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**

Child Care (Nursery/Toddler) opens for dropoff at 9:45 today in Room 22. Other groups will not be meeting so all can attend the service of remembrance at 10AM led by Rev. Ann and Elizabeth, which will close with a Halloween costume parade. The parade will lead us into a specially-themed Halloween Coffee Hour hosted by the Programs for Children & Youth Council and Suddenly Adults Swarming, Albany UU's young adults group. Activities and treats will be available for all to enjoy.

Please bring your costume, just before the service ends there will be a quick opportunity of about 4 minutes to leave Community Hall to put it on, then return for the parade!

If you are interested in helping out, or you would like to ask about our programs, please email the Director of Programs for Children & Youth at dre@albanyuu.org.

### **Worship Theme for October: Covenant**

#### **Albany Unitarian Universalist**

Rev. Ann Kadlecek, Interim Minister Elizabeth Baldes, Director of Programs for Children and Youth Olga Martinez, Director of Music Ministry Sophia Garder, Administrator Ben Warner, Tech Support

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### We Remember

Rev. Ann Kadlecek Randy Rosette, Service Assistant

### **Albany Unitarian Universalist**

Sunday, October 26, 2025 10:00 AM

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**Gathering Music** 

**Announcements** Randy Rosette, Service Assistant

**Coffee Hour Connection** Prog. for Children & Youth Council & Suddenly Adults Swarming

**Ringing of the Chime** 

Welcome Randy Rosette

**Congregational Greeting** 

**Hymn** #354 We Laugh, We Cry (Verses 1 & 3)

**Call to Community & Chalice Lighting** Rev. Ann Kadlecek

We light this chalice For love and loss, And all who have passed Into Mystery.

Hymn #389 Gathered Here

**Joys and Sorrows** Sharon Babala & Frank Traynor

**Sung Response** #123 Spirit of Life

**Story** Rev. Ann Kadlecek *The Tenth Good Thing About Barney* by Judith Viorst

Music We Shall Remember Albany UU Choir Music by Mishaal Surti, Words by Justin Zadorsky

#### **Ritual of Remembrance**

Rev. Ann Kadlecek & Elizabeth Baldes, Dir. of Programs for Children & Youth

Grief and Love by Sarina Partridge Albany UU Choir

Musical Reflection Joy in the Morning by Adam Podd

Reading Downpour by Billy Collins

**Reflection** Rev. Ann Kadlecek

**Brief Silence** 

**Offering** Randy Rosette

**Offertory** Olga Martinez, Director of Music Ministry

**Hymn** *When the Saints Go Marching In*Negro Spiritual, arr. by Stephen Key

### **Benediction & 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 are given by Debbie and Peter Brown.

~ In memory of our beloved son-in-law Scot Hindall, husband of our daughter Kathryn Hindall. His death has left a huge void in our family's lives. ~

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

Thank you!

## Share the Plate with the FOCUS Food Pantry in October

This month, Albany UU will share half of the collection plate with **the FOCUS Interfaith Food Pantry**.

Last year, **the FOCUS Food Pantry served 4,190 households** from its site at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 275



State Street. The Food Pantry offers a 6-day supply of food to Albany families and is open Monday through Friday mornings as well as the last Saturday of the month.

FOCUS is supported by six "covenant congregations" as well as 9 affiliates. As an

affiliate, Albany UU has supported the FOCUS Food Pantry since at least 1977. We will share the plate with FOCUS during three different months in the coming year.

Your contribution made by cash, text, online or by check made out to Albany UU will be split between Albany UU and FOCUS, unless you tell us otherwise. If you want your entire check to go towards your annual pledge, write "pledge" on the memo line. If you want your entire check to go to FOCUS,



write "all to FOCUS" on the memo line.

Learn more about the FOCUS Food Pantry at <a href="https://www.focuschurches.net/interfaith-food-pantry">www.focuschurches.net/interfaith-food-pantry</a>

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, OCT. 26TH:

#### From Programs for Children & Youth:

Albany UU's Programs for Children & Youth could use a few more volunteers to serve as substitute guides this year. If you have ever thought about working with children and youth this is a great opportunity to try it out! Volunteers are supported in their work by Programs for Children and Youth staff and the time commitment for this role is minimal. Contact Elizabeth Baldes, Director of Programs for Children and Youth for more info.

#### From the Congregational Life Team:

#### It's Coming! Soups, Pies and Crafts

We are thrilled to announce the return of our In-Person **Soup/Pie and Craft Sale!!** Your favorite homemade Soups and Pies will be available for sale in Channing Hall on Sunday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> and Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> after the service. Also, on Dec 7<sup>th</sup>, select wonderful handmade crafts and gifts to bring home for all ages for the holidays. Watch for more details as it gets closer.

#### From The Democracy Crisis Response Team:

A forum entitled "Are Elections Rigged?" will be presented on Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30 AM in Community Hall. All are welcome. The forum will address election machinery and methods - how they are supposed to work, how they can be corrupted to alter the vote, and how we can protect against that corruption. You can hear the story of 2024 post-election audits in Rensselaer County and efforts since then to hold the State Board of Elections accountable.

#### From the Congregational Life Team:

Calling All Pie Crust Makers!

Are you a pie maker? We are looking for a few good volunteers to make pie crusts for our annual pie sale. We will provide the recipe and pie tins. You provide the ingredients and labor. Pie crusts can be made whenever is convenient for you but must be finished by Nov 5<sup>th</sup> because that is when we assemble the pies. (They can be frozen until the 4<sup>th</sup>) Contact Sandy Stone or Barb Manning.

#### From Tech Support:

#### Tech Training November 1, 11:00 AM

Would you like to learn to provide tech support for Sunday services? We're looking for a few more people to provide this critical service on occasional Sundays. No prior experience with sound or video equipment is needed – you'll be given written instructions, in-person training on Nov 1, and further support from Ben Warner (Tech Support Staff Person) as you gain practice. With questions, or to learn more, contact Ben Warner at bwarner@albanyuu.org or in person on a Sunday morning. Please RSVP with Sophia Garder (sgarder@albanyuu.org) so we can provide you with materials ahead of time. And then please join us in Community Hall at 11:00 AM on Saturday Nov. 1!

## When the Saints Come Marching In

Traditional Negro Spiritual, Arranged Stephen Key

Oh, when the Saints go marching in, Oh, when the Saints go marching in, Oh, how I want to be in that number, When the Saints go marching in.

And when the sun begins to shine, And when the sun begins to shine, Oh, how I want to be in that number, When the Saints go marching in.

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# Joy in the Morning

Music and Words by Adam Podd

We find strength in each other Strength in each other Strength in each other In each other, we find strength

There is love all around us
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All around us there is love.

We find hope in our children
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We'll find joy in the mornin'
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