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Countryside Church
Unitarian Universalist

Rev. Dr. Emma K. Farrell, Minister

September 13, 2026
Ingathering & Water Communion

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Gathering Music at 9:55 am Dr. Janice L. Razaq, piano

Welcome & Announcements at 10 am Mike Berry, Board member

–Order of Worship–

Prelude *Song for a New Beginning* by Rolf Lovland
Karen Noorani, violin; Paul Schmidt, saw

Welcome/Call to Worship Adam Lunter, Jeff Oremland

Chalice Lighting *Lighting Our Way Together* by Rev. Dr. Emma Farrell

Covenant We unite to strengthen the bonds of kinship among all persons; to promote human dignity; and to increase reverence for life's creating, sustaining, and transforming power through worship, study, and service

Hymn # 188 *Come, Come, Whoever You Are*
Words adapted from Rumi (1207-1273), music by UU Lynn Adair Ungar

Message for All Ages *Thunderstorm* Dr. Mary Shelden & Alison Vernon

Sharing/Offering

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- cash or check in the offering plate (envelopes are available on the hymnal carts); OR
- Use the QR code below or go to https://bit.ly/CCUUgive, create a profile & follow on screen instructions; OR
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Musical Offering Dr. Janice L. Razaq, piano

Meditation/Quieting Rev. Dr. Emma K. Farrell

Hymns below #1000 are in grey hymnal Hymns #1000 & above are in teal hymnal

Joys and Concerns Ellen Vinzani, Lay Minister

Reflection Hymn #123 *Spirit of Life*

Message Rev. Dr. Emma K. Farrell

Water Communion Ritual

For Water Communion, please come forward down the center aisle and return by the side aisles. If you forgot your water, we have pitchers of water available for you to use.

Music *Water is Life – Mni Wiconi* by Sara Thomsen ©2016 Sara Thomsen

Benediction Rev. Dr. Farrell

Extinguishing the Chalice

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of its truth,
the warmth of this community, nor the fire of our commitment.
These we carry in our hearts and share with all the world.
~ Elizabeth Selle Jones

Postlude *A Place in the Choir* by Bill Staines
Karen Noorani, fiddle; Collin Smith, drums

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Note: Religious Exploration (RE) classes for children & youth begin next Sunday, Sept 20; the Nursery is open. Today after worship, young people and their grown-ups are invited to view the classrooms and to meet the teachers ~ grab a snack and bring it to the north end for a preview of what's to come in RE this year!

Thank you to:

- Worship Associate: Leslie Peet, Adam Lunter
- Greeter(s): Bev and Rob Leachman
- Usher(s): Kevin Christensen, Dan Yokas
- Coffee Host: David Williams

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