Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.

~ Martin Luther King, Jr

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

- With hellos & "air" hugs
- Ringing the Tibetan Bowl

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

Call to Community

Justice and Inclusion
by Unitarian Universalist Association*

Candles of Community/Prelude

Building Bridges

Words: Greenhyam Common Women's Camp |

Music: English Quaker Round

Lighting the Chalice

Wage Justice Chalice Lighting from the UU Service Committee

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 *Delusion of Humanity* by Yasutani Roshi

Song

Sounds of Justice written & performed by Brad Ellis

Reading

from *Message to Future Generations* by Bertrand Russell

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

Practices

Meditation

Decenter and Receive by the Unitarian Universalist Association

Time for Personal Reflections

Musical Response: Calming Meditation

Reading

from *Letter from Birmingham Jail* by Martin Luther King Jr.

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

Discourse

Justice Interconnected by Mark Y. A. Davies

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

Giving

Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table

Song

Justice Song words & music by Selorm Tamakloe and Kaign Christy

Parting Thought

from Tara, The Liberating Power of the Female Buddha by Rachel Wooten,*

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

Standing on the Side of Love words and music: Jason Shelton*

Performed by Brian Kenny* & Alena Hemingway*

PROGRAM NOTES

Leading our morning assembly today is the Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies. You may read Mark's impressive bio on the Upcoming Services section of the church website's home page.

A July 4th Celebration invitation to all which is this evening (6:30-11:30). If you're thinking of heading out, please read the details of the event in the Events listing on the church website homepage.

Jeff and Michelle Haynes, who hosted the June Moveable Feast, are inviting the congregation to join them at their 3rd annual Independence Day Celebration which will be on Sunday, July 3rd at their home at 55 Possum Trot Hollow Road in Whitewright. If you wish to go, please read the details in the Events list on the church website homepage.

Save The Date NOW for our first Fifth Sunday all church potluck on July 31. Jot it in your calendar to bring a dish to share and plan on lingering for some good conversations and great food.

Moveable Feast Lunch scheduled. The July M. Feast will be a Dutch-treat lunch at Rustico's Restaurant on Wednesday, July 20 @ 12:30 pm. If you've not been to a moveable feast, think about joining the group going. You only need to tell Marion Hill so she can add you to the reservation count.

MAKING IT HAPPEN THIS MORNING:

• Board Rep this month: David Dyer

♦ Host: Doug Strong

Greeting us at the door: Carol Powell

• Leading today: The Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies

• AV Crew: Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Marla Loturco

• Sunday School Leader: Ellie Dyer

^{*}Lifting up contributions from Unitarian Universalists

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 SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2022

10 am - Adult Forum

My Favorite Universe A video series from The Great Courses Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

Adaptive Ministry

Cameron Young, guest speaker

This year has been unprecedented for Unitarian Universalist Congregations, as many have sought ministers only to come up empty-handed. This shortage in ministers is not unique to UU or even religious organizations, but universal to all helping professions in the country. Why the shift? What does our shared theology say about how we, as beacons of liberal faith, must adapt to an era where change is constant?

You may read Cameron's bio on the homepage of our church website.

12:15 pm - Conversations & Calories

Our answer to the traditional 'coffee hour' - we gather in the Alexander and Emerson Rooms on the first floor.



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