

Faith in Action Digest

This is a monthly collection of actions, trainings, and resources for putting our Faith into Action, compiled by Rev. Sara Lewis of the Olympia Unitarian Universalist Congregation. This is deliberately a copy and paste document with little time put into formatting, as it is meant to simply collect the many calls to action into one place for ease of communication. Comments and suggestions can be sent to Rev. Sara at dcfd@ouuc.org

Disclaimer: These actions are provided for your information and are not officially endorsed by the Olympia Unitarian Universalist Congregation

**Before you go: a helpful protest
safety guide: [Protest Safety Guide -
Common Defense](#)**



June 2026

June 3rd

Wed, Jun 03 | Zoom Webinar

Federal Forest Webinar – Getting Through to Congress

LFDC's monthly update on Federal lands. Join us for a webinar co-hosted by LFDC and John Muir Project covering detailed strategy and insights for effectively engaging with members of congress and their staff.

REGISTER: [Federal Forest Webinar – Getting Through to Congress | LFDC](#)

June 5th

June 5 & June 19: UU Solidarity Sessions

Held the first and third Fridays of the month, Solidarity Sessions are an opportunity for folks working for immigrant justice to connect with one another, take action, and learn about the most recent changes in immigration laws and policies. First Fridays will include top-level updates and time for connection and shared learning. Third Fridays will be deeper dives into the administrative

updates and the impact the changes they will have on folks seeking immigration relief. (Ex: Naturalization, DACA, asylum, TPS, victim's services, etc.)

- June 5 @ 2pm ET / 11am PT : [UU Solidarity Session](#)
- June 19 @ 2pm ET / 11am PT: [UU Solidarity Session](#)



June 6th

Celebrate Pride Month outdoors at the National Trails Day Stewardship PRIDE Event! Join Stream Team and community partners at Decatur Woods Park on Saturday, June 6 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a welcoming, family-friendly day of environmental restoration. Help remove invasive species like English ivy and Himalayan blackberry while connecting with others who share a passion for caring for our local green spaces. Enjoy music, giveaways, and a supportive space where everyone is encouraged to show up as they are.





PROTECT OUR MOTHER EARTH: STORIES OF PROTECTING WHAT WE LOVE IN NATURE

**SATURDAY JUNE 6TH 6:30 PM
NEW TRADITIONS CAFÉ
300 5TH AVE SW, OLYMPIA**

HeartSparkle Players

Playback Theatre is a style of theatrical improvisation where audience members tell real moments from their lives; then the actors and musicians create art from those personal stories. The Players will act out stories from the audience of people's efforts to protect our mother earth.

A Fun and Inspiring evening of entertainment!

Bring your Stories of protecting our earth: trees, animals, rivers, ecosystems. Heart Sparkle Players will enact audience stories!

This is a fundraiser for Restoring Earth Connection

Suggested donation \$25 to \$30



June 8th

Side With Love's The Gathering's 250th Anniversary Series

Join us for this special series as we examine the limits and possibilities of American democracy and begin shaping a multiracial, interdependent democracy where everyone can thrive. Together with faith leaders, organizers, and scholars, we will tell the truth about the stories that formed this nation, confront narratives that have justified exclusion, and create new ones rooted in solidarity, collective power, and shared freedom.

[Register today!](#)



the
gathering

Declarations of Democracy

Monday, June 8th

8pm ET | 5pm PT



SIDE WITH LOVE



June 11th

Please join Wilderness Watch and our partners at the Great Old Broads for Wilderness at 5pm MDT on Thursday, June 11 for a webinar about “Chainsaws and the Wilderness Act.” [Click here to register for this free webinar.](#)

Panelists include:

- Dana Johnson, Policy Director, Wilderness Watch
- Ken Straley, retired USFS Wilderness Manager
- N. Taylor, retired regional USFS Wilderness Manager
- Anne Dal Vera, retired USFS Wilderness Ranger

During the webinar, you will learn more about why this Forest Service action goes beyond chainsaws, and what you can do to halt moves like this that strike at the very core of the Wilderness Act.

Together we will stop this attack on the Wilderness Act, and ensure that these special landscapes remain natural and wild for generations to come.

We hope you can join us at 5pm MDT on Thursday, June 11.

Online Event: “Chainsaws and the Wilderness Act” – Great Old Broads for Wilderness



June 14th

Action: Centralia Flag Day Peaceful Sign Wave for Freedom

When: Sunday, June 14, 2026, 11:00 - 12:30pm

Where: 1129 Harrison Ave., Centralia

Purpose: Come join the good folks of Centralia to remind everyone that to be free, we must stand together against tyranny.

Organizer: Rural Lewis County Indivisible

Action: Lacey Weekly Sign Wave

When: Sunday, June 14, 2026 1-2:30pm

Where: Sleater-Kinney Overpass (park in the old Sears parking lot), 521

Sleater-Kinney Rd SE, Lacey

Purpose: Stand up for democracy and show passersby that the Resistance is alive and well

Organizer: Northwest Indivisible

Action: No Kings Showdown: Liberty vs. The Orange Menace!

When: Sunday, June 14th, 2 - 4pm

Where: Heritage Park, 5th Ave SW &, 701 Water St SW, Olympia, WA 98501

Purpose: A smaller No Kings gathering organized by Evergreen Resistance.

Please join us for an afternoon of peaceful protest! Events include sign-waving, a parody UFC match, "Angry Knit-In" (knitting and crafts), music and resistance group singing, election information, and more!

Trump is throwing himself a birthday party at The People's House (that he half-demolished). Evergreen Resistance invites the community to join us for a more meaningful – and less destructive – celebration of democracy. Bring your signs and camping chairs, friends and family, and we will see you at Heritage Park!

If you're interested in volunteering, we'd love help with the De-escalation team, Care-Bears with snacks/water, or with set-up/take-down of just a couple tables/tents. Please email olynokings@gmail.com. Thanks!



June 16th

**Free virtual event,
Thursday, June 16 @
11am-12:30pm with
post-session affinity
group from
12:45-1:30pm!**

*"Toward Safe and
Affordable Housing for DV
Survivors: Understanding
Barriers and Advocating
for Survivor-Centered
Housing Policy"*

Safe and stable housing is one of the most critical needs for gender-based violence and domestic violence (GBV/DV) survivors, yet it remains one of the hardest to access. While programs such as emergency shelters and transitional housing provide essential support, survivors often

face significant barriers, including lengthy waiting lists, eligibility restrictions, and limited responsiveness to survivors with diverse racial, gender, and immigration backgrounds.

Recent federal funding cuts and shifts in HUD policy have deepened these gaps. While broader housing policy discussions often address systemic and federal challenges, the specific housing needs of GBV/DV survivors, among those most severely impacted, remain underaddressed.

This Actionshop will provide participants with an understanding of the current housing support landscape for GBV/DV survivors, the barriers

that limit access, and the promising approaches, such as Domestic Violence Housing First. It will also explore concrete advocacy strategies to advance more equitable and survivor-centered housing policy.

Speakers:

- Doris O’Neal, Associate Director of Domestic Violence Services at YWCA Seattle | King | Snohomish
- Sarah Kendall, Housing Stability Coordinator at Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence (WSCADV)
- Ma.Caroline Lopez, MSW,

Director of Equity,
Racial Justice,
and Culture at the
Housing Alliance
(WLIHA)

12:45pm-1:30pm:

Affinity group for people
who have lived
experience of GBV/DV/SA
and housing barriers to
be in community, share
resources, and ask
questions from speakers.

This community space
will follow the actionshop
after a 15 minute music
break, using the same
zoom link.

A registration form with several input fields and a 'REGISTER' button. The form is contained within a light gray rectangular border. It features five white input fields of varying lengths, stacked vertically. The second input field from the top is partially obscured by a dark orange button with the word 'REGISTER' in white, bold, uppercase letters. The entire form is set against a white background.

June 17th

As the climate crisis grows more urgent and calls for energy expansion grow louder, the Trump administration is going all-in on nuclear power — and Big Tech is investing heavily. ***But nuclear power is still a bad idea.***

From the uranium mine to the toxic waste pit, nuclear power puts our health, environment, and climate at risk at every point in its lifecycle.

[Join us on Wednesday, June 17, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. ET \(4:00-5:00 p.m. PT\) to discuss the history, current research, political context, and our strategy to fight back.](#)

[Nuclear Power: Why It's Still a Bad Idea · Food & Water Watch](#)



June 26th-28th



WE EXIST.

WE PERSIST.

Pride Festival!

Friday Saturday Sunday |

June 26th 27th 28th

The Festival is back and bigger than ever! Celebrating 35 years of CapCity Pride, we have the same flow with more stages, more vendors and more entertainment! More, more, MORE!

Friday June 26th

BLOCK PARTY- Hosted by
Luna Delight of Free Range Drag

Saturday June 27th

PRIDE FEST- At the Port Plaza
Looking for a booth?

Sunday June 28th

RALLY, MARCH, PARADE!-
Down Capital Boulevard
DYKE DAY IN THE PARK-
Heritage Park, Just follow the parade
to the park!

[Learn more](#)



July 9th



Join Interfaith Works for a screening of the documentary FISH WAR co-sponsored with the United Churches of Olympia and the 2026 Paddle to Nisqually Medicine Creek Potlatch on July 9th. Hanford McCloud, Nisqually Tribal Liaison and Nisqually Canoe Family Skipper, will be our special guest and participate in a Q & A after the screening.

Thursday, July 9, 2026

DOORS: 6:30 pm

SCREENING & Q&A: 7 - 9 pm

The United Churches of Olympia

110 11th Ave SE



July 31st

This summer, the Housing Alliance is traveling around the state to hear from local communities about your needs and priorities.

This is an opportunity for you to share specific challenges, opportunities, or trends in your region, as well as what policy changes you think are most important to solve the affordable housing and homelessness crisis in your community.

We'll share what we're thinking about for upcoming policy priorities and gather feedback on what you think is most important to focus on for the next several years.

Visit our [2026 Community Forums web page](#) to register for the forum near you. Forums are currently scheduled in:

- **Bellingham**, June 9, 2-4pm
- **Vancouver**, July 8, 1-3pm
- **Tacoma**, July 16, 2-4pm
- **Yakima**, July 21, 1-2:30pm
- **Walla Walla**, July 22, 1-3pm

- **Spokane**, July 28, 12-1:30pm
- **Olympia**, July 31, 5-7:30pm
- **Kent**, August 10, 5-7:30pm
- **Bremerton**, August 12, 5-7:30pm

Can't attend in person? We will also hold several virtual forums:

- **Statewide - Lived Experience Focus**, July 15, 5-6:30pm
- **Statewide - Open to all**, Aug. 13, 5:30-7pm
- **Statewide - Rural Focus**, Aug. 18, 5:30-7pm
- **Statewide - En Español**, Aug. 20, 5:30-7pm
- **Statewide - Housing Alliance Organizational Members**
(registration link will be sent separately), September 2,
12-1:30pm

Last year we heard so much great feedback and nuance about housing challenges in communities large and small, east, west, and in between! And we met and deepened connections with so many people and organizations. We're really looking forward to that again this year and hopefully meeting new people and community rooted organizations!

Join us and make your voice heard!





suhəliʔilalqʷuʃitubutčət ʔə tiit ʔashikʷcəb ʔə kʷi yəlyəlabčət
"Healing Through Our Waters by Honoring Our Ancestors"

2026

© Nisqually Indian Tribe 2026

The Interfaith Network for Indigenous Communities (INIC)* urges you to attend and support the 2026 Paddle to Nisqually Medicine Creek Potlatch hosted by the Nisqually Tribe July 31-August 5. Participation by people of faith and conscience extends our respect to and solidarity with Pacific Northwest indigenous peoples, cultures and communities.

Hosting the Potlatch and its thousands of guests is a remarkable undertaking requiring hundreds of volunteers. INIC is encouraging faith communities and individuals to volunteer before and/or during the event.

Learn more about the event, volunteer opportunities, sponsorship, and paddle landings enroute here:

https://www.nisqually-nsn.gov/heritage/Medicine_Creek_Potlatch_Journey

There are also ongoing opportunities to help with gift-making led by Nisqually tribal members noted on this [flyer](#) (we recommend you call first to confirm). These gifts will be given to Potlatch tribal member guests.