

We welcome everyone. Our Unitarian Universalist community seeks truth and deeper meaning, pursues justice through inspired action, and cultivates compassion and love for all connected by the web of life. *Mission statement, adopted May 18, 2014*

Programs for Children and Youth:

Sunday, May 11th:

- Child Care (Nursery/Toddler) Room 22 opens for drop-off at 9:45.
- PreK 4- Grade 4 meets in Room 24/25 after the story in service.
- Neighboring Religions (5th-8th) meets in B1 after the story in service, parents/caregivers are invited to join them around 11 (after service ends) for a celebration of all this group has done!
- Youth Group (9th-12th) meets in B8 after the story in service.

If you are visiting or new to Albany UU, please accompany your child/children to their group to leave contact info with our volunteers. Registration forms are available in the lobby if you'd like to sign up.

Pickup is at 11:15, except for high school age kids who are released on their own.

Interested in helping out? Questions about the program? Email Elizabeth Baldes, Director of Programs for Children & Youth, at ebaldes@albanyuu.org.

Unitarian Universalist Association Bylaws: Article II Section C-2.2. Values and Covenant

As Unitarian Universalists, we covenant, congregation-to-congregation and through our Association, to support and assist one another in our ministries. We draw from our heritages of freedom, reason, hope, and courage, building on the foundation of love.

Love is the power that holds us together and is at the center of our shared values. We are accountable to one another for doing the work of living our shared values through the spiritual discipline of love.

Albany Unitarian Universalist

Rev. Ann Kadlecsek, Interim Minister

Elizabeth Baldes, Director of Programs for Children and Youth

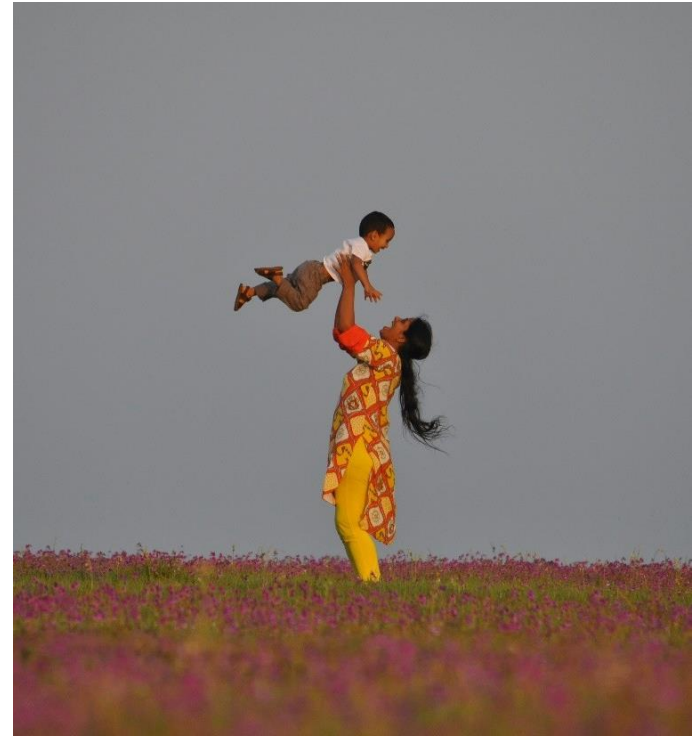
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Handle With Care: Reflections on Mother's Day

Rev. Ann Kadlecsek

with Dawn Dana, Worship Associate

Albany Unitarian Universalist

Sunday, May 11, 2025

10:00 AM

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Gathering Music Olga Martinez, Director of Music Ministry

Announcements Dawn Dana, Worship Associate

Ringling of the Chime

Welcome

Congregational Greeting

Prelude *Shelter Me* by Lea Morris

Chris Milkins & Olga Martinez

Call to Community Rev. Ann Kadlecek

Opening Hymn #299 *Make Channels for the Streams of Love*

Chalice Lighting The Torres Family

Adapted from Elizabeth Mount

A flame cannot be lit
without a spark,
a life cannot begin
without the air,
And we cannot begin
to find ourselves
without love.
We light this chalice
for the love
that guides us
to ourselves.

Story Elizabeth Baldes, Dir. Programs for Children & Youth
Bloom by Anne Booth & Robyn Wilson-Owen, Adapted

Singing the Children Out *As You Leave This Friendly Place*

Joys and Sorrows Anny Lapinski & Jim Chicoine

Sung Response #123 *Spirit of Life*

Worship Associate Reflection Dawn Dana

Reading *Shoulders* by Naomi Shihab Nye

Sermon Rev. Ann Kadlecek

Musical Reflection *El Becerrito* by Simón Díaz
Olger Rivera & Olga Martinez

Offering Dawn Dana

Offertory Olga Martinez

Benediction Rev. Ann Kadlecek

Hymn #131 *Love Will Guide Us*

Chalice Extinguishing

*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.*

*Flowers for this service were donated by Al DeSalvo
~ In memory of my parents, my brother,
and my wife, Susan Thompson ~*

Musicians and other service leaders are grateful for your appreciation. However, we ask that you refrain from audible applause during the service. Thank you!