

FOR MINISTERS, RELIGIOUS EDUCATORS, AND LAY WORSHIP LEADERS

Help Shape the Future of the Worship Web!

The UUA's Worship Web was launched to provide ministers, religious educators, and lay worship leaders access to high quality resources for worship—Opening Words, words for Chalice Lightings, sermons, even entire services. It has been incredibly helpful for many, and has helped increase the depth and quality of our congregation's worship experiences.

Yet more is needed and more can be done. People are wondering about questions beyond just where to find the right words:

- How do we integrate new styles of music?
- How can our worship be more truly multigenerational (beyond a special “RE Sunday”)?
- Is anyone still doing dance ministry?
- What's all this we hear about podcasting?
- What is “cultural misappropriation” and how do we avoid it?
- How can we create more fully inclusive services without losing our souls?
- Does anyone remember the Congregation of Abraxas, and are their materials still available?
- How do we deepen and expand the quality of our worship, whether lay or clergy led?
- How can I talk with others who are experimenting with the same things we are?
- Is there more than the “hymn sandwich”?

These questions and more will drive the new Worship Web. In coming months the UUA's new Worship and Music Resources Director will be creating new areas on the Worship Web site focusing on Music, Worship Theory, Multigenerational Worship, Multicultural Worship, Podcasting, Video, the Internet, Dance and Movement Ministries, the Visual Arts in Worship, Worship Weavers' Guilds, Archives (from the Congregation of Abraxas, the Charles Street Meeting House, the Religious Arts Guild, the Worship Arts Clearing House, etc.), Worship Weaver (aka Worship Associate) programs, and much more.

You can help. Go to our “Help Shape the Future of the Worship Web” survey (http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=UdzjWunVGOTOz3ahcWJj6Q_3d_3d) and tell us what you think. And if you have resources to share, or know of people or congregations who especially excel at something, please contact Rev. Erik Walker Wikstrom, our Worship and Music Resources Director, at worshipweb@uaa.org.