



RED RIVER UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS

Sunday July 5, 2020

*Oh, beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife
Who more than self their country loved
And mercy more than life!*

~ from *America The Beautiful*
Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Ring the Tibetan Bowl

Prelude *My Country Tis of Thee*

Words: Samuel Francis Smith.
Tune: Unknown origin
Performed by Marla Loturco, dulcimer

Call to Community *I Am an American*

✚ Maureen Killoran

Chalice Lighting *On the Separation of Church & State*

✚ Tracy Bleakney

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 the truth in freedom ... and to help one another.*

Song *America the Beautiful*

Words: Katharine Lee Bates | Music: Samuel A. Ward
Ray Charles, soloist

Reading *Dependence Day*

✚ John Daniel

Practices

Meditation *Fourth of July Ode*

✚ James Russell Lowell

Stillness for a time

Musical Response *Battle Hymn of the Republic*

✚ Words: Julia Ward Howe | Music: John W. Staffe
Björn Lindqvist, classical guitar

Video..... *the Declaration of Independence*

<https://youtu.be/tEPX1TWfMgI>

Musical Interlude..... *Star Spangled Banner*

By Jimi Hendrix
Performed by Wells Leng, cello

Remarks *What Would Jefferson and Adams Do?*

From the *UU World Magazine*
The Rev. Dr. Forrest Church

Video..... *What To a Slave is the Fourth of July?*

Frederick Douglas
Read by James Earl Jones

Song *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

Words: James Weldon Johnson | Music: J. Rosamond Johnson

Parting Thought.....from *I Am an American*

✚ Maureen Killoran

Extinguishing the Chalice

*We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth,
The warmth of community or the fire of commitment.
we carry in our hearts until we are together again.*

Fireworks

✚ Lifting up Unitarian Universalist sources



PROGRAM NOTES

This morning's assembly was created by the worship team.

RedRiverUU - The Pandemic Version! The Committee on Ministry's new survey is waiting for your responses. It is an anonymous survey, so please be candid. Available on the church app, website, wednesdayUPDATE and current newsletter. You can also take it here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5YN6V63>

The Bowl Awaits! Those who wish are invited to support the church with a gift or pledge. While we're sheltering in place, how about setting up a billpay from your bank and let the bank mail a check to: Red River UU's PO BOX 1608 Denison TX 75021.

MAKING TODAY'S ASSEMBLY POSSIBLE

Leading: *Robert Shelton & Doug Strong*

Research: *The Worship Team:*

Dan Althoff, Marla Loturco, Robert Shelton, Doug Strong

Production: *Marla & Doug*

Video: *Don Rogers* | Tech: *Jim Holmes*

NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2020

"Revival of Relations, Revolution of Values"

The Rev. Danielle Di Bona, *preaching (video msg)*

Our sermon this morning was given at the Service of the Living Tradition during last month's UU General Assembly. *The Rev. Danielle Di Bona has served UUism for 30 years and is the 2019 recipient of the Award for Distinguished Service to the Cause of Unitarian Universalism. In her retirement she serves as the Palliative Care chaplain at South Shore Hospital in Weymouth, MA*

The Adult Forum: Join us next Sunday via Zoom, as we view and discuss the Paul Wallis video: *Human Extinction*, 19.58 minutes.