

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

The Risk of Transformation

Minister: Rev. Dawn Cooley

Director of Community Worship: Patti Fitchett

Worship Companion: Teri Chadd

Musician: Rhys-Maxwell Barnes



10:00 A.M. Sunday, October 18th, 2026

Sung Meditation

- Sara Dan Jones

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

Welcome & Call to Worship

Prelude – *Finding Our Way*

- Bernice Martin

Chalice Lighting

- Bets Wienecke

*May this flame,
symbol of transformation since time began,
fire our curiosity,
strengthen our wills,
and sustain our courage
as we seek what is good within and around us.*

Opening Song #108 – *My Life Flows On In Endless*

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Meditation – *Transformation*

- Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer

Sung Response – *There is a Love*

- Elizabeth H. Norton, Rebecca Ann Parker

Offertory – *Largo*

- GF Handel

Moment for All Ages – *The Day You Begin*

- Jacqueline Woodson (Author), R. López (Illustrator)

The Risk of Transformation

Silent Meditation/Special Music – *Waiting on the World to Change* - *Playing For Change* (song around the world)

Closing Song #391 – *Voice Still and Small*

Extinguishing the Chalice

- Rev. Dawn Cooley (adapted)

*Let us go out into the world singing.
We know these songs. They vibrate through time, in our very souls.
They are the songs that give us life.
They are the songs that give us meaning.
They are the songs that give us purpose.
Now it is our turn, to take these life-giving songs out into the world.
We extinguish our Chalice—singing these songs with voices deep and strong.
And may the world join us in praise and in celebration and in love.*

Benediction – *Letter From Our Better Angels*

- Rev. Sean Parker Dennison

Postlude – *To Grow is to Change*

- Loretta Notareschi

Announcements

Please join us after the service for coffee and conversation.

IN GRATITUDE

Special thanks to Rhys-Maxwell Barnes, Teri Chadd, Destiny Cooks, David Lockwood, Carolyn Feldt, Bob Estes, and those who provided hospitality.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT BRADFORD UU

Sunday, October 18: The Risk of Transformation

Sunday, October 25: The Dark Half of the Year

SOCIAL CONCERNS MEETING

Bradford's Social Concerns committee will meet this **Sunday, October 18th after the service**. All are welcome to attend as we work on a number of projects focused on our UU values of Justice, Equity, Transformation, Generosity, Interdependence, and Pluralism, all centered around Love. **Contact** socialconcerns@bradforduu.org for an agenda before the meeting.

SHARING CIRCLE DISCUSSION GROUPS ARE BACK!

Our **4th Sunday discussion group** (formerly Soul Matters, now Woven Faith) will **resume downstairs after church on Sunday October 25**. All are welcome and our topic this month will be Living the Questions. **Any questions, just email Patti Fitchett at** worshipdirector@bradforduu.org.

BINGO WITH MARIANNE AND JOY!

Come play Bingo with Marianne and Joy! **Friday, October 23rd 7:00pm in the church sanctuary**. We'll have pizza, soda, and dessert. Have lots of prizes for the winners. Come join in the fun of bingo with us. **We have 14 seats available for Bingo! Suggested donation of \$20 per person. (It's for the church!)**

BCCUU FALL CLEAN-UP

Join us **Saturday, October 24, at 10:00 a.m.** to help beautify Bradford's church yard! We'll tackle mowing, weeding, trimming, drains, and more. **Bring your work gloves!** Many hands make light work. **Questions? Contact Diane Giles at** fob@bradforduu.org.

ANNUAL SAMHAIN PLAY

Join us on **Sunday October 25 for The Dark Half of the Year**. Our annual Samhain Play by Dani Lockwood and celebration of Halloween. This service is family friendly and all are invited to attend in costume.

KENOSHA NAACP 2026 FREEDOM FUND DINNER

The Kenosha NAACP 2026 Freedom Fund Dinner is **November 6th at the UW-Parkside Ballroom**. For more information, email: kenoshanaacp@gmail.com or text: +1 (262) 358-7783.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: REPRESENT BRADFORD ON THE CUSH BOARD

Bradford is seeking a volunteer to represent our congregation on the CUSH Board. As a founding member, Bradford has been an active member of the interfaith social justice organization for 26 years. Be part of a network of activists working for systemic change in Kenosha. Questions? **Reach out to** socialconcerns@bradforduu.org.

SCRIP CARDS BY RAISE-RIGHT – AVAILABLE



Use Scrip cards to help the church! A portion of each card sold goes to support Bradford UU's operating budget.

Sign up at the Scrip Table after service or contact either at carolynfeldt@att.net or kenntack@ameritech.net.

DONATE WITH YOUR PHONE

If you would like to donate to Bradford UU you may use the QR code here to be directed to our online donation portal and make a donation via credit card or bank account. We thank you for your generous support! Visit www.bradforduu.org/giving for more details.

