

"Preparedness is one of the greatest acts of caring you can give others."

-- Anonymous

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- Call to Community
 - Trigger Warning*
Emergency Preparedness Team
- Prelude/Giving/Candles of Community
 - Shelter from the Storm*
Written and Performed by Bob Dylan
- Chalice Lighting
- Spoken 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 truth in freedom and to help one another.*
- Lighting the Peace Candle
- UU Snippet
 - "The Board: Our Shared Leadership & How We Work Together"* - by Marla Loturco

EXPANDING OUR UNDERSTANDING

- Opening Thought
 - Emergency Statistics*
by Emergency Preparedness Team

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- Practices
 - Before the Storm*
by Brand Kosloski
- Musical Interlude
 - One Minute Giving Music*
Written and Performed by Dan Althoff

MORNING DISCOURSE LEADIN

- Video Credits

Levi Utah Fire
NBC News

The Sudden Collapse of Dunlap Dam
Nature4Quest

What is a Shelter in Place Order?
Law Enforcement Insider

CPR Songs

MORNING DISCOURSE

- Remarks
 - Emergency Preparedness: Necessary for Survival?*
by Jack Bolerjack and Brand Kosloski

CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE

- Song
 - I Will Survive* - Gloria Gaynor singing

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- Closing Thought
- Extinguishing our Chalice
 - We extinguish these flames but not the light of truth,
the warmth of community or the fire of commitment.
These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.*
- Postlude
 - A Short Beautiful Piano Piece - Improv*
by Jervy Hou

PROGRAM NOTES

Today's Morning Assembly

Created by Jack Bolerjack & Brand Kosloski.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Happening this week:

- Deadline for the May newsletter was last night. If you forgot, please send your copy to news@redriveruu.org no later than Wednesday.

- Today, the Social Justice monthly meeting gathers in the Carolyn Cameron room at 1 PM.

Anyone curious about how to bring more justice to the world is warmly encouraged to check out what is being done now.

- Monday: Overeaters anonymous 6 PM

- Wednesday: Worship Team meets 6PM on Zoom

- Thursday: Movie night, "Green Book" 6 PM

- Saturday: EMR Training 4 PM

WHO IS MAKING THINGS WORK TODAY

- April board representative: *Jana Norris*
- Greeting you at the door: *Curtis Severens*
- Leading today: *Jack Bolerjack & Brand Kosloski*
- AV Team: *Carole Harner, Liz Rapp, Jim Holmes*

WELCOME VISITORS

We are Unitarian Universalists. We are brave, curious, and compassionate thinkers and doers. We are people from many backgrounds who have different beliefs, but shared values.

Grounded in more than two hundred years of thoughtful, spiritual communities, we are people of many generations, ethnicities, genders and sexualities, and spiritual backgrounds. People engaged in making the world a better place. People focus on what really matters - love, justice, integrity, and hope.

We are a lay-led congregation. Lay-led congregations have no minister which means members of the congregation manage various aspects of our church life. Unitarian Universalism has a proud tradition of lay-led churches. We have different beliefs, but shared values.

We are Unitarian Universalists, and at the same time we may be Muslim, pagan, atheist, believers in God, and those who just let the great mystery be. The diversity of beliefs you'll find in our church community is one of our strengths - we're always learning how to see the world from a distinct perspective.

Learn more about us at your leisure by downloading our mobile app 'Red River UU' from Google Play or the Apps Store (or use the QR code below.) This is who we are. We are glad you joined us today because all of you are welcome here

NEXT Sunday, May 3, 2026

10 am

The Adult Forum

Emerson, Thoreau, & the Transcendentalist Movement

11:15 am

My Journey

Jack, leading

My Journey is presented by Karrisa Hodge, President and founder of Missing Murdered Indigenous Women Chahta. She has ancestry to 3 Tribal Nations from her mother's and father's sides, but she is a Tribal member of the Caddo Nation of Oklahoma. She is a single mother to two daughters, ages 10 and 3, and has raised and had guardianship of her two brothers, ages 17 and 21. Karrisa has worked for the Choctaw Nation for 6 years and is a certified Public Speaker, Trainer and Coach through John Maxwell. She is also a part of the Oklahoma City Matriarch. Karissa feels it is her duty to her Indigenous Relatives to help create safe spaces where our people can gain knowledge, overcome oppression and become stronger together.

12:15 pm - Conversations & Calories



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The Morning PROGRAM

April 26, 2026



We are ...



*Spiritually Alive,
Joyfully Inclusive,
Justice Centered*

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