

Love Me When I'm Gone

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Sunday, August 2nd, 2026

Prelude	<i>Down By the Schoolyard I Don't Want to Walk Without You</i>	Paul Simon Jule Styne
Singing #38	<i>Morning Has Broken</i>	Eleanor Farjean/Gaelic Melody
Welcome and Centering		Ian Van Sice
Call to Worship	<i>Right Here, Right Now</i>	Ella Boyer
Chalice Lighting	<i>For Our Ancestors, for Our Children, for Ourselves</i>	Jennifer "Jaye" Brooks
Wonder Box Wisdom	<i>I Wonder</i>	Annaka Harris
Singing #94	<i>What is This Life?</i>	Henry Davies/Alexander N. Johnson
Blessing of the Backpacks	<i>Ritual of New Beginnings</i>	Christiana McQuain
Anthem	<i>We're Going to be Friends</i>	Jack White
Homily	<i>When I'm Gone</i>	Ian Van Sice
Music For Reflection	<i>Remember When</i>	Alan Jackson
Prayer and Meditation	<i>All That We Have Been, All That We Will Become</i>	Leslie Ahuvah Fails
Singing #181	<i>No Matter if You Live Now Far or Near</i>	Words from the Sutta Nopata/Old Indian Song (Harmony by Frédéric Mathil)
Sharing Our Gifts	Offering shared with <i>Worthy Now Prison Ministry</i>	
Offertory	<i>If Tomorrow Never Comes</i>	Kent Blazy & Garth Brooks
Gratitudes		
Call to Connection		
Singing	<i>We Belong to One Another</i>	Amanda Udis-Kessler/ John Wyeth
Closing Words	<i>Changes Abound</i>	Michelle Collins
Extinguishing Our Chalice		Elizabeth Selle Jones (adapted)

+Our plate is shared 50/50 with the quarterly plate recipient and UUCG.
Please make checks payable to UUCG and indicate on the memo line if the check is for your
annual pledge contribution or today's plate recipient



UUCG Beyond Sunday Morning

Events This Week

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

- * **Today at 12:30pm:**
- *+ Mon, Aug 3 at 6:30pm:
- * Tue, Aug 4 at 7:00pm:
- *+ Wed, Aug 5 at 10:00am:
- * Sat, Aug 9 at 9:00am:

Monthly Potluck Lunch

Alphabet SoUUp

Choir Rehearsal

Yarns from the Heart

UUCG Men's Group

Faith Formation Hour

OWL Parent/Guardian Orientation

If you are interested in registering your age 12-14 child to participate in this fall's cycle of OWL, please plan to attend this gathering with other parents and our OWL facilitators. Even if you have not yet registered or are in discernment, this meeting will be an opportunity to review the curriculum and get any questions you may have answered.



A new school
year means a
new beginning.

Unlock your potential and make it extraordinary!

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.



Small Ways to Show Someone You Care

excerpted from healthy.kaiserpermanente.org

Respond to “bids”: our loved ones will often make “bids” for our attention throughout the day, like, “Want to see what I made during art class?” or “Take a look at this cute cat video.” These seemingly small interactions can let our loved ones know we truly care about what’s important to them.

Practice mindfulness: when you spend time with loved ones, make a point to limit interruptions. Put down your tablet or phone, and focus on staying present. Show up on time, actively listen, and avoid multitasking.

Lend a hand: we all need extra help from time to time — and that's OK. You can show someone you care by offering to help when you think they might be struggling.

Express gratitude: showing appreciation can make people feel good about what they do. Expressing gratitude can remind you both of the positive parts of your lives.

Celebrate success: When someone you love accomplishes a goal, be their personal cheerleading squad. Take time to celebrate their success and show interest in their life. The other person will feel empowered by your support.

Spend time together: Sharing moments together can make you both feel closer and more connected. The activity itself doesn't matter — what matters is how the time spent together makes you feel.

Just be there: Listen to someone vent, be a shoulder to cry on, or hold their hand if they're going through a tough time. These are all ways you can show compassion. Even if you don't know the right words to say, by just being there, you let the other person know how much they matter to you.