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Revival Dialogs Scripts Facilitator Remarks & Videos

INCLUDING Slide Images



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How to Use These Scripts/Videos

Thank you for volunteering to facilitate your congregation's UU Climate Revival Dialogs! If you have not already done so, please sign up to attend a Revival Dialog Facilitator Training, which you can RSVP for at uuclimatejustice.org/events.

We know that some facilitators will . . .

- → read the remarks for the entire dialogs,
- → play the pre-recorded videos of the facilitation scripts
- → do some combination of both!

Whichever approach you choose, everything you need is right here! Pro-tip: playing the videos to introduce each section would be easier!

This Dialog Scripts document includes the following materials to help you hold space and conversation during your Dialogs:

- Remarks and activity directions for facilitating your dialogs
- Thumbnail images of slides that accompany verbal components
- Links to pre-recorded spoken facilitation videos if you are not going to read some/all of the script yourself

All videos of the pre-recorded video facilitation are available as a Vimeo playlist here and linked within the script in each section.

We have provided slides for you <u>here</u> to use if you decide to read the script instead of playing videos.

The content for both the scripts and videos is the same.

How this Guide is Formatted

We have formatted this guide so that you can print it out (or view on an electronic device) as is to use like an actual script during your dialogs.

If you would like to make a copy of this document to edit the formatting to better match your needs, click here to make a copy.

If you plan on printing these scripts out, we recommend that you:

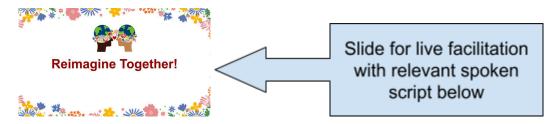
- Print on both sides to minimize paper use
- Hole punch and place the pages in a three-ring binder/folder
- Place "tabs" on pages starting each section of the dialogs to help you in case you lose your place
- Highlight or take notes on anything you want to remember
- Plan who will say or do what amongst your co-facilitators

If you need some financial assistance to print copies of these Dialogs Facilitation Scripts or to purchase materials, don't worry! The UU Climate Justice Revival has funds to support you! Complete this short form to request a minigrant.

The Dialogs Scripts in this document are formatted as follows:

Example Section Title

(Example estimated time for section)



Example Slide Title/Description

Each Pre-Recorded Facilitation Video Link will be in bold, underlined blue text, highlighted in yellow. Use these if you are not reading the script live.

★ Example Facilitator Action ★

Directions for facilitators in each section will be in red text with

★ Facilitator Action ★ above the directions. The text will be blocked out with horizontal lines above and below the section as you see here.

EXAMPLE FACILITATOR REMARKS

Spoken content for facilitators reading the section scripts live will be in blue text underneath the words "**FACILITATOR REMARKS**."

If you would like to view and/or print a version of these scripts that does not have thumbnail images of the slides, you can find that version here.

Faithful Grounding and Intention

(Estimated time for this portion is 24 Minutes)



Opening Slide

Pre-Recorded Facilitation Video Link

"We Are A Part Of It" UU Climate Justice Revival Anthem (Music Video)

★ Facilitator Action ★

Play "We Are A Part of It" Music Video

If using pre-recorded facilitation videos, the music video begins the "Faithful Grounding & Intentions" recorded facilitation video.



"We Are a Part of It" Video Slide

Alternative Direct Video Link (if not using pre-recorded facilitation videos):

UU Climate Justice Revival Commissioned Song: Part of It

Chalice Lighting



Chalice Lighting Video Slide

★ Facilitator Action ★:

Continue playing video if using pre-recorded facilitation videos OR

Pause Video & Read Chalice lighting using script below if facilitating live.

FACILITATOR REMARKS

We start this unprecedented national Unitarian Universalist Climate Revival with the words of Tony Morrison, who said,

"It's not possible to constantly hold on to crisis. You have to have the love. You have to have the magic. That's also life."

Our sacred holy work begins with the breath of fire. So let's light our chalice, the flame of our heritage. May it ignite for us love and magic!"

Call to Commitment (UUA & UUSC Video)



"Call to Commitment" Video Slide

★Facilitator Action ★:

Continue playing video if using pre-recorded facilitation videos **OR Skip to 4:23** in "Faithful Grounding & Intentions" <u>video</u> if facilitating live.

Speakers

Rev. Dr. Sofía Betancourt

President, Unitarian Universalist Association

Rev. Mary Katherine Morn

President & Lead Executive Officer, Unitarian Universalist Service Committee

Alternative Direct Video Link (if not using pre-recorded facilitation videos):

Call to Commitment from the UUA & UUSC

Welcome



Welcome Title Slide

★ Facilitator Action ★

Continue video of this section if using pre-recorded facilitation OR Stop Video & start slides for this section and read the script below.

FACILITATOR REMARKS

Welcome friends to the first-ever UU Climate Justice Revival!



Congratulations! Slide

Congratulations! Your congregation is joining thousands of UUs in over 370 UU congregations for the UU Climate Justice Revival! Over **35**% of our denomination is reimagining together.

Our congregation is part of something big. Something historic. Something our denomination has never done before. Each and every one of you is a part of it. Now is our moment for Revival. Let's go!

★ Facilitator Action ★

Facilitators introduce themselves - name, pronouns, role (if applicable)

We're here to help you all dive into the UU Climate Justice Revival Dialogs.



5-Point Agenda Slide

During our time together, we will:

- Collectively Imagine Our Community Thriving
- Make Connections on the Challenging Realities
- Build Capacity with Community Care
- Chart the Course with Transformative Actions
- Nourish Relationships Through Interdependent Commitments

We will start with a collective imagining of our community thriving with a Rich Picture. We will hold this north star of our community thriving as we honestly and comprehensively map out the challenging realities we face as we work for collective liberation and a thriving community. We will then brainstorm all of the possibilities for community care to overwhelm those challenges with love, justice, compassion, and care - through meaningful, ongoing, and faithful actions. Finally, as individuals, we will consider our unique role and offerings. Answers to the questions of "What do I think my community needs?," "What brings me joy," and "What do I have to offer?" will be combined with words that will remind us where hope abides, so every one of us can each honor our commitments beyond the Revival.

As we dedicate ourselves to rich and transformative conversations today, I would like to invite you to join me in a responsive reading of our shared goals for the revival. After each goal I share, I invite you to respond with 'We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.' I will read the goal, and [co-facilitator] will lead us in the response.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Let's practice saying that together now:

All: 'We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center'



"Our congregation will join.." Slide

Leader: Our congregation is joining in spirit with thousands of UUs Reimagining Together A World Where All Communities Thrive.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"Our congregation will create..." Slide

Leader: Our congregation will create a shared vision of our community thriving to guide our actions.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"We'll collaboratively map..." Slide

Leader: We'll collaboratively map the challenging realities and possible solutions in our community.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"As an individual..." Slide

Leader: As an individual, I will clarify my priorities for action, my skills, and what brings me joy grounded in my hopes for the future with love at the center.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"Together we will create..." Slide

Leader: Together, we will create a clear list of potential actions and individual commitments to joyfully and faithfully transform our communities.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"After our Revival..." Slide

Leader: After our Revival, UUs together will breathe life into our Reimagined Futures through faithful, joyful, and impactful actions.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"What we're doing together..." Slide

Leader: What we're doing together today and how we take the work out into the world is a transformative way that we are putting LOVE at the center of our climate actions.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center. We will revisit each of these at different times today to ground us in our journey.

Community Agreements

Community Agreements

Community Agreements Slide

FACILITATOR REMARKS

We're offering the following community agreements to guide our engagement today. Take a moment to ask three volunteers to read three of these statements each. Once all of the agreements have been read, please give a thumbs up or a nod or some other indication that you will engage according to these agreements, we'll get started.

★ Facilitator Action ★

If using pre-recorded facilitation videos,

pause the recording on the Community Agreements slide and **restart** after the agreements have been read by volunteers and agreed to by all participants.

Our community agreements are:

- Respect our community.
- Bring your full self.
- Share our space.
- Speak from experience.
- Take responsibility.

- Use plain language.
- Engage with Intention.
- Honor our individual and collective dignity.
- Practice Genuine Appreciation.

★ Facilitator Action ★

If using pre-recorded facilitation videos,

unpause/resume playing the video once agreements have been read and all participants agree to observe them.



"The Revival is Intentionally Different!" Slide

The Revival dialogs are designed in a very different way. That is intentional! As we work together for collective liberation, as we work to create a world with love at the center, where all communities thrive, we can't use the same tools and mindsets that got us into this mess in the first place. As we faithfully adapt to our changing world, an attitude of curiosity, creativity, openness, and imperfection is a powerful shift.



Intentional Communication Overview Slide

The Revival is grounded in four unique approaches:

- Systems Thinking for complex problems like climate change,
- Participatory Decision-making,
- New (and Ancient) Ways of Being Together, and the
- Social Change Ecosystem Map.

And the guiding force behind all of the Revival activities is our faith, with love at the center of our actions.

One of the new (and ancient) ways of being that we're going to practice encourages us to relate to each other with care, compassion, and grace. The way we communicate, the relationships we cultivate, the trust and grace we extend each other — and ourselves — are revolutionary opportunities for change. As we model imperfection and offer grace, we practice Deep Listening, Mindful Communication, Grounded Curiosity, and Genuine Appreciation.

Intentional Communication



Deep Listening Slide

Deep Listening helps us understand other perspectives, which is critical to developing trusted relationships.

Intentional Communication



Grounded Curiosity Slide

Grounded Curiosity is asking thoughtful questions to help improve understanding and connection.

Intentional Communication



Mindful Communication Slide

Mindful Communication is clearly and thoughtfully relating your perspective or reflecting back what you've heard.

Intentional Communication



Genuine Appreciation Slide

Genuine Appreciation helps each person know they are valued for their unique contributions. Genuine Appreciation is more than a simple, "thank you." It's intentionally honoring how another has impacted you. How they've helped you understand something in a new way, how they brought you joy, provided solace, and more. It's a powerful practice that we'll use today.

Intentional Communication



Intentional Communication All Defined Slide

Take a moment to turn to your neighbor, introduce yourself, and share which one of these approaches or agreements you will especially focus on today.

Collective Imagining of Our Community Thriving

(Estimated time for this portion is 50 Minutes)



"A Collective Imagining" Slide

Pre-Recorded Facilitation Video Link

★ Facilitator Action ★

Start video of this section if using pre-recorded facilitation videos **OR Start slides** for this section and read the script below.

FACILITATOR REMARKS

Let's reimagine together! In the spirit of embracing our imagination and what our faith tells us is possible, I invite you to revisit some of our shared goals in a responsive reading. After each goal I share, I invite you to respond with 'We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.'



"Our Congregation will join..." Slide

Leader: Our congregation is joining in spirit with thousands of UUs Reimagining Together A World Where All Communities Thrive.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"Our congregation will create..." Slide

Leader: Our congregation will create a shared vision of our community thriving to guide our actions.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.

Creating a shared vision is a faithful invitation to each and every one of us to imagine a future where everyone - plants, birds, insects, humans, ecosystems, watersheds, - everyone thrives.

Grounding ourselves in the reality that we need to make significant changes by 2030 and realize Real Zero by 2050 to ensure a livable planet, we are going to challenge ourselves to not just imagine baseline survival, but an absolutely thriving, flourishing, nourishing, joyful future where everyone has what they need, with love at the center of it all.

You may think 2050 is too far out - why not focus on the next couple of years?

2050 is just far enough away that no one can know for certain what it will be like.

Imagining that distant future opens us up to a boundless space of hope and possibility.



"Imagine Collapse/Renewal" Slide

Consider: We can imagine collapse...can we imagine renewal?

This powerful imagining can provide a North star for our work, offering a constant reminder of a future that our faith calls us to fully realize.

How are we going to do this amazing thing? We're going to embrace a foundational systems thinking tool called a Rich Picture. A Rich Picture is a radically simple and powerfully transformative exercise, and it's exactly what it sounds like! You draw a picture that reflects your thoughts.

Don't worry, you don't have to draw well! You just need to express your thoughts in pictures and be able to tell someone else what the images mean. There's just one rule in a rich picture - no words!



Rev. Dr. Sofia Betancourt Rich Picture Slide

Draw stick figures! Think about symbols that indicate things like water, or danger, or buckle up! Don't try to draw a comprehensive picture. Just draw the things you want to exist in the future as they come to you.



Antoinette Scully Rich Picture Slide

If you aren't able to physically draw, you can still engage. Partner with a friend to draw a shared rich picture. If you're alone and can't physically draw, take this time to meditate on the world you want. Imagine it. Feel it in your body. What does it look like, smell like, sound like? How do people treat each other?



Dr. Rashid Shaikh Rich Picture Slide

But, if you can physically draw, please draw! Trust me, you can do it! We use a Rich Picture when we need to get out of our default thinking. When we need a more expansive, open, and creative headspace. We don't use words in rich pictures to help our brains make that shift! It's a perfect way to imagine a flourishing future! We will start with this imagining, add to it in community, and continue to hold it in our hearts and minds throughout our time together.

★ Facilitator Action ★:

If reading script live, pause the slideshow for Rich Picture Guided Meditation.

[Rich Picture Guided Meditation Script]

Take a moment now to ground yourself. Find a comfortable position and close your eyes or lower your gaze. Take a few breaths with a longer exhale each time. Release any tension you feel in your body.

Cast your mind forward to 2050. All communities flourish. Humans and ecosystems together are thriving. Everything we've ever hoped for has come true. Every policy, every plan, every action creates collective liberation. Every relationship centers love. Everyone lives in health, safety, and ease with kindness, joy, and care shaping our interactions. What can you see? Hear? Smell? Taste? Feel?

Imagine a typical day in this enchantingly beautiful world. Where do you live, work, and play? What is this ideal world like for your local watershed, the forests, the plants, the animals? The insects and pollinators? Rivers and oceans? Mushrooms, flowers, and trees?

How are the different stages of life honored? How does everyone access what they need to be fully held in care? How has our community changed now that love is at the center, defined by justice? Now that everyone has what they need to thrive?

Breathe in that world. Breathe out the relief it brings. Breathe in the peace that it holds. Breathe out the love it centers.

★ Facilitator Action ★

If reading the script live, start the slideshow again or continue playing video.

Draw a picture of our community flourishing and thriving in 2050

★ Draw your own Rich Picture
Silent Reflection - 10 minutes

★ Share your Vision

Pair and Share - 15 minutes

★ Add to the Collective Rich Picture
15 minutes & throughout the day

Rich Picture Activity Directions Slide

We'll start with each of us drawing individually our own Rich Picture for about 10 minutes. Then, you'll turn to your neighbor and take turns sharing your visions for about 15 minutes. Remembering our four communications behaviors - Deep

Listening, Grounded Curiosity, Mindful Communication, and - always, always, always, Genuine Appreciation. We'll come back to the full group after 15 minutes to share our visions and add them to our collective drawing that we can add to throughout the day.

If you're participating virtually, you'll draw your rich picture and then you'll be put into a breakout room with another person to share together. When we do our collective imagining, make sure you chime in to share what you want to add to the drawing!

Ok, so break out your papers, colored pencils, markers, crayons, or whatever, and get ready, get set, draw!

Rich Picture Activity Directions

★ Facilitator Action ★

if using pre-recorded facilitation videos, pause video.

★ Timekeeper Action ★

Sets timer for 10 minutes

You may want to play musical selections like "Build the World" by Tracy Howe, "Keep Your Heart Wide Open" by Lea Morris, and/or "If Words Were Flowers" by Curtis Harding from the <u>UU Climate Revival Playlist</u> in the background.

- At 8 minutes: "Two minutes left to draw now"
- At 9 minutes: "We're going to come back to the full group in one minute."
- At 10 minutes: Ring bell or signal time is over

Facilitator Says Aloud:

Ok, now turn to your neighbor and take turns sharing what you've imagined. Check in with each other through Grounded Curiosity - ask, how do you feel? What was that like for you? Make sure to spend the last couple of minutes sharing genuine appreciation for each other. You'll have about 15 minutes together.

★ Timekeeper Action ★

Sets timer for 15 minutes

- At 6 minutes: "The first person should be wrapping up their sharing about now."
- At 7 minutes: "The second person should start sharing."
- At 13 minutes: "Start wrapping up your sharing and move into genuine appreciation.
- At 14 minutes: "We're going to come back together in 1 minute. Make sure to offer genuine appreciation for each other!"
- At 15 minutes: Ring bell or other signal to come back to the group. "OK folks, Thank your partner and let's come back to the group!"

★ Facilitator Action ★

Invite participants to add to the Collective Imagining

Facilitator Says Aloud:

Now we will all take some time to create our Collective Imagining. On this large sheet of paper, we will each draw a part of our rich picture on this collective image. No one contribution is more important than any other - everyone's imagination is needed.

★ Facilitator Action ★

Facilitator models by describing and drawing a **simple** image from their own rich picture onto the large shared paper (even if you are a professional artist, **make** this picture as simple as possible to encourage everyone to draw. Think stick figures \bigcirc).

Then, the facilitator invites a few others to add to the collective drawing. Facilitator invites all participants to add to the drawing over break and throughout the day (for example if you need to move around, need a break, etc). Encourage everyone to draw, "even if you don't feel like you draw well!"

Facilitator offers genuine appreciation to those who have contributed to the rich picture, modeling how genuine appreciation can & will be integrated throughout the dialogs.

Making Connections on the Challenging Realities

(Estimated time for this portion is 33 Minutes)



"Making Connections on Challenging Realities" Slide

Pre-Recorded Facilitation Video Link

★ Facilitator Action ★

Start video of this section if using pre-recorded facilitation videos **OR Start slides** for this section and read the script below.

FACILITATOR REMARKS

As we hold this vision of a thriving community, we also need to **Make Connections on the Challenging Realities** of our times, our specific location, and the context of oppression in our area. In the spirit of grounding ourselves in our reality to make room for possibility, I invite you to revisit some of our shared goals in a responsive reading. Again, after each goal I share, I invite you to respond with "We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center."



"Our congregation will join.." Slide

Leader: Our congregation is joining in spirit with thousands of UUs Reimagining Together A World Where All Communities Thrive.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"Our congregation will create..." Slide

Leader: Our congregation will create a shared vision of our community thriving to guide our actions.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"We'll collaboratively map..." Slide

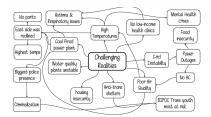
Leader: We'll collaboratively map the challenging realities and possible solutions in our community.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.

Now that we have our Shared Imagining of our Community Thriving, we have to equally ground ourselves in the challenges that keep us from realizing a flourishing world.



Challenging Realities Systems Map Slide

When we Map the Connections across different challenges, we note all of the complexity we observe without judgment. We simply map out the concerns, the realities, the challenges, the resources, the partners, the climate impacts, the threats to ecosystems, which neighborhoods are most harmed, the injustices.

Intersecting harms

Climate **in**justice has deep roots in extractive systems of harm and systemic oppression - like racism and white supremacy, capitalism and colonialism - which means climate justice is racial justice, gender justice, disability justice, mental health justice, immigration justice, LGBTQIA+ justice, Earth justice, and more.

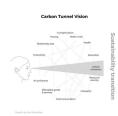
Climate change impacts all of us, but marginalized communities are hurt first and worst by climate disruption and are least resourced to adapt and respond to changing climate conditions - and that's usually by design. While climate change is a global problem, we experience specific impacts in our communities.

For example, imagine a community that has been experiencing increasingly high temperatures and grid instability. That dangerous mix of extreme heat and power outages causes many to go without power for days, meaning no air conditioning to cool down, food rotting in refrigerators, and poor air quality contributing to asthma attacks and respiratory distress. Neighborhoods that were harmed by the racist housing practices of redlining experience the hottest of hots. These same beloved communities are occupied by polluting industries that are not only the primary drivers of climate change, they also pollute the water, soil, and air. What's worse is that the water quality plants have also lost power, so access to clean water is challenging, especially for people without reliable transportation or bus routes nearby.

Now imagine that this community is in a state where our trans beloveds are no longer safe, and many trans youth, especially trans youth of color, are living on the streets, rejected by their parents. Many of the shelters segregate residents according to gender assigned at birth. This housing insecurity puts trans youth of

color at greater risk during climate disasters. Further, the state has rejected medicaid expansion which means many are without adequate healthcare, especially people with disabilities. The stress of extreme heat with no respite leads to increased mental health crises and increased violence and the criminalization and incarceration of our BIPOC friends, which further fractures families and communities.

What piece of this is just climate? Or just race? Just disability?



"Carbon Tunnel Vision" Slide

To make lasting, faithful transformation in our communities, we need to understand that climate change is a complex crisis with the same root causes as the systems of oppression we fight so hard against. Expanding our understanding of the connections between climate disruption, racism, classism, sexism, ableism, transphobia, and more is critical.

When we take a narrow focus to a complex problem like climate change, we ignore not only the interconnected challenges but we also significantly limit our possible solutions.

This image called, "Carbon Tunnel Vision" shows a person at the left looking towards the words "Sustainability Transition" with a singular focus on carbon emissions, reflected in a gray shaded area. Many other issues like poverty,

biodiversity loss, overconsumption, health, and inequality are connected with light gray lines in the background, but the person's singular focus overlooks every one of those connections. What other connections are missing? What about Racism? War? Capitalism? Immigration? Displacement?



Singular Focus Away Slide

If each one of us comes to the work of collective liberation with a singular focus, it can feel like we're not even having the same conversation. You might be waiting for someone to name what you know is so central, or mentally noting who is on your side or not.



Turning Towards Slide

The Revival is designed to break down silos that artificially separate us and diminish our ministries. We must embrace the complexity and intersectionality of our justice work because, as Audre Lorde says, "There is no such thing as a single-issue struggle because we do not live single-issue lives." We need more connections, more possibilities, more collaboration, and more transformative solutions.



Connections Slides

We need each of us to bring our hearts and minds and perspectives and lived experience and realities and brilliance into a place of connection, idea generation, and shared purpose. Now is our moment for revival. We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.

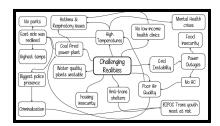
And so we encourage you to reject carbon tunnel vision or single issue justice and continuously turn towards each other. If there's an idea that you don't like, embrace curiosity, ask questions to understand. Listen to the connections others make to expand your individual, and therefore our collective, understanding. If you feel like you're getting hyperfocused on something, zoom out. Try on a few other perspectives.

Turn towards each other. Make room for possibility, ideas, and opportunity. Together, we will find the right combination of ideas and actions and hope to transform our congregations and communities through climate justice. How do we reimagine together? How do we move from an extractive age to a new era where all communities thrive? We center love.

Activity Instructions

These next two activities - mapping out the challenges and the possibilities for community care - may bring out strong emotions. Mapping the challenges can cause grief, frustration, anxiety, even anger. Similarly, as we map the possibilities for community care, you may feel a mix of joyfulness, hope, love, optimism, abundance...and also maybe competition, scarcity, and despair.

Experience those feelings. Note how the feelings live in your body. Let those feelings help you make broader connections. Be kind to yourself. Be kind to each other.



Challenging Realities Systems Map Slide

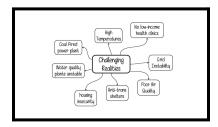
We're now going to use another systems thinking tool called the "systems map" or "mind map." Using this tool, we will first plot out everything we can think of to Make the Connections on the Challenging Realities in our community. Then, in the next activity, we will overwhelm those challenges with community care.

In small groups of 4-6, we will discuss the ways injustice of all kinds impacts people, places, animals, ecosystems, and more in our community.



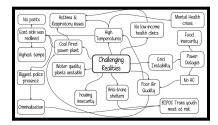
Challenging Realities at the Center Slide

In your small group, you will have a large sheet of paper. In the middle of that paper, write "Challenging Realities."



Challenging Realities + One Layer Slide

Then, write down every challenge facing your community and connect each challenge to the center.



Challenging Realities Connected Slide

Make the connections between and among each of the challenges you identify. If you get stuck, ask, what are the root causes? How does this connect to that? Who is most impacted? What don't we understand yet? Think beyond traditionally "environmental" issues, exploring harms to both people and the planet. Consider issues like watershed pollution - food insecurity - public transit - inadequate healthcare - extreme heat - chemical exposure - poor health - language barriers - labor protections - immigration - transphobia.

Expand beyond single issues to make as many connections as you can. Don't overthink it. There is no judgment here. Write each challenge down, draw a circle around it, connect it to the center circle of challenging realities, then connect each challenge to the others as appropriate. And make sure to give genuine appreciation to each other!

Making Connections on the Challenging Realities in our Community

In Small Groups (4-6) on a large sheet of paper:

- ★ Write Challenging Realities in the middle
- ★ Map out all of the Challenging Realities in our Community
 ★ Connect challenges to the center "Challenging Realities"
- ★ Connect any challenge to other challenges as you make
- connections
- ★ Think broadly no carbon tunnel vision!

Making Connections Directions Slide

We will take 20 minutes to map out the challenging realities and their connections. After we finish this first systems mapping exercise, we will have a short embodied practice to help us transition into responding to the challenging realities with every possibility we can think of that will overwhelm the problems with community care. So if you're a solutions person, hold tight, map the challenges now, and know that your time is coming!

For virtual participants: You'll be placed in small groups of 4. As you discuss the challenging realities in your community, you will each draw your own systems map.

Embodied Practice

(Estimated time for this portion is 11 Minutes)



Embodied Practice Slide

Embodied Practice Directions

Pre-Recorded Facilitation Video Link

★ Facilitator Action ★

Start video of this section if using pre-recorded facilitation videos **OR Guide participants** through this exercise using the instructions below.

NOTE: This section contains an overview of the exercise and a suggested script to help the facilitator guide the group. If you are not using the pre-recorded video, feel free to use this script as outlined or modify it to fit the needs of your community.

FACILITATOR REMARKS

We are now going to engage in an embodied practice! This activity, called "Moving for Fun and Rich Picture Echo," was written, created and presented by Canedy Knowles, and was inspired by exercises taught by George Morrison, Katt Lissard, and Rethabile Malibo.

Suggestion for Virtual Participants

The exercise can be done in-person or virtual. If done virtually, we ask that all participants select gallery view and turn on their camera if they are able.

★ Embodied Practice Directions for Live Facilitation ★

As with all these exercises, we invite people to participate as they are able. Personal movements and sounds can be modified to be accessible for all.

Begin by standing in a circle with plenty of space to move. If necessary, people can stagger. If some participants are unable to stand, then they can remain seated in chairs. A mix of seated and standing is fine.

Inner Focus/ Centering

Invite participants to close their eyes.

Invite participants to focus on their breath. Follow the inhalation and exhalation. Remind participants that if they get distracted, to gently bring focus back to the breath.

Invite participants to expand their focus to include their heartbeat.

Mental Check-in

Ask participants: How are you? Our group has been in a heavy space. Recognize how your body may be carrying that heaviness physically.

Echo Check-In (Inward):

Invite participants to, simultaneously as a group, express your personal mental and/or physical state in a sound on the count of three.

One...two...three...

[Everyone makes sound]

Invite participants to gently open eyes but keep focus inward

Invite participants to, simultaneously as a group, express your personal mental and/or physical state in a movement on the count of three.

One...two...three...

[Everyone does a movement]

Invite participants to now combine the sound and movement (or create a new one) and simultaneously express on the count of three

One...two...three...

[Everyone makes sound and does movement]

Shifting the Physical State/Moving for Fun

Begin a movement that you can repeat. Invite participants to do the movement with you.

Ask the group: "What would be more fun?"

Adjust/change your movement so it is more fun.

Ask the group: "What would be more fun?"

Adjust/Change the movement so it is more fun.

Ask the group: "What would be the most fun you could have moving right now?"

Adjust/Change the movement so it is more fun

Ask the group: "Now what would be light?"

Adjust/change the movement so it is light.

Ask the group: "Now what would be easy?"

Adjust/Change the movement so it is easy. Continue this easy movement until you are standing still.

Reconnect to the Rich Picture

Invite the group to stay in this still space.

Invite the group to close their eyes. Fill their inner experience with your rich picture from earlier.

Echo Check In (inward)

Invite participants to, simultaneously as a group, express your personal rich picture in a sound on the count of three.

One...two...three...

[Everyone makes sound]

Invite participants to gently open eyes but keep focus inward

Invite participants to, simultaneously as a group, express your personal rich picture in a movement on the count of three.

One...two...three...

[Everyone does a movement]

Invite participants to now combine the sound and movement (or create a new one) and simultaneously express on the count of three

One...two...three...

[Everyone makes sound and does movement]

Invite group to repeat their sound and movement (or create a new one) and as you do, take in your fellow participants, on the count of three.

One...two...three...

Now invite group to echo another participant's sound and movement as best as you are able or create a new one.

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One...two...three...
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Now invite group to echo another participant's sound and movement as best as you are able or create a new one.

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One...two...three...
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Now invite group to, one last time, echo another participant's sound and movement as best as you are able or create a new one.

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One...two...three...
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Ending

Share gratitude for the willingness of the group to share. Invite participants to place their hands on their hearts. Invite participants to look around the circle acknowledging one another.

Simultaneously as a group share a deep inhale and exhale.

Building Capacity for Community Care

(Estimated time for this portion is 32 Minutes)



Building Capacity for Community Care Slide

Pre-Recorded Facilitation Video Link

★ Facilitator Action ★

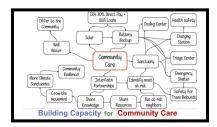
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FACILITATOR REMARKS

It is not easy work naming the many ways injustice shows up in our community, and how the different challenging realities are woven together in sometimes devastating ways. But that work - which we just did, go us! - is essential to successfully mapping out the ways we can interrupt, overwhelm, and eradicate injustice with joy and love at the center!

Just as we worked together to map out those Challenging Realities, we now get to joyfully and collaboratively Build Capacity for Community Care. By facing those Challenging Realities with our Collective Imagining of a flourishing future in our hearts, we can now shift to what is possible with a spirit of gratitude and hope. So you solutions people, now's your time to shine!

In the best case scenario, how would those challenges transform if love and justice overpowered the extractive systems of harm?



Building Capacity for Community Care Slide

We are going to similarly map out all of the many, many ways that we can overwhelm these problems with community care. If we think about the example shared earlier about extreme heat, consider how would the community transform if we put solar panels on our congregation (eligible for a 30% direct pay option through the Inflation Reduction Act) and battery storage backup (also eligible for a 30% direct pay)?

When the power goes out, we would be able to offer our building as a literal sanctuary from the heat, or as a triage center in times of climate disasters where people who rely on electricity for oxygen or dialysis can come. Community members without shelter could come inside to cool down or charge their phones so they can access essential services. We have a reliable well and ample space in the basement which is unused during the weekdays.

We could offer the community to come for clean water — the thing we all need to survive. We could also purchase cots to provide safe, emergency shelter centering the needs of our trans beloveds. Because of our existing partnerships, we could identify our neighbors who are most at risk to be the first to be evacuated from their homes to receive care in our congregation. We could work with interfaith partners to share our knowledge and our process to encourage

other mosques, churches, and temples to do the same. And that one church that meets in different places each week? Well, they have a bus that could help people who don't have reliable transportation find sanctuary first at our congregation and later in houses of worship all across our community as the movement grows. Ah. Imagine the beauty of community care.

The possibilities are endless, inspiring, and liberating. What can we do now to get the ball rolling?! So many things! What a joy it is to celebrate that we are all sacred beings with different understandings, unique lived experiences, and so many amazing ideas! As we imagine the possibilities of Community Care, we compassionately share our faith, presence, and resources.



Dream Big Slide

While it may be tempting to limit brainstorming to what feels doable right now or what feels safe, or to wring our hands with worry about whether or not we have the money or resources to pull the ideas off, stay in the mindset of love, and abundance. Elevate as many possible ideas as you can in the time we have, and keep thinking of more after we end our time together! DREAM BIG!

While one idea may feel audacious today, who knows what tomorrow will bring. As congregations across the land are Reimagining Together and moving From an Extractive Age to a New Era, the possibilities are endless! What one congregation may not be able to do alone, many congregations can do together.

Don't hold back! Don't shut anyone down! And also, don't dominate the conversation! If you've shared your thoughts, ask someone else what they think.



Listen. Be curious. Brainstorm! Slide

Listen. Be curious! Brainstorm, brainstorm! With curiosity, creativity, patience, joy, and determination, we can solve all of the problems in our community, together.

Activity Directions for In-Person Revival

You will now be mapping out possibilities for community care that respond to the challenging realities identified in the last activity.

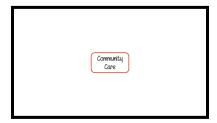


Leave your "Challenging Realities" Map

I know it's hard, but that means the first thing you will do is leave your map of the Challenging Realities behind, trusting that the rest of your community will take care of it with their imaginations!

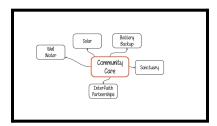
Your small group will now disperse and move individually to another table where another group has left their map of the Challenging Realities in your care. If moving about is a challenge or a distraction for you, just stay put and new folks will come to your table.

Once you are settled, orient yourselves to the map the previous group left at this table.



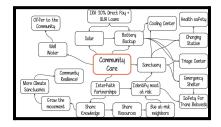
Community Care at the Center Slide

Then, using a new poster board or large sheet of paper, write at the center, "Community Care."



Community Care + One Layer Slide

Drawing on what you see in the previous group's map, identify and write down as many possibilities for community care as you can think of that could overwhelm those challenging realities.



Community Care Connected Slide

Remember - DREAM BIG. Celebrate what could be. Lean into hope and the commitment to transformation we are practicing today. Now is our moment for revival. We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center. And you're a part of it!

Building Capacity for Community Care

- In Small Groups (4-6) on a large sheet of paper:
- ★ MOVE to a New Table
- ★ Orient yourself to the NEW MAP at your new table.
- * Write Community Care at the Center.
- ★ Write down all the possibilities for Community Care.
- ★ Make connections among the possibilities
- ★ Think of existing initiatives, bold ideas, opportunities for collaboration, and joyful ideas!
- ★ Be creative! Don't hold back!

Building Capacity for Community Care Directions Slide

Just like we did in the previous systems mapping exercise, we will take 25 minutes to map out the possibilities for community care. We'll come back together to reflect on how we as individuals can contribute to our shared purpose of faithful transformation.

Modified Group Set-up for Virtual Participants.

You'll stay in the same small group of four you were in. As you discuss the possibilities of community care in your context, you will each draw your own systems map in response to the challenging realities identified in your group. Go Get it!

Charting the Course with Transformative Actions

(Estimated time for this portion is 50 Minutes)



Charting the Course with Transformative Actions Slide

Pre-Recorded Video Facilitation Link

★ Facilitator Action ★

Start video of this section if using pre-recorded facilitation videos **OR Start slides** for this section and read the script below.

FACILITATOR REMARKS

As we embrace the challenging realities and caring possibilities of our community, we can begin to Chart a Course with Transformative Actions. In the spirit of committing our individual skills and passions to a shared purpose, I invite you to revisit some of our shared goals in another responsive reading. After each goal I share, I invite you to respond, as before, with 'We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.'



"Our congregation will join.." Slide

Leader: Our congregation is joining in spirit with thousands of UUs Reimagining Together A World Where All Communities Thrive.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"Our congregation will create..." Slide

Leader: Our congregation will create a shared vision of our community thriving to guide our actions.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"We'll collaboratively map..." Slide

Leader: We'll collaboratively map the challenging realities and possible solutions in our community.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"As an individual..." Slide

Leader: As an individual, I will clarify my priorities for action, my skills, and what brings me joy grounded in my hopes for the future with love at the center.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"Together we will create..." Slide

Leader: Together, we will create a clear list of potential actions and individual commitments to joyfully and faithfully transform our communities.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.

Activity Framing

It is important to have a shared purpose and understanding of the challenges and possibilities AND it takes individual commitments to overwhelm the challenges with collective care. So how do we as individuals contribute to our shared purpose?

For the rest of our time together, we will **begin the process of fostering collaborative relationships** among our justice teams and between the individuals in our congregation. There may be actions that came up that would be ideal for our Green Sanctuary 2030 team to hold and others that our congregational leadership may need to spearhead. There may be ideas that still need working out or that we need more perspectives to refine. We may need to bring in our community partners to discuss other suggestions. That's perfect!

So how are we going to start charting that course? By completing our Sacred Circles!



Write Your Name Slide

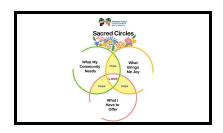
First things first - take a moment to write your name on your Sacred Circles Worksheet!



Sacred Circles - Framework Slide

We created the Sacred Circles Framework specifically for the Revival to balance larger needs and priority actions of the community and what each individual person has to offer. However, what the community needs and what individuals can do is just a part of the picture.

As people of faith, the way we approach the work is inherently different. So, instead of your ideal way to engage with the climate movement at the center of the Venn diagram, for us, LOVE is at the center. Always.



Sacred Circles - Hope Framework Slide

And at the intersections of "what my community needs, what I have to offer, and what brings me joy," radiating out from love at the center, is where hope abides. In these spaces, each participant will choose three words that they want to guide their commitments going forward.

Working in pairs, we will support each other to complete *individual* Sacred Circles. These *individual* Sacred Circles will inform the work we as a *community* prioritize going forward.

Our default way of organizing is to have a small group of people figure out the work and then come to the congregation and ask for volunteers. The Sacred Circles activity turns that dynamic on its head and asks the individuals, "what do you think the community needs?" and "how will you bring your full self to the work."

Let's take a closer look at your Sacred Circles Worksheet. On it, you will see three intersecting circles. The top left, green circle is labeled 'What My Community Needs.' The top right, yellow circle is labeled 'What Brings Me Joy.' The bottom, pink circle is labeled 'What I Have to Offer.' At the intersections of each pair of circles is a space for our hopes. At the center of these circles is what is at the center of our faith - Love.



Purple talk, Red listen Slide

To fill out the needs, and our joys, offerings, and hope, we will reflect on each circle one at a time, by discussing them in three one-on-one conversations.

In our first one-on-one conversation, we will break out into pairs to complete the circle - 'What Does My Community Need?'

In this pair, the first thing you will do is to give your partner your Sacred Circles Worksheet - that's why we made you write your name at the top! . Next, you will take turns sharing your thoughts on this question. One person will speak while the other person listens and writes down notes on the speaker's worksheet.



Switch! Purple listen, Red talk Slide

Then, you will switch - the person who spoke first will now listen and record on their partner's worksheet while they reflect on the question.

As you are speaking, consider the following to help you fill in your first Sacred Circle: What does our community **most** need? What are some things you think our congregation could do to reduce harm while working towards collective liberation? What feels like it must be a priority?

It doesn't have to be something you feel that you can personally take on or have the skills to complete. Just what you think the community most needs based on our conversations today.

You will spend about 12 minutes in this first pair, giving each person about 6 minutes to reflect while their partner writes down notes. We will announce when it is time to switch roles.

After both people have reflected on the first question of 'What Does My

Community Need?' you will take back your Sacred Circles worksheet and find a

new partner to talk with - like musical chairs except everyone gets a seat!



New Partner! Purple Talk, Green Listen Slide

In your second conversation with your new partner, you will follow the same process of swapping your Sacred Circles worksheets and taking turns reflecting and taking notes. However, this time you will be answering and filling out your second Sacred Circle, 'What Brings Me Joy?'

As you are sharing what brings you joy, consider the following: What are the ideas or challenges that you feel energized by? What feels exciting right now? When you think about taking specific actions, which ones bring you the most joy? We will remind you of this prompt later, don't worry!

What you think our community needs and what you're excited about may be the same and they may be different. That's ok! You may recognize a priority, but not be excited about it. Someone else might be though!



Switch! Purple listen, Green talk Slide

After both people have reflected on the second question of 'What Brings Me Joy?' you will take back your Sacred Circles worksheet and find your third and final conversation partner.



New Partner! Purple Talk, Blue Listen Slide

In your third conversation, you will, for one last time, trade your worksheets and take turns reflecting on the question 'What Do I Have to Offer?'

As you are speaking about what you have to offer, consider the following: When you reflect on the most pressing needs in your community and the most exciting actions you just named, what do you have to offer? What are your unique gifts, skills, experience, or knowledge that can help move our shared work forward? When you reflect on our time together today, how are you being called to action?

Keeping in mind that we are part of a larger social change ecosystem, you will reflect on the specific offerings you can joyfully and reliably bring to our shared

work, knowing that we do not and should not have to do it all on our own. We are only a part of it!

At the end of this third conversation, you will take back your Sacred Circles worksheet. On it, you should have notes in each of the individual circles in three different kinds of handwriting - one from each of your partners! You will use what you have shared and they have captured on your worksheet to help guide your reflection in our final activity together.

One last note on these Sacred Circles - as you have these conversations we invite you to keep practicing vulnerability and growing trust. As you work through each circle with your partners, practice deep listening, grounded curiosity, mindful communication, and genuine appreciation.



Musical Chairs: What Does My Community Need Slide

We will now break out into our first set of pairs to complete our first Sacred Circle, 'What Does My Community Need?' Once in your pairs, the person whose name starts with a letter earlier in the alphabet will go first and share for 6 minutes. Make sure you share your time equally!

Musical Chairs: All VIRTUAL Conversations

- Pair and Share 45 minutes TOTAL time togethe

 Join Breakout rooms of 2 people
- Give them your Sacred Circles Worksheet
 ★ Take turns sharing your thoughts for each
- prompt

 ★ In the chat, write what you hear your partner
- share
- * Save the chat!

Make sure to offer genuine appreciation!

Musical Chairs: ALL VIRTUAL Conversations Directions Slide

Modified Partner Instructions for Virtual/Online-Hybrid Participants

For those of us attending as online participants rather than have three separate one-on-one conversations, you will have one partner for all three of our Sacred Circles conversations. You will be placed in breakout rooms of two people for 45 minutes. You will take turns sharing your reflection on each question, and your conversation partner will capture what you are saying in the zoom chat. Your conversations should go for about 40 minutes total. You will then take an extra five minutes after you have both answered all three reflection prompts to give you some time to copy down what your partner wrote for you in the chat. Remember that if you want to save the chat, you can select the three dots at the top of the chat box and select. "Save chat."

Sacred Circles Activity Directions

★ Facilitator Action ★ Have participants break out into pairs.

Musical Chairs: What Does My Community Need?

Pair and Share - 12 minutes

★ Pair up with another person

□ Give them your Sacred Circles Worksheet

★ Person 1 shares "What I think My Community needs"

★ Person 2 listens and makes notes on Person
1's worksheet in the Community Needs Circle

Make sure to offer genuine appreciation!

Remind participants of these prompts to guide their reflection on the first question of 'What Does My Community Need?':

- What does our community most need?
- What are some things you think our congregation could do to reduce harm while working towards collective liberation?
- What feels like it must be a priority?

★ Timekeeper starts a six-minute countdown once conversations start ★

At 6 minutes, announce to the group that partners should switch roles.

Whoever was speaking first should now listen and record while their partner shares their reflection.

★ Time keeper starts another 6 minute countdown. ★

At the end of 6 minutes, announce to the group that you will now make new pairs to discuss the second question 'What Brings Me Joy?'

Musical Chairs: What Brings Me Joy?

- Pair and Share 12 minutes

 Pair up with a different person
- Give them your Sacred Circles Worksheet
 Person 1 shares "What Brings Me Joy."
- ★ Person 2 listens and makes notes on Person 1's worksheet in the What Brings me Joy circle Offer genuine appreciation for yoru partner

Musical Chairs: What Brings Me Joy? Slide

Once participants are in their new pairs, remind them of the following prompts to help guide their reflections:

- What are the ideas or challenges that you feel energized by?
- What feels exciting right now?
- When you think about taking specific actions, which ones bring you the most joy?
 - ★ Time keeper starts another six minute countdown. ★

At 6 minutes, announce to the group that partners should switch roles. Whoever was speaking first should now listen and record while their partner shares their reflection.

★ Time keeper starts another 6 minute countdown. ★

At the end of 6 minutes, announce to the group that you will now make new pairs to discuss the third question 'What Do I Have to Offer?'

Musical Chairs: What I Have to Offer

- ANOTHER NEW PARTNER! Pair and Share 12 minutes
- ★ Pair up with a different person
 ⊙ Give them your Sacred Circles Worksheet
 ★ Person 1 shares "What I Have to Offer."
- Person 2 listens and makes notes on Person 1's worksheet in the What I Have to Offer circle

Genuine Appreciation! Genuine Appreciation!

Musical Chairs: What I Have to Offer? Slide

Once participants are in their new pairs, remind them of the following prompts to help guide their reflections:

- When you reflect on the most pressing needs in your community and the most exciting actions you just named, what do you have to offer?
- What are your unique gifts, skills, experience, or knowledge that can help move our shared work forward?
- As you ground yourself in the community you have built today, how are you being invited to take action?
 - ★ Time keeper starts another 6 minute countdown. ★

At 6 minutes, announce to the group that partners should switch roles. Whoever was speaking first should now listen and record while their partner shares their reflection.

★ Time keeper starts another 6 minute countdown. ★

At the end of six minutes, ring a bell and/or announce to the group that you will now come back together for your final activity of the day!

Nourishing Relationships Through Interdependent Commitments

(Estimated time for this portion is 18 Minutes)



Nourishing Relationships Slide

Pre-Recorded Facilitation Video Link

★ Facilitator Action ★

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FACILITATOR REMARKS

For our last activity today, we will specify how we each will continue to Nourish our Relationships Through Interdependent Commitments.

We've been talking a lot, so let's start with some silent reflection. Take a few slow breaths with some long exhales to recenter yourselves.



Sacred Circles - Hope Highlighted Slide

You will see at the three paired intersections of "What My Community Needs," "What I Have to Offer," and "What Brings Me Joy," is the place where Hope Abides. Where our deepest intentions meet our greatest possibilities.

Using the reflected-back information on your Sacred Circles Worksheet, you will each identify three words that you want to guide your work going forward. In your Sacred Circles Worksheet, you will write those three words into the places of intersection between the primary circles to create a representation of all you have to offer, the issues you want to center, the things that bring you joy, and the hopes you have for the future — all with love at the center.

As you reflect on what three words will shape your commitments to the work, think about the following:

Where Hope Abides

★ Identify 3 words that will shape your commitments: What are your greatest hopes for the future? What attitude do you want to embody? What is your commitment to yourself? To your community? What are your intentions?

Where Hope Abides Prompt Slide

What are your greatest hopes? What attitude do you most want to embody? What is your commitment to yourself? To your community?

After five minutes of quiet reflection, we will go around the room and everyone will share their three words as a way to seal our intentions and shared commitments.



Revival Word Cloud Slide

We will collect all of our words and send them to the national Revival Planning Team, who will create a word cloud of our congregation's words into the shape of the Revival logo for us to display as a reminder of our shared intentions! Even better, as congregations across the land turn in their words, we will take all of them and turn them into one massive word cloud to graphically represent the commitments of our entire faith.

Where Hope Abides

Individual Reflection, Group Sharing

- ★ Silently Reflect on your Sacred Circles Worksheet
- ★ Identify 3 words that will shape your commitments to the work: Consider: What are your greatest hopes for the future? What attitude do you want to embody? What is your commitment to yourself? To your community? What are your intentions?
- \bigstar Write a different word in each of the three intersections.
- ★ Share with the full group!

Where Hope Abides Directions Slide

We will now take five minutes to silently reflect on our Sacred Circles Worksheet to help us identify three words that we want to guide our work going forward. When you identify those three words, write one in each intersection of the circles, and write all three on a notecard that we will collect along with your Sacred Circles Worksheets to create our shared word cloud of commitments. Don't worry, you will get them back - that's why we had you put your names on them!

The Place Where Hope Abides Activity Directions

★ Facilitator Action ★

★ Time Keeper starts a 5 minute timer ★

You may want to play an instrumental music selection like "Blackbird" by Brad Mehldau from the <u>UU Climate Revival Playlist</u> in the background.

When time is up, bring everyone's attention back into the large group.

Instruct folks to share their words with the large group.

Facilitator Says Aloud:

Now that we have written down our three one-word intentions, we will share them with each other!

Invite participants to take turns sharing with the rest of the group their three words of intention.

If you have a really large group, you may want to ask folks to just share one of their words to make sure everyone has a chance to share.

Collect the Sacred Circles Worksheets and intention notecards from participants as they speak or at the end of the day - whichever is easiest for you!

Chalice Extinguishing & Closing

(Estimated time for this portion is 5 Minutes)



Reimagine Together! Slide

Pre-Recorded Facilitation Video Link

★ Facilitator Action ★

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FACILITATOR REMARKS

Thank you all for sharing your brilliance, your lived experiences, and your compassion. Thank you for your creativity, your imperfection, your grace as we have reimagined together a world with love at the center. As you take this experience out into the world, remember that these activities are evergreen. How would your community transform if you invited all of the faith communities and justice partners into Climate Justice Dialogs together? What if every UU congregation in your region came together for a shared Revival? How would your state politics and climate actions change if your congregation joined your State Action Network's UU Climate Justice Revival? You can engage in these dialogs again next spring or commit to doing them once a year. The outcomes will be different every time as we intervene in the system with love at the center of our climate actions.

Have we solved all of the problems of the world today? Do we have a clear action plan for the next 10 years? no absolutely not. There's no way we could accomplish such lofty goals in four hours while also bringing in the opinions and ideas and skills and brilliance of all of the people here today.

What we have done today is created a north star to guide our work. We've honestly articulated the challenges and brainstormed the possible solutions. Each of you individually has identified the ways that you can show up for the work with love at the center and hope to sustain you.

From here, we will bring all of our teams, all of our ministries, all of our thinkers, all of our changemakers, hopers and dreamers together to decide which of the possible solutions our congregation is going to pursue. Justice work is not done until we have achieved collective liberation. So no, we're not done today, but what we have done today is spark a new way.

In that spirit, let's do our final and most enthusiastic call and response to close out our wonderful time together!



"Our congregation will join.." Slide

Leader: Our congregation is joining in spirit with thousands of UUs Reimagining Together A World Where All Communities Thrive.



Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"Our congregation will create..." Slide

Leader: Our congregation will create a shared vision of our community thriving to guide our actions.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"We'll collaboratively map..." Slide

Leader: We'll collaboratively map the challenging realities and possible solutions in our community.



Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"As an individual..." Slide

Leader: As an individual, I will clarify my priorities for action, my skills, and what brings me joy grounded in my hopes for the future with love at the center.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"Together we will create..." Slide

Leader: Together, we will create a clear list of potential actions and individual commitments to joyfully and faithfully transform our communities.



Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"After our Revival..." Slide

Leader: After our Revival, UUs together will breathe life into our Reimagined Futures through faithful, joyful, and impactful actions.



"We are Reimagining Together..." Response Slide

Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



"What we're doing together..." Slide

Leader: What we're doing together today and how we take the work out into the world is a transformative way that we are putting LOVE at the center of our climate actions.



Response: We are reimagining together, a world with love at the center.



Reimagine Together! Cheer Slide

ALL: Reimagine Together! Reimagine Together! Reimagine Together!

Benediction



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In the movie *Star Wars: The Last Jedi,* Rose says to Finn "That's how we're going to win this war - not by fighting what we hate, but by saving what we love. In the spirit of the fight, with Love always at the center, we send our light out into the world.