

\*Spoken Benediction

\*Sung Benediction #363 Alleluia! Sang Stars

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

Minister: Rev. Meredith Garmon

Celebrant:
Storyteller
Song Leader:
Special Music:
Louise Alcorn
Faithyna Leonard
Karen Kraemer
Bruce Martin
Parhara Martin

Barbara Martin

Pastoral Care Associate Ellen Taylor

Hospitality Team Lead Amanda & Alan Kruse

AV Tech Kent Newman

**Today's Forum** 

Begins 30 min. after the service ends.

Join us in celebrating the contributions of Rev. Meredith Garmon and Rev. LoraKim Joyner to our church and wish them well on their next big adventure. **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.



## **ACCESSIBILILITY**:

- 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.

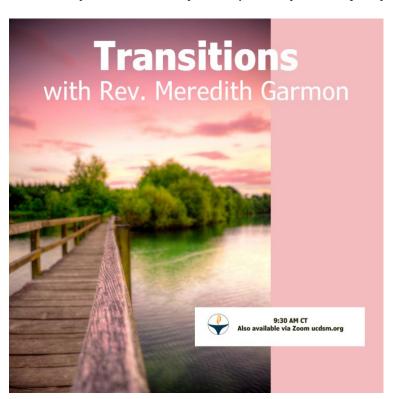
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2025 Jun 15 ~ 9:30-10:45 Last Sunday of Spring

