

THE ORACLE

August 2026

Unitarian Universalists embrace six shared values:

- **Interdependence:** We honor the interdependent web of all existence and acknowledge our place in it.
- **Pluralism:** We are all sacred beings, diverse in culture, experience, and theology.
- **Justice:** We work to be diverse multicultural Beloved Communities where all feel welcome and can thrive.
- **Transformation:** We adapt to the changing world.
- **Generosity:** We cultivate a spirit of gratitude and hope.
- **Equity:** We declare that every person is inherently worthy and has the right to flourish with dignity, love, and compassion.



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SCHEDULE OF SUMMER PROGRAMS

Summer services are held in the Parish House. This year's theme is Creative Spark.

August 2nd: "Weaving" - Elyse Palmer

August 9th: "Creative Writing"- Maribeth Edmonds

August 16th: Church Picnic at Bicentennial Park

August 23rd: "Art"- Ed Pechin

August 30th: "Music"- John Hyatt and Evan Andrae

September 6th: No Service, Labor Day Weekend

September 13th: Sanctuary Season Begins



CHURCH PICNIC AT BICENTENNIAL PARK AUGUST 16TH

Please bring a dish to share. The Church will be providing baked chicken.

Schedule for Church Picnic

10:30am-11:00am- Music

11:00am-11:15am- Set up

11:15am-12:00pm- Clean up

12:15pm-1:00pm- Trivia



PAGAN GROUP

The Pagan Group explores Earth based beliefs and ritual practices. We are learning together as a group and share responsibility for creating rituals. The group will meet at 7:00 pm in the Parish House on the following dates:

- Saturday August 1st- Lammas
- Friday August 28- Full moon
- Tuesday September 22- Mabon
- Saturday September 26- Full moon



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COME CELEBRATE WITH US
SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST AT 7:00PM

AT THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
346 CHESTNUT STREET, MEADVILLE – PARISH HOUSE
No animals permitted, only service dogs welcome

- *Ritual*
- *Craft*
- *Food and Drink*

SOUP ON SATURDAY



SOUP ON SATURDAYS 3:00-5:00 PM

Join us in supporting the Meadville community with donating to Soup on Saturdays. We will be serving soups to the community. We are looking for donations or soup ingredients (dry foods, stocks, cans and fresh veggies). We are also accepting any monetary donations. Most importantly, we are looking for volunteers. Contact Jodi Sipos with any questions or donations 814-724-4023 or church@uumeadville.org. Check our Facebook page for what we are serving every Saturday.



FAITH IN ACTION

SOUP KITCHEN

Every second Friday each month a group of UU volunteers serve meals at the Meadville Area Soup kitchen as a way to help alleviate some of the symptoms of poverty in our region. You are welcome to volunteer.



WHY WE SHARE

AUGUST'S SHARE-THE-PLATE RECIPIENT: CRAWFORD COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

In 1952, fifteen compassionate people came together to establish a safe haven for their community's lost, abandoned and unwanted animals. After functioning as a successful foster network for twenty years, the organization was able to build the current facility on Kennedy Hill Road. The Crawford County Humane Society continues to expand its facility and services in order to meet the needs of the community.



AUGUST SAVE THE DATE

MEDITATION GROUP

Mondays at 5:15 pm
Mondays - Fridays at 10:00 am

SOUP ON SATURDAYS

Saturdays 3:00-5:00 pm

PAGAN GROUP LAMMAS

Saturday 1st 7:00 pm

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Friday 7th 9:00am

SINGING RESISTANCE MEADVILLE

Tuesday 11th at 6:00 pm
Tuesday 25th at 6:00 pm

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 11th at 11:00 am

SOUP KITCHEN

Friday 14th at 10:00 am

UU WOMEN'S GROUP

Wednesday 19th at 1:00 pm

ORACLE SUBMISSIONS DEADLINE

Monday 27th by 9:00 am

PAGAN GROUP FULL MOON

Wednesday 28th at 7:00 pm



RESOURCES

UU- Useful Web Links

UU Church of Meadville:

www.uumeadville.org

Oracle: www.uumeadville.org/Oracles

UUA: www.uua.org

UU Service Committee: www.uusc.org



RIDES TO SERVICE

If you need a ride to any event or to Sunday's worship service, please call the church office by 9:00 am on Wednesday and leave a message (814-724-4023).

2026 –2027 Church Officers

President and Liaison to Worship Committee
and Liaison to the Minister and the Music
Director: Josh Searle-White

Vice-President, Capital Projects Coordinator
and Liaison to Properties and Soup on
Saturday Rick Holmgren

Treasurer and RE Liaison and to the Office
Administrator: Jane Anderson

Secretary: Melissa Mansfield

Stewardship Chair and Liaison to the Caring
Committee : P. Todd Fox

Liaison to Events Committee: Lew Trumble

Church Staff

Community Care Minister:

Rev. Jane Ellen Nickell

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Monday & Thursday: 9:30AM-11:30AM

Music Director: Aimee Reash

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Monday-Friday: 7:30AM – 1:30PM