

# Where Our Deep Gladness and the World's Deep Hunger Meet

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Sunday, August 17, 2025

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>The Garden Song</i>	Dave Mallett
<b>Singing #118</b>	<i>This Little Light of Mine</i> and children's song adapted for the Civil Rights Movement	African-American spiritual
<b>Welcome and Centering</b>		Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones
<b>Call to Worship &amp; Chalice Lighting</b>	<i>Self-Employment</i>	Mark Nepo
<b>Congregational Candle</b>	<i>In Loving Memory: Charlotte Hammer</i>	
<b>Wonder Box Wisdom</b>	<i>What Will Make Our Garden Grow?</i>	Xoey Kelly
<b>Singing</b>	<i>The Garden Song</i> led by Ginny Andino and Ian Van Sice – All sing the chorus!	Dave Mallett
<b>Reflection, part 1</b>	<i>Reconnecting with Our Deep Gladness</i>	Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones
<b>Invitation to Share</b>		Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones
<b>Music for Reflection</b>	<i>We Will Carry Each Other</i>	Soren Austenfeld
<b>Sharing</b>		
<b>Reflection, part 2</b>	<i>Returning to Love</i>	Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones
<b>Pastoral Prayer</b>		
<b>Anthem</b>	<i>I Choose Love</i>	Mark A. Miller
<b>Sharing Our Gifts</b>	Offering shared with <i>The Minister's Discretionary Fund</i>	
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>Meet Me Halfway</i>	Giorgio Moroder
<b>Gratitudes</b>		
<b>Call to Connection</b>		
<b>Singing</b>	<i>We Will Carry Each Other</i>	Soren Austenfeld
<b>Closing Words</b>	<i>How It Might Continue</i>	Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer
<b>Extinguishing Our Chalice</b>		Elizabeth Selle Jones (adapted)

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## UUCG Beyond Sunday Morning

### Events This Week

\* in-person + online ~ off-site

- \*+ **Today at 12:30pm:** *Resisting Fascism*
- \*+ **Today at 12:30pm:** *Board Meeting*
- ~ Tue., Aug. 19 at 7:00pm: *Choir Rehearsal*
- + Wed., Aug. 20 at 10:00am: *Yarns from the Heart*
- \* Thur., Aug. 21 at 6:30pm: *Music Night*
- \* Fri., Aug. 22 at 6:30pm: *QUUest D&D*
- \* Sat., Aug. 23 at 10:00am: *Open Circle-CANCELED*

### Resisting Fascism

Centered on the content of the book *On Tyranny*, by Timothy Snyder, and facilitated by Steve Babb, this program is designed to open discussion about the peril our democracy is currently facing, and where we have agency to make a difference.

### Where Does Your Happiness Come From?

"The happiness of your life depends upon the quality of your thoughts." - Marcus Aurelius

"Happiness is not something ready-made. It comes from your own actions." - Dalai Lama

"Happiness is not a destination. It is a way of travel."  
- Margaret Lee Runbeck

"Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be." - Abraham Lincoln

"Be happy for this moment. This moment is your life."  
- Omar Khayyam

"Happiness is a warm puppy." - Charles M. Schulz

"Happiness is a butterfly, which when pursued, is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you." - Nathaniel Hawthorne

"Happiness grows at our own firesides, it is not to be picked in strangers' gardens." - Douglas Jerrold

### UU Values

As Unitarian Universalists, we draw from our heritages of freedom, reason, hope, and courage, building six values with Love at the center. Inseparable from one another, these shared values are:

**Interdependence:** We honor the interdependent web of all existence.

**Pluralism:** We celebrate that we are all sacred beings, diverse in culture, experience, and theology.

**Justice:** We work to be diverse multicultural Beloved Communities where all thrive.

**Transformation:** We adapt to the changing world.

**Generosity:** We cultivate a spirit of gratitude and hope.

**Equity:** We declare that every person is inherently worthy and has the right to flourish with dignity, love, and compassion.



### "The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."

- Frederick Buechner

A theologian and novelist, Frederick Buechner used this quote to define "vocation" in his book **Wishful thinking: A Seeker's ABCs**. He suggested this is the intersection of one's personal joy and the needs of the world.

In Buechner's words, "There are all different kinds of voices calling you to all different kinds of work, and the problem is to find out which is the voice of God rather than of society, say, or the superego, or self-interest. The kind of work God usually calls you to is the kind of work (a) that you need to do and (b) that the world needs to have done. If you find your work rewarding, you have presumably met requirement (a), but if your work does not benefit others, the chances are you have missed requirement (b). On the other hand, if your work does benefit others, you have probably met requirement (b), but if most of the time you are unhappy with it, the chances are you have not only bypassed (a) but probably aren't helping your customers much either. Neither the hair shirt nor the soft berth will do. The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's hunger meet."