

Order of Presentation

Welcome, Visitors, Greetings, Announcements

Prelude

Superman Song by Crash Test Dummies – Rev. Mike Morran

Chalice Lighting (in Unison)

*May the Light we now kindle,
Inspire us to use our powers,
To heal and not to harm,
To help and not to hinder
To Bless and not to curse, To serve you, Spirit of Freedom*

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Hymn

#118 – *This Little Light of Mine*

Offertory

Music

Holy Now by Peter Mayer - Rev. Mike Morran

Reflection

“Fungal Love” by Rev. Mike Morran

Fellowship Response

Closing Hymn

#396 – *I Know This Rose Will Open*

Extinguishing the Chalice (in Unison)

*We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth,
the warmth of community or the fire of commitment.
These we carry in our hearts, until we are together again.*

Closing Circle & Blessing

Welcome One and All to Our Social Time!

If you are a visitor, we're so glad you came today! Join us after this Gathering, for Social Time. Let's get acquainted over coffee, tea and treats donated by our members.

Be sure to fill out our Visitor Information Form [at the Welcome Table] so we can stay in touch.

Everyone, please help with the take-down of stacking chairs, cleaning coffee pots, mugs, utensils, counters and whatever else needs to be done. **A big thanks to all who made today's Gathering possible.**

Who's Who Today

Speaker: Rev. Mike Morran grew up a city kid in Chicago, attending the Unitarian Universalist Church of Evanston, Illinois. Like many UU churches of that time, they were caught up in the social activism of the 1960s, and Mike remembers thinking that religion is what happens when you pitch in with your friends and family to help someone out. Recycling drives, serving soup to the poor, visiting nursing homes, and cleaning up city lots with rakes and garbage bags were early and formative church experiences.

After dropping out of high school and several years of itinerant labor, he started college in his early twenties, spent eight years in engineering, followed by three years working with the mentally ill. Mike lovingly refers to working with the mentally ill as excellent training for the ministry.

Seminary in 94, married in 95', first child in 97', ordained in 98', Mike has been settled at 1 st Unitarian Society of Denver since 2002. After 27 years of marriage, Mike and Tammy very recently became empty-nesters for the first time.

Upcoming Events to Add to Your Calendar

Sunday Oct. 16, at 4:00 pm: Zoom discussion “Does the US need a Third Political Party?”. Send links to relevant materials to Mike Weeda.

Sunday, Oct. 23 at 4:00 pm: Rev. Aaron Norris at LOTM.

Sunday, Oct. 30 at 4:00 pm: Zoom discussion – sharing, venting, commiserating, or whatever.

Sunday, November 6, details later: Pot Luck at home of Pat McShane

Sunday November 13 at 4 pm: Leon Little Bird at LOTM

You can also visit our website www.hcuuf.org for information about upcoming events. Inquires can be directed to info@hcuuf.org.

HCUUF Mission Statement and Principles

It is the purpose of the High Country Unitarian Universalist Fellowship [HCUUF] to be a community filled with love, beauty, and compassion. We are committed to freedom of opinion, expression, and spirituality. We seek to be of service to each other, our families, our larger community, and our natural environment. We covenant and promote the Principles of the Unitarian Universalist Association of which HCUUF is a member. Learn more at www.uua.org.

Financial Support

We are grateful for your contributions made at the Gathering Offering, which represents about 10% of our income. The rest comes from pledges. If you have not done so already, we hope you will consider making a pledge.

Membership

New members are always welcome! Speak to any member if you want to participate as a friend, or become a member yourself. We'd love to have you share your talents with us in either capacity.



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October 9, 2022

Rev. Mike Morran

“Fungal Love”

Fragrance-Free Policy

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