

# Unitarian Universalist Sunday Forum

First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco  
Thomas Starr King Room  
1187 Franklin Street at Geary

**Sunday, June 2 – 9:00 am**

- 9:00 In Person at UUSF: coffee, breakfast available for nominal fee, socializing
- 9:30 Program begins and Zoom online as listed below
- 10:15 Questions, Discussion
- 10:50 Adjourn for the 11:00 UU Worship Service (in the Sanctuary)



## Ryan Thoreson

### Civil Rights and Anti-Transgender Backlash in the United States

In recent years, state legislatures have filed hundreds of bills targeting LGBT rights, particularly the rights of transgender children. Many of these have passed into law, barring transgender people from accessing gender-affirming care, participating on sports teams, using bathrooms and other facilities, and presenting themselves consistent with their gender identity. This presentation will reflect on recent legislation and litigation and the impact that it has had on individuals, families, and communities, and offer thoughts on what the struggle for trans rights will involve in the years ahead.

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