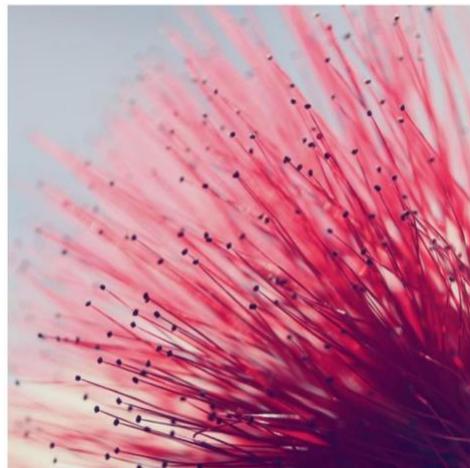


Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Redwood City

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These Little Wonders: Moments of Extraordinary Grace August 8, 2021

Whatever we might choose to call it—"blessing," "miracle," "synchronicity," "mystical experience," or that sudden and profound sensation that feels like "winning the cosmic lottery," each of us has the capacity to experience these moments, no matter what our faith tradition might be. Some theorize that each of us is given at least seven moments of extraordinary grace per year. So, how do we know when our moment has come, and—perhaps more importantly—what do we do with these moments when they arrive? Join us as we explore these little wonders, these moments of extraordinary grace.



Worship Leader: Kai Marks
Worship Associate: Tracey Fecher
Musical Director: Dawn Reyen
Pianist: Larry Chinn

Please silence all electronic devices and join us in this moment.

Gathering of our Community

WELCOME: Tracey Fecher

LIGHTING THE CHALICE: Tracey Fecher

(Adapted from words by Celia Thurston)

*We light this chalice for the intensity of our
reactions,*

In responding to grace and rejecting mediocrity

Within the tender balance of tradition and choice.

We light this chalice for being here now,

Out of Calling,

Out of Commitment,

Out of Love

OPENING HYMN: Sovereign and Transforming Grace,
SLT #33

Connecting within Our Community

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dick Edminster

JOYS AND SORROWS: Tracey Fecher

MUSICAL BRIDGE "Theme from Dying Young" by
James Newton Howard

MEDITATION: Tracey Fecher

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY:

"Moment to Moment" - Henry Mancini &
Johnny Mercer

Deepening

READING: "Grace Bats Last," by Caroline Myss,
Read by Tracey Fecher

SPECIAL MUSIC: "These Little
Wonders," by Rob Thomas,
performed by Beverly Morgan and
Dawn Reyen

SERMON: "These Little Wonders: Moments of
Extraordinary Grace"
-Kai Marks

Returning to Life in Service

CLOSING HYMN: Come Thou Fount of Every
Blessing, SLT #126

EXTINGUISHING THE FLAME: Kai Marks

*"We extinguish this flame, but not the light
of truth, the warmth of community, or the
fire of commitment. These we carry in our
hearts until we are together again."*

— Elizabeth Sëlle Jones

CLOSING WORDS: Kai Marks

Thank you for joining us. Please stay after the service for virtual coffee.

Welcome to the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Redwood City

If you would like more information about this liberal religious congregation, check out the UUFRC Facebook page (facebook.com/uufrc), visit our website (RedwoodCityUU.org) for news and events, or request a call from our Minister.

Visitors: Visitors are always welcome to participate in UUFRC events and activities. During this time, some are being conducted virtually. To see what is happening, please check out our Facility Calendar on our website: <https://www.uufrc.org/upcoming-events/calendar-of-events/>. For more information about this liberal religious congregation, please request a call from our Connections Coordinator, learn more at: <https://www.uufrc.org/connection/visiting-us/>

Sunday Offering: A familiar Sunday Service is a critical part of life for many of us. We are happy you joined us. If you would like to support our programs, you can donate now!
<https://www.uufrc.org/community/giving/>

Thank you our virtual service support team

We would like to give a very heartfelt THANK YOU to all the wonderful volunteers working on and off screen during today's service. It definitely takes a dedicated and hard-working team to make the virtual service run as wonderful as they do.

Online Host: Jen Bahr-Davidson

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Video Recording: Rob Versluis

Music Support: Dawn Reyen & Larry Chinn

Sound: Greg Stovall

Social Hour Host: Jen Bahr-Davidson

Website Support: Crystal Valdez-Chandra

Grounds Crew: Jonelle Pressier & Peter Hartzell

Video Production Larry Chinn

Announcements: Dick Edminster

Support:

Mission Statement UUFRC

We are a welcoming and inclusive community of individuals of all ages who seek spiritual meaning, empower personal growth, build connections with our neighbors, act for justice, and inspire others to join us.

Our Principles in Brief

This congregation is part of the larger Unitarian Universalist Association. Together, we covenant to affirm and promote Seven Principles:

1. The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
2. Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
3. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
4. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
5. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
6. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
7. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

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