

Upcoming Worship Focus - May 10, 2026

**What We Owe Each Other in the Wilderness**

Rev. JeKaren Bell

We have always known how to carry each other. This sermon is about what happens when we forget that, and what becomes possible when we choose to remember, not as an act of charity, but as an act of love.

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**May 3, 2026**

**In-Person Service**

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## 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, May 3, 2026 at 10:00 am

Prelude Alex Frazier

## Gathering

Singing Bowl Karey Cruz

Introit *Imagine*, by John Lennon  
UCCWC Choir

Congregational Life Karey Cruz

Opening Hymn #347 *Gather the Spirit*

Unison Reading of the UCCWC Covenant of Right Relations

## Nurturing Our Community

Chalice Lighting words by Bets Wienecke  
Emily Bostian

Time for All Ages Anansi and the Pot of Wisdom  
Christine Hinderer

Singing the Children Out *As You Go*, by Kathleen Tracy

*We hold you in our love as you go, as you go.*

*May your heart be at peace as you go.*

*To nurture the spark of your precious life,*

*We hold you in our love as you go.*

Joys and Concerns Karey Cruz

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.*

Offering Words Karey Cruz

## Exploring

Reflective Reading The Seasons of a Tree  
Karey Cruz

Choir Anthem *Now Let Us Sing*, by A.B. Windom  
UCCWC Choir

Sermon The Edge of What We Know  
Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

## Returning

Closing Hymn #1021 *Lean on Me*<sup>1</sup>

Benediction Rev. Julián Jamaica Soto

Chalice Extinguishing words by Barbara Cheatham  
Emily Bostian

Invitation to Fellowship Karey Cruz

Postlude Alex Frazier

## **Thank you to today's additional helpers**

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## *There's a Team*

by Cheyenne Herlandstein & Kim Stein

(Chorus)

There's a team around here for every  
darn thing

Yes, everything under the sun

There's a space for your passion and  
talents

There's a place for everyone

## UCCWC 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.



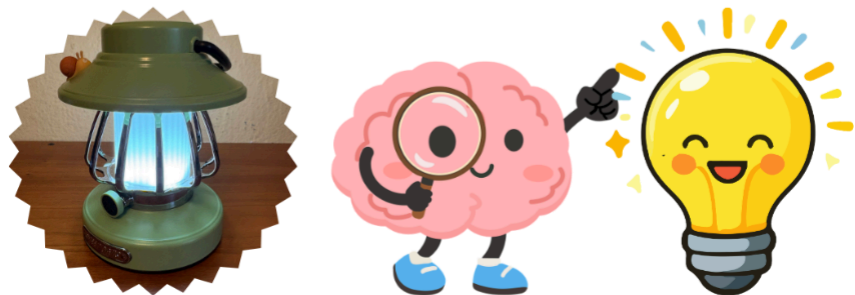
# Curious?

**Curious about this insert?** Activities for the Religious Exploration Program are listed on the other side of this **NEW!** insert. In **MAY** the theme of **CURIOSITY** will be present in service and in the lessons and activities downstairs.

## **Curious about Joys & Concerns for the children?**

Religious Exploration Lessons begin with sharing Joys & Concerns using a basket of stones and a sand bowl. Children and volunteers place a stone and share. If they don't have words they participate by placing their stone. The stone will be there for them all week. Maker's Space and LEGO Sundays include a less formal check in while children and youth craft and build. **NEW!** Children, youth and families are invited to share their Joys & Concerns at the front of the Sanctuary as part of the Time for All Ages.

**Curious about our lantern? NEW!** Children will carry the light of the congregation chalice downstairs with them each Sunday.



# Curiosity

**In May the Religious Exploration (RE) program will explore curiosity in service and in RE Lessons.**

## **05/03 - Religious Exploration Lessons**

This lesson will explore how curiosity is a bridge to a world with wiser people.

*Children & Youth begin in the Sanctuary.*

## **05/10 - Maker's Space Sunday**

Crafting in community with peers. No lesson.

*Children & Youth begin in the Sanctuary.*

## **05/17 - All Ages Service School Transitions & Bridging**

*Children & Youth remain upstairs.*

## **05/24 - Religious Exploration Lessons**

This lesson will explore how curiosity is a bridge to the world of our future-self.

*Children & Youth begin in the Sanctuary.*

## **05/31 LEGO Sunday**

LEGO in community with peers. No lesson.

*Children & Youth begin in the Sanctuary.*