

aWe 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 6/22 began summer programming for children & youth, which will run through **8/31**. PreK and older children can be dropped off by their grownup before or during service for supervised craft and play time upstairs in Room 24/25. For our youngest friends, the Nursery/Toddler Room 22 is available for families to use, but is not staffed and parents and caregivers provide supervision for their own little ones.

Please check in with the PCY staff person in Room 24/25 if you have any questions on Sunday morning.

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 Kadlecek, Interim Minister

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Can We Restore Enough Community to Survive as a Church and a Country?

Debbie & Peter Brown

Albany Unitarian Universalist

Sunday, August 17, 2025

10:00 AM

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Gathering Music Veronica Allen, Musician

Announcements Debbie Brown, Worship Associate

Ringling of the Chime

Welcome

Congregational Greeting

Prelude Veronica Allen
La Marseillaise by Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle

Call to Community Debbie Brown

Opening Hymn #1021 Lean on Me

Chalice Lighting

We gather this hour as people of faith
With joys and sorrows, gifts and needs.
We light this beacon of hope,
Sign of our quest for truth and meaning,
In celebration of the life we share together.

Joys and Sorrows Randy Rosette
Sung Response #123 Spirit of Life

Reading Debbie Brown
My Parting Prescription for America
by Dr. Vivek Hallegere Murthy

Sermon/Reflection Peter Brown

Moment of Silence

Offering Debbie Brown
Offertory *Baby Steps*
Composed and Performed by Veronica Allen

Benediction Peter Brown

Closing Hymn #318 We Would Be One

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.*

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