

*But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.*  
~ Amos 5:24

## GREETING ONE ANOTHER

- ◆ With hellos & “air” hugs
- ◆ Sounding the Tibetan Bowl

## GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ◆ Call to Community  
*Out of Our Yearning*  
by Susan Manker-Seale\*
- ◆ Candles of Community
- ◆ Prelude
- ◆ Lighting the Chalice  
*Justice, Meaning, and Purpose*  
by David Breeden\*
- ◆ 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.*

## EXPANDING OUR UNDERSTANDINGS

- ◆ Opening Thought  
from *Freedom and Justice*  
by Coretta Scott King
- ◆ Song  
*We Are a Gentle, Angry People*

## EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ◆ Reading  
from *A Theory of Justice*  
by John Rawls
- ◆ Practices  
*Blue Triangle*  
by Martha Kirby Capo\*
  - ◆ Stillness for a Time
  - ◆ Musical Response

- ◆ Reading  
from *Justice Demands Integrity*  
by Bell Hooks

## DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

- ◆ The Morning Discourse  
*Justice as Equality of Opportunity*  
by the Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies

## CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- ◆ Giving  
*Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table*  
*or give on the church mobile app home screen*
- ◆ Song  
*Do You Hear\**
- ◆ Parting Thought  
from *A Martin Luther King Treasury*  
by Martin Luther King, Jr
- ◆ Extinguishing the Chalice  
*We extinguish this flame 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

\*Lifting up contributions from Unitarian Universalists

## PROGRAM NOTES

**Leading today’s morning assembly** is the Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies. Mark is the Wimberly Professor of Social and Ecological Ethics at Oklahoma City University where he has worked in both teaching and administration for 25 years. He is an ordained elder in the Oklahoma Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Mark’s Ph.D. is from Boston University in the area of Social Ethics, and he has served Boston University School of Theology as a member of its Dean’s Advisory Board and as the alumnus representative their Green Team as part of the Green Seminary Initiative.

Mark engages in advocacy and activism in the areas of peace, social justice, and ecological sustainability. Locally this is expressed through his work with the Human Community Network, which works to create non-violent systemic change for a just and flourishing human and ecological community through collaboration, education, innovation, and action. See [www.humancommunitynetwork.org](http://www.humancommunitynetwork.org).

He and his wife Kristin live in Edmond, OK, and they have two daughters who attend Oklahoma City University.



**Living with What IS** - the title of an exciting special workshop with Marie Silén focusing on easing the mind, body and bring more joy into the holidays. It will be next Sat. Dec 11 from 2 - 4 pm in the chapel. Full details are available on the church calendar and in the last (and next) Wednesday UPDATE.

## MAKING THINGS HAPPEN TODAY

- ◆ Today’s Board Rep: *David Dyer*
- ◆ Greeting us at the door: *Amy Hoffman-Shehan*
- ◆ Host: *Doug Strong*
- ◆ Keyboardist: *Dan Althoff*
- ◆ Guest Minister: *The Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies*
- ◆ AV Crew: *Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes, Marla Loturco*
- ◆ Sunday School Leader: *Ellie Dyer*

*Continued on back panel*

## WELCOME GUESTS

**W**e 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 focusing 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 the various aspects of our church life. Unitarian Universalism has a proud tradition of lay-led churches.

We Unitarian Universalists have different beliefs, but shared values. We are Unitarian Universalists, and at the same time we may also be agnostic, Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, humanist, Jewish, 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 different perspective.

Learn more about us at your leisure by downloading our app 'Red River UU' from Google Play or the App Store.

This is who we are. We are glad you came today.



## NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021

10 am - Adult Forum

December 12: We will finish watching the PBS Documentary “Defying the Nazis: “The Sharps War” – the story of a young Unitarian minister who accepted a call to work with the Unitarian Service Committee in getting Jews out of Nazi controlled Europe.

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

### Celebrating the Only Unitarian Universalist Exclusive Holiday

Dick Powell, Don Rogers, Elber Hill, Jan Fletcher, Jim Holmes,  
Marion Hill and Megan Hutchinson, *speaking*

We UU's may disagree about many issues, but one thing we do agree on is the Unitarian Universalist Seven Principles, as stated in Article II of the [Bylaws and Rules](#) of the Unitarian Universalist Association. Chalica is a week-long celebration of our [Unitarian Universalist Principles](#). This year Chalica starts on Monday, December 6 and concludes the following Sunday, December 12th. On Sunday seven of our own will be sharing a principle and its meaning for them.

12:15 pm - Coffee and Conversations - *Suspended for now due to the Delta Variant.*

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*The Morning  
Program  
Sunday, December 5, 2021*



*... and to help one another*