

Paying Attention To History

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Sunday, March 29th, 2026

Prelude	<i>Holy Manna/ Bunesan</i> Performed by Ian Van Sice	William Moore/ Gaelic Traditional Melody
Singing #1053	<i>How Could Anyone</i>	Libby Roderick
Welcome and Centering		Bill Benshoof
Call to Worship and Chalice Lighting	<i>We Practice Being Called</i>	Samantha Lynne Wilson
Wonder Box Wisdom	<i>“The Power of Cooperation”</i>	Bill Benshoof
New Hymn	<i>This We Believe</i>	David Haas
Reflection	<i>So That All May Bloom</i>	Britt Parris
Anthem	<i>Freedom To Obey</i> Performed by Samer Sabbagh & Sweet MUUsic	Samer Sabbagh
Homily	<i>Truth and Dignity in a Liminal Time</i>	Bill Benshoof
Meditation	<i>Prayer For Attention to Ourselves</i>	Rev. Michelle Collins
Singing #1008	<i>When Our Heart is In a Holy Place</i>	Joyce Poley
Sharing Our Gifts	Offering shared with the <i>Society of Humane Friends of GA</i>	
Offertory	<i>Bella Ciao</i>	Traditional
Gratitudes		
Call to Connection		
Singing #118	<i>This Little Light of Mine</i>	African American Spiritual
Closing Words	<i>Love Looks Different</i>	Jules Taylor
Extinguishing Our Chalice		Elizabeth Selle Jones (adapted)

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annual pledge contribution or today's plate recipient



UUCG Beyond Sunday Morning

Events This Week

* in-person, + online, ~ off-site

- * **Today at 12:30pm:** *Creating Peace Goals*
- * Tue, Mar. 31 at 6:30pm: *Choir Rehearsal*
- + Wed, Apr. 1 at 10:00am: *Yarns from the Heart*
- * Thu, Apr. 2 at 6:30pm: *Song Circle*
- * Fri, Apr. 3 at 6:30pm: *Game Night*
- * Sat, Apr. 4 at 10:00am: *Tending Our Grounds*
- * Sat, Apr. 4 at 2:00pm: *CUUPs Ostara Ritual*

Faith Formation Hour No Programming

There will not be any Faith Formation Hour programming today. Please check the UUCG website's Calendar of Events page for information regarding upcoming event.

“Those who cannot remember the past...”

“...are condemned to repeat it.” This famous adage is most commonly credited to philosopher George Santayana in his work, *The Life of Reason: The Phases of Human Progress*.

In Vol. I, *Reason in Common Sense*, he states that, “Progress, far from consisting in change, depends on retentiveness. When change is absolute there remains no being to improve and no direction is set for possible improvement: and when experience is not retained, as among savages, infancy is perpetual. Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.”

It suggests that studying history is crucial to avoid repeating mistakes, particularly in politics and societal

conflicts. Some argue that knowing history is not enough, as humans often fail to apply lessons correctly. Learning from history requires active understanding rather than just memorization.

This famous statement has produced many variants, such as:

- Those who cannot learn from history are doomed to repeat it.
- Those who do not remember their past are condemned to repeat their mistakes.
- Those who fail to learn from the mistakes of their predecessors are destined to repeat them.
- Those who do not know history's mistakes are doomed to repeat them.

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.



Historic Moments That Had a Global Impact

- **The Rule of Ashoka (268–232 BCE):** Promoted peace and expanded Buddhism throughout South Asia.
- **The Renaissance (14th–16th Century):** Marked a profound revival in art, culture, and science, ending the Middle Ages.
- **The Age of Discovery (1492):** Initiated permanent contact between Europe and the Americas, reshaping world trade and culture.
- **The Industrial Revolution (1760–1840):** Shifted economies from agrarian to industrial, fostering rapid technological advancements.
- **The French Revolution (1789–1799):** Abolished the French monarchy, spread democratic ideals, and unleashed radical change across Europe.
- **The Meiji Restoration (1868):** Rapidly modernized Japan into a leading industrial power.
- **First World War (1914–1918):** Destroyed several major empires and redrew the map of Europe and the Middle East.
- **The Great Depression (1929–1939):** A worldwide economic crash that influenced political instability and the rise of totalitarian regimes.
- **Second World War (1939–1945):** The deadliest conflict in history, resulting in the Holocaust and the emergence of the US and USSR as superpowers.
- **Apollo 11 Moon Landing (1969):** Marked a pinnacle in technology and human exploration.
- **Fall of the Berlin Wall (1989):** Symbolized the end of the Cold War and the reunification of Europe.