

Allen Avenue Unitarian Universalist Church

August 30, 2026

Earth – A Planet Worth Protecting

Climate Café leaders

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Barb Murray
CALL TO WORSHIP	by Margaret Kelp	Susie Hubley
LIGHTING THE CHALICE	by Michael Meade	Barb Murray
*HYMN	#21, For the Beauty of the Earth	
REFLECTION	Love at the Center	Erica Bartlett
JOYS & SORROWS, PRAYER		Erica Bartlett
MUSICAL MEDITATION		Mike Luce
REFLECTION	Growing Native Plants	Susie Hubley
INVITATION TO GENEROSITY		Susie Hubley
OFFERTORY	<i>Images from Artemis II Mission, music by Enya</i>	
POEM	Prayer for Creation in Climate Crisis by Tera Landers	
REFLECTION	Priorities	Mike Luce
*HYMN	#163, For the Earth Forever Turning	
REFLECTION	My Life in a Climate Changed World	Barb Murray
*HYMN	#1064, Blue Boat Home	
BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE	<i>Our worship has ended... and our service begins!</i>	
POSTLUDE		Mike Luce

*Please rise in body and/or in spirit

Worship service led by Erica Bartlett, Susie Hubley, Barb Murray, and Mike Luce. If you're interested in learning more about the climate café, please speak to one of us.

Books referenced:

Human Nature: Nine Ways to Feel About Our Changing Planet by Kate Marvel

The Reindeer Chronicles: And Other Inspiring Stories of Working with Nature to Heal the Earth by Judith D. Schwartz

We are grateful to all the tech and Zoom team for ensuring that the mechanics of this service work!

Share the Plate for July is Project FEED, which provides food and household supplies to take home for individuals and families in crisis. You can learn more at: <https://www.safemaine.org/>

ALLEN AVENUE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

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MISSION: At Allen Avenue Unitarian Universalist Church, we are a growing community that transforms lives through the power of love. We celebrate diversity, encourage spiritual growth, and promote social responsibility as we travel with care on this earth. We empower our members to share their gifts to build a world of compassion, equality, and freedom.

If you are visiting and would like to know more about our church, please speak to one of our morning worship leaders following the program.

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