

Loved Into Being

“Exclusion is derived from fear, ignorance, and power, whilst inclusion is derived from love, compassion, and respect.” —Michelle Emson

Welcome Song “Whoever You Are, We Welcome You” Hal Walker
Whoever you are, we welcome you.
Wherever you come from, we welcome you.
Whomever you love, we welcome you.

Welcome Martha McGovern, worship leader

Acknowledging Native Lands

Prelude “O Love That Will Not Let Me Go” by Albert Lister Peace;
Randall Kidder, pianist

Chalice Lighting Fred Rogers

Responsive Reading “We Answer the Call of Love” Julia Corbett-Hemeyer

In the face of hate, **We answer the call of love.**
In the face of exclusion, **We answer the call of inclusion.**
In the face of homophobia, **We answer the call of LGBTQ rights.**
In the face of racism, **We answer the call of justice for all races.**
In the face of xenophobia, **We answer the call of pluralism.**
In the face of misogyny, **We answer the call of women’s rights.**
In the face of demagoguery, **We answer the call of reason.**
In the face of religious intolerance, **We answer the call of diversity.**
In the face of narrow nationalism, **We answer the call of global community.**
In the face of bigotry, **We answer the call of open-mindedness.**
In the face of despair, **We answer the call of hope.**
As Unitarian Universalists, we answer the call of love—**Now more than ever.**

Time for All Ages *Madam Modifuss* as told by Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray

Sending Song “Go Now in Peace” Natalie Sleeth, words and music

Go now in peace. Go now in peace.
May the spirit of love surround you
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.

Collection of Offerings

Offertory “Our World Is One World” Cecily Taylor

Reflection *Issues of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Church, Work, Community, and Family Settings* Diana Bonnell and Elizabeth West

Closing Words Andres Tapia

Announcements Please read statements of gratitude and announcements below, and watch for the Weekly Update via email on Tuesday.

Facebook Live ends

Joys and Sorrows (Zoom participants are invited to share, too.)

Relocating the Chalice to social hall for small group discussion

Official Coffee Hour will start at noon-ish. (Coffee will be available as you migrate downstairs and settle in.)

Closing of Discussions / Extinguishing Chalice

*** **Welcome! We’re glad you’re here!** ***

Thanks to our childcare staff, **Owen Cejka, Lela Erb, and Levi Weppler**; our tech crew, **Mike Bailey, Ralph Olander, and Meabh (Maeve) Daly**; our Design & Decoration team, led by **Jane Tumas Serna**; our Coffee Hour volunteers, **Cathy Rees, Ron Rees, Beth Lepore, and Nancy Luthy**; today’s host, **Betsy Kalter**, and greeter, **Rileigh Trembly**; our pianist, **Randall Kidder**; our worship leader, **Martha McGovern**; and our guest speakers, **Diana Bonnell and Elizabeth West**.

If you would like to learn more about membership or participation in FUUSM congregational life, please speak to today’s host, Betsy.

Announcements

Today

- **Small-group discussions** in the social hall.
- **Noonish: Coffee hour!** Social hall. Ends at 1 p.m.
- 12:30-ish p.m., **Green Sanctuary Committee** meeting, RE parlor.

Monday, February 17: Presidents Day; FUUSM Office closed.

Tuesday, February 18

- 3:30–6:30 p.m., Girl Scout Troop meets in the social hall.
- 6:30 p.m., Shari Ballantyne's **game night**, social hall. You're invited!

Wednesday, February 19

- 6 p.m., **Men's Group potluck**, social hall. George Banziger will host.

Friday, February 21

- 5–10 p.m. , **Chili dinner and home-grown entertainment**, a FUUSM fundraiser sponsored by our Finance Committee. \$12 per adult, children free; wine \$2 per glass; bring your banjo, bagpipes, tuba, or tap shoes, and entertain us for 10 minutes! **Please let Shari Ballantyne or Nancy Lee know if you plan to attend.**

Saturday, February 22

- 9:30-10:30 a.m., Tai Chi for beginners, social hall (Darryl Ting).

Sunday, February 23

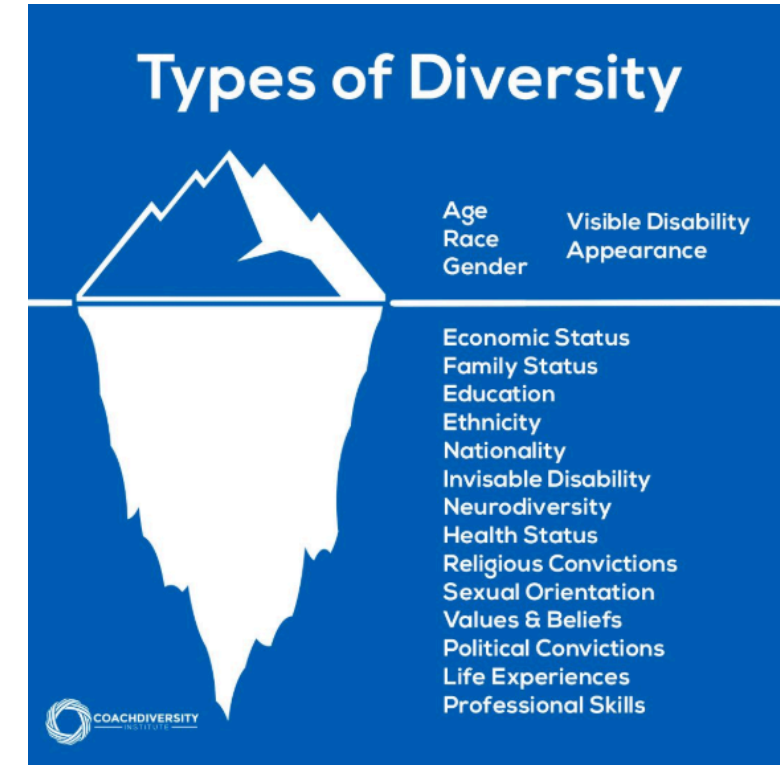
- 9:30 a.m., **Choir practice**, sanctuary.
- 11 a.m., **Sunday service**, sanctuary.
- 11 a.m., Quaker meeting (MOV Friends), RE parlor.
- **Coffee hour!** Social hall. Ends at 1 p.m.

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Sunday, February 16, 2025

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