

“Whatever our gift, we are called to give it
and to dance for the renewal of the world.”

—Robin Wall Kimmerer from *Braiding Sweetgrass*

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

Welcome Adeline Bailey, worship leader

Prelude “Mother Earth, Beloved Garden” words & music by Amanda Udis-Kessler;
#1067 in *Singing the Journey*, performed by the **FUUSM choir** under the
direction of **Martha Webster**, who also arranged the music

Chalice Lighting Excerpt from *Braiding Sweetgrass*, by Robin Wall Kimmerer

Opening Words NipMuc prayer recited by Ami Rush

***Opening Hymn #404, “What Gift Can We Bring”** words & music: Jame Marshall
in *Singing the Living Tradition*

Time for All Ages “The Three Sisters,” excerpt from *Braiding Sweetgrass*
by Robin Wall Kimmerer

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 Praise We Give for Harvests Earned” music by Percy Carter Buck;
#294 in *Singing the Living Tradition* Randall Kidder, pianist

Reflection *Seeking Wisdom from Indigenous Peoples* from
Braiding Sweetgrass: “The Honorable Harvest,” Adeline Bailey
“*Wisgaak Gokpenagen: A Black Ash Basket*,” Cindy Taylor;
“The Sacred and the Superfund,” Dawn Hewitt

***Closing Hymn #402, “From You I Receive”** words and music:
in *Singing the Living Tradition* Joseph and Nathan Segal

Announcements

Postlude “We Lift Our Hearts in Thanks” *Harmoniae Hymnorum Scholae Gorlicensis*;
#255 in *Singing the Living Tradition* Randall Kidder pianist
Facebook Live ends

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

Extinguishing the Chalice from *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer

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

Thanks to our childcare staff, **Owen Cejka** and **Lela Erb**; our tech crew, **Mike Bailey** and **Ralph Olander**; our Design & Decoration team, **Martha McGovern** and **Stephanie “Squish” Thomas**; today’s collection counter, **Mike Lang**; our Coffee Hour volunteers, **Linda Lewis**, **Betsy Liller**, **Mark Krivchenia**, and **Megan Krivchenia**; today’s host, **Dawn Hewitt**, and greeters, **Joey Thomas** and **Stephanie “Squish” Thomas**; the **FUUSM Choir** and its director, **Martha Webster**; today’s worship leader, **Adeline Bailey**, and presenters, **Dawn Hewitt** and **Cindy Taylor**.

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

Announcements

Sunday, Oct. 12

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

Monday, Oct. 13: Indigenous Peoples Day; FUUSM Office closed

Tuesday, Oct. 14

- 2:30–6:30 p.m., Girl Scouts in social hall.

Wednesday, Oct. 15

- 6 p.m., ~~Men's Group potluck~~, social hall. Rescheduled for 10/22. Chris Jacobs will host.
- 4–8 p.m., Indivisible MOV sign-making event. (Lori Flis)

Saturday, Oct. 18

- 10:30 a.m., **Tai Chi reunion**, social hall.

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- 9:30 a.m., **Choir practice**, sanctuary.
- 11 a.m., **Sunday service**, sanctuary.
- **Coffee hour!** Social hall. Ends at 1 p.m.
- 12:30ish, **Green Sanctuary Committee** meeting, RE parlor.

FUUSM Affirmation

We, the members and friends of the First Unitarian Universalist Society of Marietta:

- *Support the free and disciplined search for truth as the center of religious community and encourage an acceptance of pluralistic views;*
- *Recognize our Judeo-Christian heritage as well as other traditions and seek lasting values and new insights;*
- *Affirm, defend, and promote the equality, worth, and dignity of every person;*
- *Strive for a world community of love, justice, and peace;*
- *Support the democratic process and mutual respect in all human relationships;*
- *Cherish the universe and its resources and recognize the unity of all life.*

Sunday, October 12, 2025

Seeking Wisdom From Indigenous Peoples



Tribes of Ohio, Jane Tumas Serna

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Open minds. Loving hearts. Helping hands.