

*The oak fought the wind and was broken,
the willow bent when it must and survived.*

~ Robert Jordan
The Fires of Heaven

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

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

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ◆ Call to Community
To Learn More About Being Human
by Erika A. Hewitt*
- ◆ Candles of Community/Prelude
Prelude Op. 28 No. 29 in C Minor
By Frederic Chopin | Guitarist: Nickjitsu
- ◆ Believing We Can – Stewardship moment
- ◆ Lighting the Chalice
A Community of Faith
by Judith L. Quarles*
- ◆ 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
Nanette
by Hannah Gadsby
- ◆ Song
People
Words: Bob Merrill | Music: Jule Styne
Vocal: Cast of Glee

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ◆ Reading
A Handful of Dust
by Erik Pevernagie

◆ Practices

Meditation

From Ally to Advocate

by Jonipher Kwong

Silent Prayers of the People

Musial Response

Tender Dream

Composed and performed by flutist Eddy Herier

◆ Reading

Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community

by Martin Luther King, Jr

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

◆ Discourse

Building Resilient Community in Times of Chaos

by Mark Y.A. Davies

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

◆ Giving

Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table

Music for giving: *Macbeth's Epilogue* by Koan

◆ Song

We are Unity

music by Landscape | artist: Joelle

◆ Parting Thought

I Rise

by Maya Angelou

◆ 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



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.

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



The stewardship campaign is in its second week. If you anticipate supporting the church in the upcoming budget year, it will be most helpful if you would pledge online via the church app, our website or using a paper pledge form on the counter in the lobby. The campaign ends next Sunday.

MAKING THINGS HAPPEN TODAY

- ◆ Board Rep: *Dick Powell*
- ◆ Greeting us at the door: *Amy Hoffman-Shehan*
- ◆ Host: *David Dyer*
- ◆ Leading today: *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

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 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 Apps Store.

This is who we are. We are glad you joined us today.



NEXT WEEK: EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 17

10 am - Adult Forum

Science and Religion

Now through April the Forum is exploring the Great Courses Series Science and Religion. Details of each week's lecture/discussion is available on the church calendar and mobile app.

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

Transcendence and Enlightenment: A New Take on the story of Easter

Beth Ferree, *guest speaker*

We've all heard the story about Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, but is it fact or is it an allegory for something else?

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The Morning Program



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