

# "Listening to Our Ancestors"

Sunday, October 27, 2024, 10:50 am

First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco





**Order of Service**  
**Sunday October 27, 2024**  
**10:50 AM - 12:15 PM**

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A Guide for Newcomers - What to Expect During Worship (read at <https://bit.ly/newcomersguide-uusf>)

**Welcome to Worship!**

UUSF no longer requires masks indoors on our premises,  
following the lead of the San Francisco Department of Health.

We do, however, strongly recommend people to wear masks  
or do anything else that protects and respects their own health and comfort.  
There is a designated mask-only area on the far right side of the Sanctuary.

**Stay Engaged: Explore Our Busy Hand Activity Station**

Did you know we have a busy hand activity station at the back of the sanctuary for all ages?  
You can find fidget toys, coloring, and so much more.  
Check it out if you need something to keep your hands busy during the service.  
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Prelude	<i>Land of Rest</i> Themes from <i>The Seasons</i>	Early American Melody/Dale Wood Antonio Vivaldi Reiko Oda Lane, organist
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Opening Words and Welcome	Rev. Laura Shennum, Minister of Congregational Life
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Unison Chalice Lighting	Mari Magaloni Ramos, Worship Associate
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We light this chalice for the light of truth,  
the warmth of love,  
and the fire of commitment.  
We light this symbol of our faith  
as we gather together.

*Hymn 112	<i>Do You Hear?</i> Akané Ota, songleader; Reiko Oda Lane, organist	FOUNDATION
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Greeting One Another

\*Unison Covenant

Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its prayer.  
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,  
to seek the truth in freedom, and to help one another.

\*Doxology

TALLIS' CANON

From all that dwell be - low the skies; let songs of hope and  
De to - dos ba - jo el gran sol; sur - ja, es - pe - ran - za

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faith a - rise; Let peace, good - will on earth be sung through  
fé, a - mor; ver - dad, y be - lle - za can - tan - do, de

8  
ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue.  
ca - da tie - rra, ca - da voz. A - men.

Offering

Mari Magaloni Ramos

Our offering this morning will be taken to support the work of **La Raza Community Resource Center**. They are a bilingual, multi-service, non-profit organization dedicated to meeting the social service, immigration, educational, and leadership development needs of low-income families and individuals. Read more on [page 5](#). To make a donation on Vanco ([bit.ly/uusfpayments](https://bit.ly/uusfpayments)), using the Donate Button on our website, or by scanning the QR code below, please select the line for either Sunday Plate Offering or Special Sunday Offerings. The designation is important to ensure your gift gets applied correctly. If you are sending a check, please mark in the memo today's date, **10-27-24**.

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Offertory Music     *Hunter's Moon* (October Full Moon) part 1 and 2  
Giocoso--Joking

Gilbert Vinter

Wm. Klingelhoffer, french horn; Marilyn Thompson, pianist

*Children/youth exit to classes during doxology.*

**In Words**

**In Silence...**

**In Music #123 Spirit of Life**

Spirit of Life, come unto me.  
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.  
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;  
move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.  
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;  
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

Introduction to Ritual of Remembrance

Mari Magaloni Ramos

Music *Hunter's Moon*, conclusion

Gilbert Vintner

Wm. Klingelhoffer, french horn; Marilyn Thompson, pianist

Ritual of Remembrance

Rev. Laura Shennum

I call out the name of \_\_\_\_\_,  
who was \_\_\_\_\_ [fill in their relationship to you] to me.

My ancestor(s) told me \_\_\_\_\_ [fill in a short sentence or phrase about what they told you about yourself].

[Speak their name again] \_\_\_\_\_.

Community Responds: Presente!

Blessing "Feeding You" by Carmen Tafolla

Mari Magaloni Ramos

\*Hymn 336

*All My Memories of Love*

ADORO TE DEVOTE

Akané Ota, songleader; Reiko Oda Lane, organist

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Invitations

Rev. Laura Shennum

\*Benediction & Extinguishing of the Chalice

Postlude Nimrod: A Hunter [No.9 from Enigma Variations]

Edward Elgar  
Reiko Oda Lane, organist

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\*Please rise in body or spirit.

# PARTICIPANTS

## **Worship Leaders**

Rev. Laura Shennum, Minister of Congregational Life  
Mari Magaloni Ramos, Worship Associate

## **Sunday Support**

Eric Shackelford; Shulee Ong; Francisco Castellanos, Camera Operators  
Jonathan Silk, Communications Director  
Thomas Brown, Jose Matias Pineda, Francisco Castellanos, Sextons  
Judy Payne, Flowers  
Linda Messner, Head Usher

## **Musicians**

Reiko Oda Lane, organist  
Akané Ota, songleader  
William Klingelhoffer, french horn  
Marilyn Thompson, pianist

# OFFERTORY

**La Raza Community Resource Center** is a bilingual, multi-service, non-profit organization dedicated to meeting the social service, immigration, educational, and leadership development needs of low-income families and individuals. Our mission is to serve as a bridge between San Francisco and Spanish-speaking immigrant families with direct support and advocacy to ensure Latino and Indigenous immigrant communities can access resources, realize their power, and thrive. The majority of La Raza participants are Spanish-speaking families and individuals of all ages, living in the Mission District of San Francisco and the greater Bay Area. But we serve a diverse body of individuals from the vast and various ethnic groups in the community. The agency provides citywide services and is located in Centro Del Pueblo, which houses several non-profit agencies. More information can be found at <https://www.larazacrc.org/>.

# ABOUT

Pianist **Marilyn Thompson** received her bachelor's degree from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, where she was a student of Adolph Baller. She was awarded a Fulbright grant to the Vienna Academy of Music and subsequently received her Master's Degree from Stanford University, where she studied under the Helen Evans Memorial Scholarship—a full-tuition grant. Miss Thompson has performed in chamber music concerts in Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center; the 92nd Street "Y" in New York City; the Philip's Gallery, Washington, D.C.; Boston's Symphony Hall; and Davies Symphony Hall in San Francisco. Miss Thompson is the pianist of the Navarro Trio, a group that performs frequently throughout the Bay Area. Marilyn Thompson has taught at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music; the College of Holy Names, Oakland, California; at the University of California at Santa Cruz; and is presently on the faculty of Sonoma State University.

$\text{♩} = 84$  Unison

1. Do you hear, oh my friend, in the  
 2. Through the roar, through the rush, through the  
 3. From the place where you stand to the

place through where you stand, through the  
 out - er - most strand, do you  
 sky, through the land, do you hear, do you hear? In the  
 hear in the hush of your soul, of your soul? Hear the  
 hear, oh my friend, do you hear, do you hear? All the  
 heights, on the plain, in the vale, on the main, in the  
 cry fear won't still, hear the heart's call to will, hear a  
 dreams, all the dares, all the sighs, all the prayers—they are

Another harmonization, 69

⊕ Words: Emily L. Thorn, 1915–, © 1992 Unitarian Universalist Association

Music: William Caldwell's *Union Harmony*, 1837,

harmony by Eugene Wilson Hancock, 1929–, © 1984 Eugene Hancock

FOUNDATION  
6.6.6.6.D.

COMMITMENT AND ACTION

sun, in the rain, do you hear, do you hear?  
sigh's star-tling trill in your soul, in your soul?  
yours, mine, and theirs—do you hear, do you hear?



# 336 All My Memories of Love

$\text{♩} = 126$

1. All my mem-o - ries of love hang up - on high stars.  
 2. Wil - lows in Sep - tem - ber touch the wa - ter clear,  
 3. Man - y are the grace - ful hearts hung up - on this tree.

All the souls I've lost to tears now the au - tumn jars;  
 set a - mong the rush - es tall of the flow - ing year.  
 And it seems there's room for mine on these branch - es free;

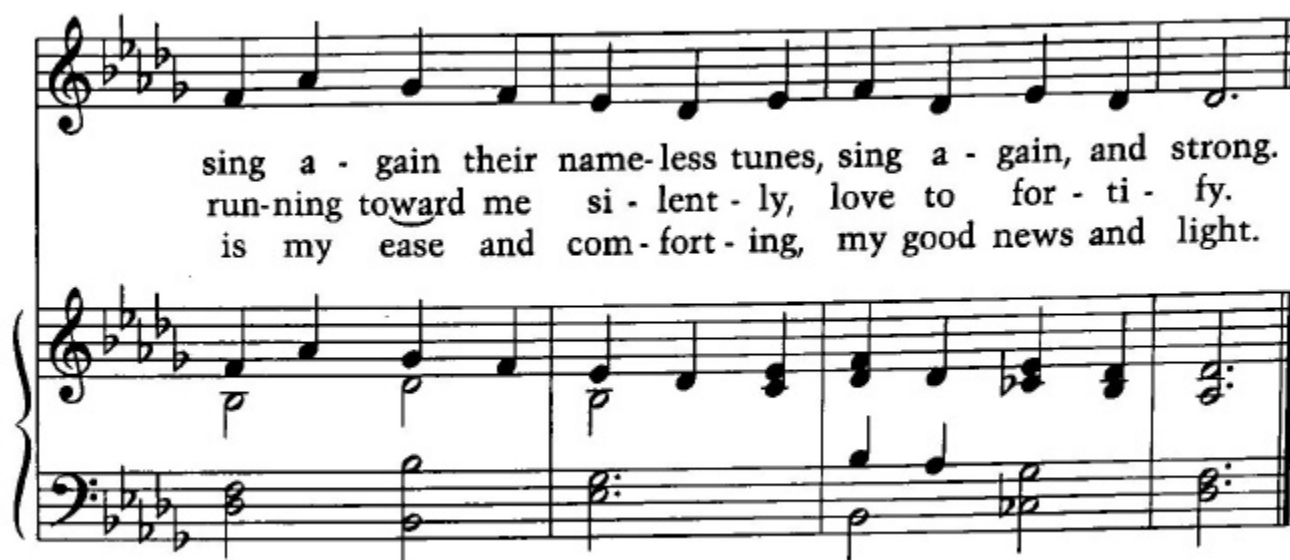
and the air a - round me here thick - ens with their song;  
 Ris - ing up from sun - lit past comes the shad - owed sigh  
 and the sky a - bove the tree, wheth - er wet or bright,

Words: Anna Akhmatova, c. 1888–1966,  
 ⊕ trans. by Mark L. Belletini, 1949–  
 Music: Solesmes version of plainsong melody, adapt.

ADORO TE DEVOTE  
 7.5.7.5.D.

INSIGHT AND WISDOM





musical score with lyrics

sing a - gain their name-less tunes, sing a - gain, and strong.  
run-ning toward me si - lent - ly, love to for - ti - fy.  
is my ease and com - fort - ing, my good news and light.



## TODAY!

Get ready to relive the magic of the Garden Party Auction held on Sunday, October 20th! A huge shoutout to our 60+ amazing volunteers and all the generous attendees and donors who made it unforgettable. Don't miss the fabulous slideshow now showing in the Gallery.

### Richard Hardigan - The Wild West Bank: Lawless Settlers - Sunday, October 27, 9:30 am

Richard Hardigan reports that since Israel's control of the West Bank began in 1967, over 700,000 settlers have established themselves in illegal settlements, often motivated by ideological beliefs that justify the ethnic cleansing of Palestinians. Settler violence has escalated dramatically, particularly since October 7, with attacks increasing sevenfold, resulting in over 600 Palestinian deaths and the seizure of 37,000 acres of land. The situation is dire for vulnerable communities, such as the Palestinian shepherds in the South Hebron hills, as far-right government support emboldens settlers to intensify their aggression amidst global focus on the Gaza crisis. Zoom: <https://t.ly/102724UUForum>. You can phone in at +1 669 444 9171. Meeting ID: 919 6883 7793 Passcode: 791889.

### Trick or Treat for a Cause: Support UNICEF with Our Costumed Kids!

Join us after the service today to see our children/youth in costume as they trick or treat for UNICEF. Bring your donation to support this wonderful cause that helps children around the globe!

### New UU Class - Sunday, October 27, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, Fireside Room

Revs. Vanessa Rush Southern and Laura Shennum offer New UU, an interactive class that offers a deeper understanding of Unitarian Universalism and our congregation. Taking the class is also one of the steps to becoming a member; however, everyone is welcome, no matter their interest in joining UUSF.

### Commemorate The Visit of 'Abdu'l-Bahá To San Francisco - Sun, Oct. 27, 12:30 Courtyard & 1:00 pm Sanctuary

Join the Baha'is of SF and UUSF for a special event featuring historic speeches from 1912 by 'Abdu'l-Bahá and Rev. Bradford Leavitt.

## SOUL MATTERS (<https://www.uusf.org/soulmatters>)

### Poetry and Lunch with Robert Lavett Smith - Tuesday, October 29, noon to 12:30 pm on Zoom

October's theme is the practice of Deep Listening. Join Robert Lavett Smith for a Zoom gathering on Tuesday, October 29, from noon to 12:30 pm, to reflect on this month's theme poem. This is an opportunity to engage with the poet, share insights, and hear Bob's reflections on his writing and the sonnet form. Whether you've discussed the poem in small groups or experienced it individually, all are welcome to participate. No RSVP or preparation is needed; simply use the provided Zoom link to join (<https://t.ly/poemlunch>). Read *For Silences To Sing* on our Soul Matters webpage at <https://uusf.org/soulmatters#poem>

## WEATHERING THE ELECTIONS TOGETHER

### Election Night Watch Party at UUSF - Tuesday, November 5, Starting at 6:00 pm, Fireside Room

Anxious about the election? Join us for an Election Night Watch Party at UUSF, hosted by Revs Vanessa and Laura. Food and snacks will be provided. Reservations are not required, but letting us know your attendance helps plan food and room size. Sign up in the gallery on Sundays or register at <https://t.ly/electionnightuusf>

### Post-Election Community Gathering: Food, Songs, and Connection - Wednesday, November 6 6:30pm-8pm, TSK Room

Join us the day after the election for a community gathering to share food and sing songs, providing a supportive space to connect regardless of election outcomes. Bring a dish for the potluck and feel free to lead or join in singing, with hymnals available. This inclusive event welcomes individuals from all political backgrounds. Register: <https://t.ly/postelectionuusf>

# UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

## Join the Harmony: Experience 21V Choir's Inspiring Performance on November 3 at 1:30 pm in the Sanctuary

The Starr King Way Performance Series (SKWPS) featuring the 21V Choir will be held on November 3rd at 1:30 pm in the Sanctuary, after lunch. Titled "Reclaiming Radical 2.0," the event promotes community through song and includes collaborations with the Cantabile Youth Singers, honoring social justice figures. Admission is free with a suggested \$20 donation, offering pre-election inspiration and arts engagement. More info can be found at <https://www.uusf.org/skwps>

## Women's Group: Creative Afternoon on Reproductive Rights - Saturday, November 2, 3:00 pm, Fireside Room

Join us for a creative afternoon focused on reproductive rights on Saturday, November 2, from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm in the Fireside Room. Participants will have the opportunity to help design a reproductive rights banner for the church while enjoying some food and beverages. RSVP to [womensgroup@uusf.org](mailto:womensgroup@uusf.org). Email [Judy.L.Strachan@gmail.com](mailto:Judy.L.Strachan@gmail.com) to join the Women's Rights Group mailing list if you're not already on it.

## Discover Connection: Join Our Newcomer Small Group Taster Sessions! - Sundays, Nov 3 and 17, 9:30-10:30 am

Newcomers are invited to participate in Small Group Taster Sessions at UUSF on Sundays, November 3 and 17, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. These sessions, led by Membership Committee member Sue Anthony, aim to help newcomers explore the Small Group Ministry program, fostering connections and reflections within the community. RSVP at <https://t.ly/Newcomer-Small-Group>. Participants will receive reminders from Membership and Young Adult Manager Emma Wakeling prior to each session, and any inquiries can be directed to her via email [ewakeling@uusf.org](mailto:ewakeling@uusf.org).

## New to this community? New to Unitarian Universalism? - Sunday, November 3, 12:30 pm, Fireside Room

Newcomers are welcome to join us after the service to meet some of our members and learn more about our congregation and Unitarian Universalism. It's a great chance to meet other folks in the community, ask any questions you might have, and find out how to get involved in our programs and ministries. Free childcare is available to attendees who need it. We look forward to meeting you!

## Forum: Middle East War: Expectations for New Administration - Sun, Nov. 10, 9:30 am, TSK/Zoom

Dr. Stephen Zunes, a Professor of Politics and Director of Middle Eastern Studies at the University of San Francisco, will discuss U.S. support for Israel's military actions in the Middle East and the potential shifts in policy under the new administration. More info at <https://www.uusf.org/forum> Zoom: <https://t.ly/111024UUForum>.

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

If you're new, please familiarize yourself with the guidance and support available on Sundays below. If you have any questions, an usher, greeter, or member of staff will be happy to help.

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**Pets:** If you came with your pet, there is a pet-friendly section on the furthest section on the left toward the front of the sanctuary.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICE:** We can provide hearing assistance devices for the service. These are with the ushers in the back of the sanctuary, who will help you get oriented and comfortable with one.

**CANDLES:** In Unitarian Universalism we light candles to recognize sacred time, honor loved ones, mark important life events, and more. If you have something on your mind for which you'd like to light a candle, you are invited to come forward and light one silently during service.

**SOCIAL HOUR:** Everyone is welcome and invited to join us at social hour after service. This is normally in the courtyard (when weather permits) or in our Thomas Starr King room at the end of the hallway outside of the sanctuary. Help yourself to beverages and snacks!

**Welcome to UUSF: Connect and Discover**

**NEW TO UUSF?** Complete a Connections form to receive our newsletter, which includes a link to the Order of Service and Sunday Livestream. If you're at UUSF in person, you can find a yellow connections card at the welcome table in the gallery outside the sanctuary or in a pew in front of you. You can also fill it out online at <https://bit.ly/uuconnections2024>.

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## OUR SOCIETY'S VISION

We, The First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco, delight in our authentic, inclusive congregation that reaches across generations, ethnicities, and differences. We take care of one another, building spiritual community, knowing that we are stronger and accomplish more together. Guided by our responsibility to future generations, we take leadership in shaping a compassionate, sustainable world. Inspired by our courageous heritage and compelled by conscience, we hold one another accountable to work for racial, environmental, and economic justice and the dignity and rights of all.

## OUR SOCIETY'S MISSION

As a vibrant, joyous, caring, inclusive community of diverse people, we create a nurturing space for spiritual growth and learning. Based on our shared values, we work together courageously and publicly for human rights, economic justice, and environmental salvation.

## CONGREGATIONAL COVENANT (under construction)

In an effort to make the world a better place, we support each other's journey to seek truth with openness, curiosity and respect for different perspectives and paths.

As love is our spirit, we commit to respect, accept, listen to and support each other.

We hold ourselves and each other accountable by continually assessing our individual and community actions toward living into our covenant. This will include speaking up when someone's actions are not aligned.

We commit to be in community with openness and loving kindness, acknowledging our own biases and differing perspectives.

We welcome the newcomer, we commit to building trust with each other, we celebrate differences and make space for repair when harm occurs.

## UUSF MEDIA

View our videos <http://www.youtube.com/c/UUSFMedia>

Check out our Podcasts <https://www.uusf.org/worship-archives>

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