



Beacon Unitarian Church  
Order of Service for May 31, 2026  
**Liberating Love**  
A Meaning Making Service  
Rev. Samaya Oakley

♪ <i>Prelude</i>	Ming-Xuan Chung
Welcome to Beacon	Teresa Morton
Chalice Lighting Words Arranged by L. Griswold Williams	Lori Holtorf
♪ <i>Singing #361 "Enter, Rejoice, and Come In"</i> Words and Music: Louise Ruspini	Ming-Xuan Chung
Joys and Sorrows	Judy Villett
Sharing The Plate	Glenn Wootton
♪ <i>Sung Response - For All That Is Our Life (First Verse)</i> Words: Bruce Findlow, Music: Patrick L. Rickey	Ming-Xuan Chung
Meditation words by by William F. Schulz	Cathy Tingskov
♪ <i>Singing #1037 "We Begin Again in Love"</i> Words: Robert Eller-Isaacs, Music: Les Kleen	John Hagen and Ming-Xuan Chung
<i>Homily "Liberating Love"</i>	Rev. Samaya Oakley
♪ <i>Singing #131 "Love Will Guide Us"</i> Words: Sally Rogers, Music: Traditional, arr. by Betty A. Wylder	Ming-Xuan Chung
Chalice Extinguishing Words by James Vila Blake	Lori Holtorf
♪ <i>Carry the Flame</i>	Ming-Xuan Chung
♪ <i>Postlude</i>	Ming-Xuan Chung

**We invite you to join us for Coffee Hour after the service for fellowship and conversation.**

**Zoom:** Please stay and join us in small group conversation. Just stay online after the service ends.

**Sapperton Hall:** Please stay and join us for coffee, tea, snacks and conversation at the back of the hall.

**Enviro-Bee:** Please join Teresa Morton for our monthly Enviro-Bee after the service today. Online and in person.

**Next Service: Sunday, June 7 @ 10:30 am**

**Famous (?) Last Words**

**Mary Bennett**

In February this year a design professor, aged 94, designed a postcard to be sent out after his death to friends and past students. It said simply: If you're receiving this, I'm dead and I really liked you. Apple Computer founder Steve Jobs' last words were, "Oh Wow! Oh Wow! Oh Wow!" Reportedly Charles Darwin rejected his theories of evolution in favour of traditional Christianity on his deathbed, but no one who was there confirmed this. In an effort to "control the narrative", technology allows many ways to ensure we don't get misquoted or accidentally miss the chance to leave our loved ones with the message we'd like to share. We'll invite you to consider, perhaps even plan, your own final message.

*Mary Bennett has been a Unitarian since 1989 and was Executive Director of the Canadian Unitarian Council from 2000-2008. A lover of the power of words, she's always been intrigued by stories about what people have said when they're near death.*

**Supporting Today's Service**

In-Person Greeters	Dominique Mamisao, Judy Villett
Newcomer Hosts	Marilyn Medén, John Hagen
Counters/Collectors	Margaret Snow, Dan Theal, John Hagen
Sapperton Coffee Host	Beth Connelly, Laurel Friesen
Audio Visual Technician	Tyler Ewasiuk
Camera operator	Deepak Sahasrabudhe
Zoom Greeter/Service Assistant	Laura Redmond
Zoom Recording Editor	Tyler Ewasiuk
Set up/Clean up	All of us who can

**Our Shared Ministry**

Lay Chaplain	Janet Pivnick, Laura Redmond
Administration Support	Rachael Greenland

**Note from the Treasurer** Beacon gratefully accepts donations via Interac e-transfer to the email below. In the message box, note if you want the funds applied to 1. Beacon Pledge 2. Minister (it will go to the Minister's discretionary fund) or 3. Sharing the Plate (half goes to Beacon, half goes to [Spirit of the Children Society - Youth Hub](#)). If you wish to set up a pre-authorised deposit or need help with e-transfer email [treasurer@beaconunitarian.org](mailto:treasurer@beaconunitarian.org). Please mail any cheques to: Beacon Unitarian Church/ Box 414 – 552 Clarke Road Coquitlam, BC V3J 0A3. Thank you for your continued support.

**Stay Connected!** We send out a weekly email called Beacon This Week that informs you of all upcoming Beacon activities. Please ask one of the Greeters to sign you up, or [email Rachael](mailto:adminsupport@beaconunitarian.org) ([adminsupport@beaconunitarian.org](mailto:adminsupport@beaconunitarian.org))

**Lunch Bunch** meets online every Tuesday at noon.

**Film Club** meets online the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month at 7pm

**Book Club** meets in person the 4th Thursday of the month at 1 pm

**Humanist Group** meets online the last Sunday of the month at 7:30 pm

*For support when life is challenging, contact our Pastoral Support Team [pastoralcare@beaconunitarian.org](mailto:pastoralcare@beaconunitarian.org)*

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