

BRADFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
LIVING SPIRITUALLY, LEADING BRAVELY, LOVING BOLDLY

Music Ministry

Director of Community Worship: Patti Fitchett

Music Director: Rhys-Maxwell Barnes

10:00 A.M. Sunday, August 16th, 2026

Sung Meditation

- Sarah Dan Jones

*When I breathe in, I breathe in peace
When I breathe out, I breathe out love.*

Welcome & Call to Worship

Prelude – *Only In Silence the Word*

- Urusula leGuin

Opening Reading – *God Says Yes To Me*

- Kaylin Haught

Chalice Lighting

- Deanna Vandiver

*As we light a chalice, a container of air, earth, and fire,
this ritual of our faith
reminds our subtle-and-crashing-about beings
that we are part of a collective—
a community of care and connection,
courage and questions, scared and sacred together.
Today we gather with intention and creativity,
releasing what we must, shaping what we will,
in a space made possible
by generations of community care
and the courage of connection.*

Conference Reflection #1 – *Find Peace*

Opening Song – *Be Still And Breathe “Yes Indeed”*

- Loretta K. Notareschi and Gabe Perbieri

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Conference Reflection #2 – *Lead with Love*

Song – *Lead with Love*

- Melanie DeMore

Offertory – *Ecossaise WoO 23*

- Ludwig van Beethoven

Conference Reflection #3 – *Sing Out Joy*

Closing Song – *This Joy*

- Shirley Cesear

Extinguishing the Chalice

- Joseph Cleveland

*May we hear the melody of Life
and find ourselves singing harmony.
May we be open to the dissonances
in the Song of the Land and Its People,
that we might be part of the World's urging
toward Justice, Peace, and Love.*

Benediction

- Maureen Killoran

Postlude – *Lead with Love* (reprise)

- Melanie DeMore

Announcements

Please join us after the service for coffee hour.

IN GRATITUDE

Special thanks to Patti Fitchett, Destiny Cooks, Dani Lockwood, David Lockwood, our Sound Team, and those who provided hospitality.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT BRADFORD UU

Sunday, August 16: Music Ministry

Sunday, August 23: Rev. Dawn Cooley's First Service!

Sunday, August 30: Animal Blessing

CUSH ANNUAL FALL BANQUET

Tickets are now available for the **CUSH Annual Fall Banquet** on October 29th, 2026 5-9 pm.

Go to cushkenosha.com for more information and to purchase tickets online.

HELP US BRIGHTEN THE SIGN!

Looking for witty, inspirational messages for Bradford's Road Sign! Messages can be two lines, up to 35 characters total, including spaces. Email suggestions to bradforduu@gmail.com and/or to Carolyn.Feldt@gmail.com. Rough ideas or themes welcome!

POWER OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION TRAINING

WISDOM is offering a **FREE, five-week Power of Community Organizing (POCO) virtual training** to help community members, leaders, and organizers strengthen their organizing skills. Sessions will be held on Wednesdays from **6:30–8:00 PM CT via Zoom**: September 9, 16, 23, 30, and October 7. **Questions?** Contact office@wisdomwisconsin.org.

BOOK CLUB SUGGESTIONS

Bradford's Book Club is asking for book suggestions for our new reading list. We read a mix of fiction and nonfiction, all genres, both classics and newer releases. Any book that will lead to a thoughtful and lively discussion will be considered, and those available in multiple formats are preferred. **Contact Jennifer at jjburns1966@gmail.com**

SUPPORTERS OF SHELTER

Supporters of Shelter is collecting clean, new, or gently used sleeping bags and N95 masks for Kenoshaans living outside due to lack of housing. Cash donations are also welcome, and we will do the shopping. **Please drop off donations at church by August 30.** Questions? Contact Diane Giles at 2020grandmafly@gmail.com.

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