UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
CHURCH OF PALO ALTO

Sunday, August 30, 2026
10:30 a.m.

"Flowing Together Again"

To have your joys and sorrows shared aloud, please fill out a card found at the Welcome Table in the entrance lobby, the small table toward the front-right of the Main Hall, or the altar. A silent candle on the altar is always welcome too. If you're online, later you'll be prompted on when to input your message in the chat box.

UUCPA Mission Statement
We gather, our different paths entwined, to deepen our spiritual lives:
Nourishing connection, learning from each other, caring for each other, tending to our world.

Events today:
Younger Adult Group: Sunday 8/30, 12:00 pm, Room 10
UUCPA Realm Attendance Workshop: Sunday 8/30, 12:00 pm, Room 9
Harmonic Circle: Sunday 8/30, 1:00 pm, McFadden Patio

This Week:
Brown Bag Books: Tuesday 9/1, 12:00 pm, Online
Resonant Reading: Wednesday 9/2, 12:00 pm, Online
By Your Side Singers – Practice: Wednesday 9/2, 7:30 pm, Hamaker Library
Choir Practice: Thursday 9/3, 7:00 pm, Main Hall
Campus Workday: Saturday 9/5, 9:00 am
Saturday Meditation: Saturday 9/5, 9:00 am, Online
Resonant Reading -Modern art-Hobsbawm: Saturday 9/5, 4:00 pm, Online

Selected Upcoming Events:
All Church Picnic – Mitchell Park: Sunday 9/13, 11:30 am, Mitchell Park, Palo Alto

Welcome and Announcements		**Autri Dutta**
Prelude	*Venetian Boat Song* op 30 No. 6 (Felix Mendelssohn)	**Veronika Agranov-Dafoe**
Centering Words/Chalice Lighting		**Rev. Peter Farriday**

Song *I've Got Peace Like a River*, No. 100 in the gray hymnal (verses 1-3, repeat 1)

Words & Music: Marvin V. Frey, 1918-1992, © 1974 Marvin V. Frey

I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul. (2x)

I've got joy like a fountain…

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I've got love like an ocean…

I've got peace like a river…

Rainstorm Meditation		**Rev. Peter Farriday** **Rev. Cat Boyle**
Story for All Ages	*Blue Boat Home* by Peter Meyer, Ill. by Sue Todd	**Rev. Cat Boyle**
Blessing the Children with Song	*Go Now In Peace* (see slide lyrics) Natalie Sleeth, 1930-1992 (lyrics adapted)	**All**

Go now in peace
Go now in peace
May the Spirit of Love surround you
Everywhere, everywhere
You may go.

Reading	*At Blackwater Pond*, Mary Oliver	**Rev. Peter Farriday**
Offering	*Melodie* op 4 No. 2 (Fanny Mendelssohn)	**Veronika Agranov-Dafoe**

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About Water Communion		**Rev. Peter Farriday**
Anthem	*Seal Lullaby (Whitacre)*	**UUCPA Choir**
Water Communion		**Rev. Cat Boyle** **Rev. Peter Farriday**
Song	*Blessed Spirit of My Life*, No. 86 in the gray hymnal Word & Music: Shelley Jackson Denham, 1950-, ©1987 Shelley Jackson Denham	

Blessed Spirit of my life, give me strength through stress and strife;
help me live with dignity; let me know serenity.

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Fill me with a vision, clear my mind of fear and confusion.
When my thoughts flow restlessly, let peace find a home in me.

Spirit of great mystery, hear the still, small voice in me.
Help me live my wordless creed as I comfort those in need.
Fill me with compassion, be the source of my intuition.
Then, when life is done for me, let love be my legacy.

Chalice Extinguishing **Rev. Cat Boyle**

Song *Blue Boat Home,* No. 1064 in the teal hymnal

Words: Peter Mayer, 1963- , ©2002 Peter Mayer Music: Roland Hugh Prichard, 1811-1187

Though below me, I feel no motion standing on these mountains and plains.
Far away from the rolling ocean still my dry land heart can say:
I've been sailing all my life now, never harbor or port have I known.
The wide universe is the ocean I travel and the earth is my blue boat home.

Sun my sail and moon my rudder as I ply the starry sea,
leaning over the edge in wonder, casting questions into the deep.
Drifting here with my ship's companions, all we kindred pilgrim souls,
making our way by the lights of the heavens in our beautiful blue boat home.

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Benediction **Rev. Peter Farriday**

Go out into the world in peace
Be of good courage
Hold fast to what is good
Return no one evil for evil
Strengthen the faint-hearted
Support the weak
Help the suffering
Rejoice in beauty
Speak love with word and deed
Honor all beings.

Postlude *Song Without Words* op 53 No. 2 (Felix Mendelssohn) **Veronika Agranov-Dafoe**

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Greeting Time

Music Director: Bruce Olstad **Pianist:** Veronika Agranov-Dafoe
Social Justice Partner of the Month: Day Worker Center of Mountain View
https://www.dayworkercentermv.org/
Worship tech and online community creation: Allie Becker, Tim Berry, Heather Chen, Paul Kostka, Stephen Ludington, Kevin Ma, Jesse Schwab.

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