

UU Church of Columbia, MO
Rev. Dr. Molly Housh Gordon, Minister

September 6, 2026
“Barely Gettin’ By”
Labor Day
Molly Housh Gordon

Gathering Song – “When You Arrive” by Annie Zylstra

Welcome

Prelude – Mark Price

Opening Words

Hymn #368 - “Now Let Us Sing”

<i>Now let us sing, sing, sing</i>	<i>Sing to the power of the faith within.</i>
<i>Now let us sing, sing, sing</i>	<i>Sing to the power of the faith within.</i>
<i>Lift up your voice, be not afraid;</i>	<i>Lift up your voice, be not afraid;</i>
<i> sing to the power of the</i>	<i> sing to the power of the</i>
<i> faith within</i>	<i> faith within</i>

Sing to the power of the hope within ...

Sing to the power of the love within. ...

Sing to the power of the joy within. ...

Chalice Lighting & Words of Affirmation

*Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its law;
 this is our great covenant:
 to dwell together in peace,
 to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.*

Centering Moment

Stones of Joy & Sorrow

Singing the Children to Class

*Live in joy, go in peace
Hold all our love as we part.*

*Live in joy, go in peace
Hold all our love in your heart.*

Joys & Sorrows Prayer

***Hymn #155 — “Circle ‘Round for Freedom”**

*Circle ‘round for freedom, circle ‘round for peace,
for all of us imprisoned, circle for release,
circle for the planet, circle for each soul,
for the children of our children, keep the circle whole.*

Reading — “Mad Farmer Liberation Front” by Wendell Berry

Musical Interlude — Mark Price

Sermon — “Barely Gettin’ By” — Rev. Dr. Molly Housh Gordon

***Hymn — “We Shall Be Known” by MaMuse**

*We shall be known by the company we keep
By the ones who circle round to tend these fires
We shall be known by the ones who sow and reap
The seeds of change, alive from deep within the earth
It is time now, it is time now that we thrive
It is time we lead ourselves into the well
It is time now, and what a time to be alive*

*In this Great Turning we shall learn to lead in love
In this Great Turning we shall learn to lead in love*

Offertory – Mark Price

This morning's offering will be for the work of the congregation.

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Closing Words – by Wayne Arnason

Benediction

*Now on leaving one another,
may we give of hand and heart.
Let us share our benediction,
lovingly before we part.*

* Please stand or remain seated as you feel most comfortable.

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