

Upcoming Worship Focus - April 12 2026

Learning a New Response

Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

In a famous set of experiments, psychologist Albert Bandura helped people unlearn their fear of snakes—not through reasoning, but through watching others gently touch what they feared.

Sometimes transformation doesn't come from within. Sometimes it comes from witnessing—seeing, in someone else's body, a new way to be. Where in your life might fear loosen, if you didn't have to face it alone?

Here's how to contact the worship team:

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Our Minister and Staff

Minister: Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

Community Minister Emerita: Reverend Sue Ayer

Music Director: Raymond Elliott

Accompanist: Alex Frazier

Religious Exploration Coordinator: Christine Hinderer



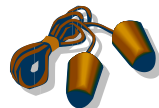
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April 5, 2026

In-Person Service

On-line Service: <https://uuccwc.org/zoom-worship/>



UCCWC Vision Statement

A welcoming, liberal religious community
where we care for and encourage each other to

Free the Mind

Grow the Spirit

Reach out to the World

Sunday, April 5, 2026 at 10:00 am

Prelude Alex Frazier

Gathering

Singing Bowl Kathleen LaFlamme

Introit *I'm Going to Go Back There*, by Kenneth L. Asher & Paul Williams¹
UCCWC Choir

Congregational Life Kathleen LaFlamme

Call to Worship Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

Welcome Verse Christine Hinderer

Opening Hymn #346 *Come, Sing a Song With Me*

Unison Reading of the UCCWC Covenant of Right Relations

Nurturing Our Community

Chalice Lighting words by Sangye Hawke

Joys and Concerns Kathleen LaFlamme

Meditation Hymn #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.*

Reflection Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

Time for All Ages Jim Henson
Christine Hinderer

Offering Words Kathleen LaFlamme

Exploring

Reflective Reading
excerpt from *Deep Kindergarten*, by Robert Fulghum
Kevin Rex

Congregational Hymn #377 *In Greening Lands*
(to the tune of #371)

Congregational Reading Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

Choir Anthem *Rainbow Connection*, Kenneth L. Asher & Paul Williams¹
UCCWC Choir

Sermon Easter: The Love That Remains
Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

Returning

Closing Hymn #1074 *Turn the World Around*²
words by Harry Belafonte & Robert Freedman, arr. by Jason Shelton
(*Turn the World Around* was performed at Jim Henson's memorial service.)

Closing Words Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

Chalice Extinguishing words by Rebekah Savage

Invitation to Fellowship Kathleen LaFlamme

Postlude Alex Frazier

Thank you to today's additional helpers

Zoom Host: Bernal Cruz
Producer: Pamela Midyett
Sound Tech: Mark Bischoff
Board Member on Duty:
Usher/Greeters: Gayle Goodman and Rebecca Long

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Love After Death, Unto Life

Leader:

Jesus taught people to love.

All:

We remember the directive: Love one another.

People:

Jesus was no stranger to death.

Leader:

When Lazarus, his friend, was sick, Jesus went to him.

People:

But it was too late.

Leader:

Lazarus was dead, and upon losing his friend,

People:

Thus, Jesus wept.

Leader:

We remember Jesus's caring.

All:

We remember the directive: Love one another.

Leader:

Renee Good and Alex Pretti were no strangers to injustice.

People:

But still, helping their neighbors,

Leader:

they died in the streets.

People:

Thus, we wept.

Leader:

We remember Renee and Alex's courage.

All:

We remember the directive: Love one another.

Leader:

Jim Henson brought literacy, friendship, and creativity to millions of children through the Muppets.

People:

The Muppets teach us to be kind and stick together.

Leader:

Jim Henson died May 16, 1990. Many children grieved his death and celebrated his life through Muppets and conversation.

People:

Thus, the children wept.

Leader:

We remember Jim Henson's kindness and creativity.

All:

We remember the directive: Love one another.

Leader:

In the words of the wise King Solomon:

People:

Love is stronger than death.

Leader:

Love stops at nothing.

All:

So may it be.



UUCCWC Covenant

Holding this community dear and inspired by our common principles, the spirit in me welcomes the spirit in you.

We celebrate our connections
and our diversity

We care for one another
and for ourselves

We listen to one another with
respect and open hearts,
intending to understand

We speak to one another
with kindness, intending
to be understood

We all share our gifts to build
and nurture this beloved
community, our spiritual home

We commit to being in covenant,
and are willing to come back into
covenant when needed.

