

All water is one water, shape-shifting as it goes on and on in its unending cycle.

~ Mel Hoover** & Rose Edington**

Another Look at Water and Water Communion

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ♦ Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
 - ♦ Call to Community
- by ChatGpt
- ♦ Prelude/Candles of Community/Giving
 - Sing the Water Song*
 - by Irene Wawatie Jerome; Recorded with permission from the Wawatie and Commanda Families and the Circle of All Nations Foundation and Elders
- ♦ Chalice Lighting
 - by ChatGpt
- ♦ Spoken Affirmation
 - Love is the spirit of this church and service is its law.*
 - This is our great covenant to dwell together in peace,*
 - To seek truth in freedom and to help one another.*
- ♦ Lighting the Peace Candle

EXPANDING OUR UNDERSTANDING

- ♦ Opening Thought
 - by ChatGpt
- ♦ Reading
 - All Water Is One Water*
 - by Mel Hoover** & Rose Edington**
- ♦ Song
 - Bridge Over Troubled Water*
 - by Simon & Garfunkel | Video by Young Pilgrim Music

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ♦ Practices - *with words, stillness, music*
 - Words by ChatGpt
 - Stillness Quiet Sitting for a Time*
 - Musical response *One Minute Giving* composed and performed by Dan Althoff
- ♦ Water Communion Ritual
 - by ChatGpt
 - Music for the Ritual
 - The Fiver is Flowing*
 - native American Indian Folk Song | video by MUKHTAR

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

- ♦ Song 1007
 - There's a River Flowing in my Soul*
 - by Rose Sander | performed by Bob Ford & Melissa Barlett from UU Church of Utica NY
- ♦ Discourse
 - We Are the River*
 - by ChatGpt

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- ♦ Giving
 - Bringing our gifts to the table*
 - Words By ChatGpt
 - Offertory: *Carolyn's Interlude* written & performed by Dan Althoff*
- ♦ Song
 - The River*
 - by Garth Brooks; video by Rusty Rhoad, Northwoods UU Church, Spring TX
- ♦ Benediction
 - by ChatGpt
- ♦ Extinguishing the Chalice
 - We extinguish these flames 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.*
- ♦ Postlude
 - A Short Beautiful Piano Piece*
 - Improv by Jervy Hou

*a Unitarian Universalist | **a Unitarian Universalist minister

PROGRAM NOTES

We welcome to our free pulpit ChatGpt, a generative pre-trained transformer to create text, speech, and images on a freemium model. It provided today's readings and discourse. The worship team hopes you will share feedback using the QR code on the program cover, or the printed survey form on the counter in the lobby to offer your feedback.

The cover image was CoPilot.

WHO'S DOING WHAT THIS MORNING

- ♦ September board representative: *Jack*
- ♦ Greeting us at the door: *Doug Strong*
- ♦ Worship Associate: *Marla Loturco*
- ♦ AV crew: *Carole Harner, Jim Holmes, Liz Rapp*
- ♦ R.E. leader: *Jack*
- ♦ Caring Circle: *Susie Norris*

WELCOME VISITORS

We are Unitarian Universalists. We are brave, curious, and compassionate thinkers and doers. We are people from many backgrounds who have different beliefs, but shared values.

Grounded in more than two hundred years of thoughtful, spiritual communities, we are people of many generations, ethnicities, genders and sexualities, and spiritual backgrounds. People engaged in making the world a better place. People focusing on what really matters - love, justice, integrity, and hope.

We are a lay-led congregation. Lay-led congregations have no minister which means members of the congregation manage the various aspects of our church life. Unitarian Universalism has a proud tradition of lay-led churches. We have different beliefs, but shared values.

We are Unitarian Universalists, and at the same time we may be Muslim, pagan, atheist, believers in God, and those who just let the great mystery be. The diversity of beliefs you'll find in our church community is one of our strengths - we're always learning how to see the world from a distinct perspective.

Learn more about us at your leisure by downloading our mobile app 'Red River UU' from Google Play or the Apps Store (or use the QR code below.) This is who we are. We are glad you joined us today because all of who you are is welcome here.

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

10 am - Adult Forum

The Long Strange Trip – 2000 Years of UU History

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

Living in Exile

The Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies, *leading*

Millions of us in the United States are living in a kind of exile in our own land - an exile that oppressed groups in our country have experienced for centuries, an exile from economic justice and political power, an exile from safety and security for our lives, an exile from justice and true freedom.

12:15 pm - Conversations & Calories

Everyone is always warmly invited to linger following the morning assembly to enjoy some food for thought as well as some munchies for the belly.

The Morning Program

WATER COMMUNION SUNDAY,

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

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