



Unitarian Universalist Congregation of South County

October 4, 2026

The first two rows of congregational seating are reserved
for a hearing-impaired zone.

Sounding the Chime

Welcome, Announcements and Introduction Johnnie Rodriguez

Opening Hymn *Bringing in the Sheaves* (song sheet included)

Chalice Lighting

We light this chalice as the symbol of our chosen faith.

*May its light remind us of the light inside each one of us, and
may it guide us to live by our principles.*

Opening Words *Lassie's Bark* (poem)

Reciting the Covenant Together

Love is the spirit of this congregation, and service is its prayer.

*This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,
To seek the truth in love, and to help one another.*

Joys and Concerns/Moment of Silence

Offering

Offertory *We Are...* Hymn #1051

Sermon *How I wrote the novel Alma of Rag Town*
Johnnie Rodriguez

Interlude *Love Lifted Me* (song sheet included)

Closing Words *My Grandmother's Hands* (poem)

Closing Hymn

Go Lifted Up

Hymn #1057

Extinguishing the Chalice

*We extinguish this chalice, but not its light.
That we take with us out into the world,
sharing it with those we encounter on our journey.*

Closing Circle

Carry the flame of peace and love until we meet again. (3x)

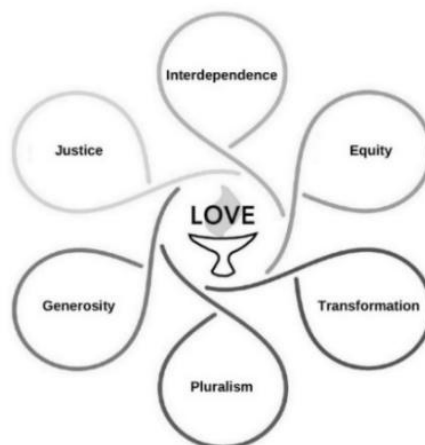


*Newcomers, please fill out a yellow welcome card, which
you can find in the back of the gray hymnal, and put it in with
the offering or give it to one of the greeters.*

Ami Pienknagura, Music Director

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Lura Lauf, Congregational Administrator; Amenata L. Botus, Congregational Bookkeeper



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