

Throop: Love. Compassion. Justice.

We are a welcoming community, loving the world from the heart of Pasadena through compassion and justice for ourselves, our neighbors, and our planet.

“Rejection is Redirection”

Rev. Dr. Tera Landers (She/Her)

-Senior Minister

Jessica Ferstand (She/Her)

- Office Manager & Events

Malcolm Hawkes (They/He)

-Musician-in-Residence

Faith Nagel (She/Her)

-Children’s Program Coordinator

Prelude

Ballade Pour Adeline
-Richard Clayderman

**Ismael Montes Leyva,
Hari K. Chavaly**

GATHERING

Welcome

Rev. Dr Tera Landers

Chalice Lighting

Rachel Ryan

Welcome Hymn

Come, Come, Whoever You Are #188

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Welcoming Each Other

CONNECTING

Promise to Our Planet

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As members of the family of living beings on earth,
we are guided by the Unitarian Universalist principle of
“respect for the interdependent web of all existence,
of which we are a part.”

With hearts filled with love for it,
eyes nurtured by its beauty,
and minds ruminating on ways to protect
Earth’s sacred and abundant gifts,
we promise to nurture the wellbeing of all life,
and of the planet itself.

Wisdom from Sacred Traditions

Why We Dance
-Hafiz

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Blessing the Floor Beneath Us

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*Congregational Response: We bless the floor beneath us; they support our values of love, compassion,
and justice.*

Singing Children and Program Leader to Kids Dig In!

*For you shall go out in joy (2x)
And come back in peace (2x)
Blessed be.*

Monthly Worship Theme:
"Beginning A New ..."



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Pondering

Mirrorball (Excerpts)
-Taylor Swift

Ripley Ryan

Musical Interlude

How Could Anyone?

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GRATITUDE

Offering

You may give online at <https://onrealm.org/throopuupasadena/give/now>, or Text "THROOPGIVE" to 73256 to give using your mobile device. For gifts of cash, please use the envelope in the pew if you wish to note your name. Thank you for your generous support.

Offertory

Stand By Me
-Ben E. King

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Gratitude for the Gifts We Share

With gratitude for the ministries of the church
that hold us and embolden us to love the world,
we bless our offering and the many gifts we share.

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RECEIVING

Centering Hymn

Open My Heart

#1013

Pastoral Prayer and Shared Stillness *Prayer for Opening Your Heart*

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Musical Reflection

I Wish You Would
-Taylor Swift

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Our Life Together

Ripley Ryan

Closing Hymn

Love Will Guide Us

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Benediction

Postlude

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Thank you to our Sunday Volunteers

Greeter/Usher: Shawn Sweeney

Livestream:

Coffee and Conversation Host: Tom Rosenstein

Throop Choir: Mari Arai, Aarav Arikara, Teresa Bailey, Season Blake, Jaclyn Cosgrove, Cathy Fabre, Dre Helmns, Erin Herndon, Spencer Kramber, Astraia Miles, Tamy Parra, George Patton, Jean Prinz, Matthew Reed, Ripley Ryan, Taran Sindeband

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For weekly e-updates on activities, sign up on our "Stay in Touch" QR code (in the rear of the Sanctuary),
or on our website at www.throopuupasadena.org.

Unitarian Universalist Principles and Purposes

