

Sunday, August 18, 2024
Intergenerational Water Communion Service
10:15 a.m.

*Before taking your seat, please pour a little of the water you have brought
into the bowl on the center table.*

*For those who did not bring water this morning:
please pour a little from the pitcher you will find there. It is all one body of water!*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Catherine Boyle

Events today:

No Sunday School – Intergenerational Worship: Water Communion 10:15 am
4th Sunday Brunch on the 3rd Sunday 11:15 am, Patio
Spiritual Adventures in Parenting 11:30 am, Fireside Room
Newcomers' Tea with Amy 11:45 am, Room A
Harmonic Circle 1:00 pm, McFadden or Thatcher Patio

This Week:

Gardening @ UUCPA Monday, 8/19 10:00 am
Sacred Text Reading Group (Wed.) Wednesday, 8/21 12:00 pm, Online
Choir rehearsal Thursday, 8/22 7:00 pm, Main Hall
Sacred Text Reading Group (Saturday) Saturday, 8/24 4:00 pm, Online
Parents' Night Out Saturday, 8/24 5:00 pm, Room 4/5

Selected Upcoming Events:

Forum Topic Selection Sunday, 8/25 8:30 am, Library
Sunday School for children and youth preK through grade 8 – Children's Chapel Sunday, 8/25 10:15 am
Sunday Service Sunday, 8/25 10:15 am, UUCPA Main Hall & Online
All Church Picnic – Mitchell Park Sunday, 8/25 11:30 am, Mitchell Park, Palo Alto
Senior High Youth Group – SHYG Sunday, 8/25 6:30 pm

Celebration of Life – Dick Clark Sunday, 9/1 2:00 pm, UUCPA Main Hall, Main Patio, & Online

Sign up for a shift at the interfaith booth at the Silicon Valley Pride Festival Aug 24-25!

Silicon Valley Pride is coming up in one week! UUCPA is once again part of an informal group of faith organizations that organize and staff an interfaith welcome booth at the festival each year. We need volunteers! Sign up [here](#) to help set up or break down the booth or take a shift during the festival itself.

If you have questions about this effort or what's involved in volunteering, contact the Action Council at ActionCouncil@uucpa.org

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Prelude *La Fontaine*, C. Bohm **Veronika Agranov-Dafoe**

Chalice Lighting **Rev. Amy Zucker**
Morgenstern

Centering Words: Calling the Directions adapted from Julia Hamilton **Amy Morgenstern**

Story for All Ages *The Tale of Guahayona and the Mermaid* **Rev. Cat Boyle**

Song *Enter, Rejoice, and Come In*, No. 361 in the gray hymnal
Words & Music: Louise Ruspini © 1992 UUA

Enter, rejoice, and come in.
Enter, rejoice, and come in.
Today will be a joyful day;
enter, rejoice, and come in.

Open your ears to the song...

Open your ears to the song...

Don't be afraid of some change...

Enter, rejoice, and come in...

Caring and Sharing

Homily *Water, Water, Everywhere* **Amy Morgenstern**

Song *Wade in the Water*, No. 210 in the gray hymnal
Words & Music: African American spiritual, c. 1750-1875, © 1992 UUA

(Chorus)
Wade in the water,
wade in the water, children,
wade in the water,
God's gonna trouble the water.

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See that band all dressed in white.
God's gonna trouble the water.
The leader looks like an Israelite.
God's gonna trouble the water.

(Chorus)

See that band all dressed in red.
God's gonna trouble the water.
It looks like the band that Moses led.
God's gonna trouble the water.

(Chorus)

Homily

Water and Spirit

Rev. Cat Boyle

Anthem

Like a River in My Soul

UUCPA Adult Choir

Blessing the Waters

Revs. Cat and Amy

Water Communion

All

Touching a little water to our neighbor's (or our own) forehead, we say: May the thoughts you think be for the benefit of all

Touching it to their throat: May the words you speak be for kindness toward all

Touching it to their heart: May your spirit know it is one with all

Touching it to their hands: May your actions create a better world for all.

Offering

Placid Lake, F.B. Price

Veronika Agranov-Dafoe

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For payments towards your annual pledge, use "uucpa20242025."*



Thank you!

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Song

Swimming to the Other Side

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Chorus: We are living 'neath the great Big Dipper
We are washed by the very same rain
We are swimming in the stream together
Some in power and some in pain
We can worship this ground we walk on
Cherishing the beings that we live beside
Loving spirits will live forever
We're all swimming to the other side

I am alone, and I am searching
Hungering for answers in my time
I am balanced at the brink of wisdom
I'm impatient to receive a sign
I move forward with my senses open
Imperfection, it be my crime
In humility I will listen
We're all swimming to the other side

Chorus

On this journey through thoughts and feelings
Binding intuition, my head, my heart
I am gathering the tools together
I'm preparing to do my part
All of those who have come before me
Band together and be my guide
Loving lessons that I will follow
We're all swimming to the other side

When we get there we'll discover
All of the gifts we've been given to share
Have been with us since life's beginning
And we never noticed they were there
We can balance at the brink of wisdom
Never recognizing that we've arrived
Loving spirits will live together
We're all swimming to the other side.

Chorus

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Chalice Extinguishing & Sung Benediction

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Postlude

Barcarolle (from *The Seasons*), Tchaikovsky

Veronika Agranov-Dafoe

Benediction

All

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.

Greeting Time

Music Director: Bruce Olstad

Pianist: Veronika Agranov-Dafoe

Social Justice Partner of the Month: [There With Care](#)

Worship tech and online community creation: Tim Berry, Byron Brown, Kay Brown, Heather Chen, Kristi Iverson, Paul Kostka, Steve Ludington, Kevin Ma, William Phelps, Pamela Schure, Jesse Schwab, Gregg Williams, Ann Zeise.

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