

## The Seven Principles of Unitarian Universalism

We covenant to affirm and promote:

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

### ***Proposed 8th Principle:***

- Journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.

– OUR MISSION –

*To be a religious community guided by love,  
transforming our lives and our world.*

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*Open Arms • Open Minds • Open Hearts*

**Sunday, August 29, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.**

## **“Connection Across Distance”**

Worship Leader: Rev. Andrew Frantz

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### **\*Opening Song**

#360 "Here We Have Gathered"

### **Land Acknowledgement**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Chalice Lighting**

"Saved"

- Theresa Novak

### **Blessing of UUFCM Board of Trustees**

### **Time for All Ages**

### **Sharing of Joys and Sorrows**

### **Meditation and Prayer**

### **Song**

#123 "Spirit of Life"

*Spirit of Life, come unto me.*

*Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.*

*Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;*

*move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.*

*Roots hold me close; wings set me free;*

*Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me*

### **Reading**

"Thin Places"

- John Crossley Morgan

### **\*Hymn**

#301 "Touch the Earth, Reach the Sky"

### **Sermon**

"Connection Across Distance"

### **Offering**

### **Chalice Extinguishing**

Please read together:

*We extinguish this flame  
but not the light of truth,  
the warmth of community,  
or the fire of commitment.  
These we carry in our hearts  
until we are together again.*

### **\*Benediction**

And together, each of us,  
small fragments of a great whole,  
make the world.  
But, no one is really alone,  
even if they feel lonely.  
All of us are together, different,  
yet woven intricately into the whole.

- Mark Belletini

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*\*Please rise as you are willing and able.*

Sunday, September 5, 2021

**Water Ingathering**