Dwell on the beauty of life. Watch the stars, and see yourself running with them.. ~ Marcus Aurelius

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

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

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

Call to Community*
Ultimate Grace
by Ma Theresa Tet Gustilo Gallardo *

 Candles of Community/Prelude *Knowledge, They Say* words: Arthur Noyes, music: Cyril V. Taylor | sing-ing: Shoreline, WA UU Church Choir

• Lighting the Chalice

A Fire in the Universe by Shawn Trapp

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 Critique of Practical Reason by Immanuel Kant
- Song

A Firemist and a Planet music by New England folk melody | words by William Herbert Carruth singing: Pat Killian* & Chris Smellow*

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

Reading

from Pale Blue Dot: A Vision of the Human Future in Space by Carl Sagan*

- Reading from A Life in Physics, 1996 by Lise Meitner
- Song

O Brother Sun words: St. Francis of Assisi | music: Scottish traditional piano: Brian Kenny* | vocals: Ed Looby*

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

 Discourse Two Trillion and Counting

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- Giving Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table
- Song We Laugh, We Cry by Shelley Jackson Denham*
- Parting Thought from Living Philosophies by Albert Einstein
- 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.

*Lifting up contributions from Unitarian Universalists

PROGRAM NOTES

Leading our morning assembly today is the Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies. You can read his bio on our mobile app and the church calendar on the homepage of our website: redriveruu.org

Next Sunday during the morning assembly everyone will be invited to write an ocean Haiku poem as part of our water communion Sunday. To get your thoughts flowing, here are some words you might use in your haiku (a 3-line poem, 1^{st} and 3^{rd} lines = 5 syllables, the 2^{nd} line = 7 syllables):

ocean	green	rippling	wet
sea	salt	rolling	water
waves	spay	cold	swell
blue	vast	thundering	barreling

Minister Search Team's last informal meeting to hear what you would like to see in a minister is today @ 1 pm in the chapel. If you have yet to attend, the search team hopes you will do so today.

On the Cover - Webb Space Telescope captures stellar gymnastics in the Cartwheel Galaxy on Aug 2, 2022. This galaxy formed as the result of a high-speed collision that occurred about 400 million years ago. The Cartwheel is composed of two rings, a bright inner ring and a colorful outer ring. Both rings expand outward from the center of the collision like shockwaves.

New Member Sunday - We will welcome new members during the morning assembly next week. If you've been thinking about joining the congregation, please speak with Marilyn, Amy, David, Dick, or Jim.

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.



MAKING IT HAPPEN THIS MORNING:

- Board Rep: Amy Hoffman-Shehan
- Greeting us at the door: *Carol Powell*
- Ask Me Host: Doug Strong
- Leading today: The Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies
- AV Crew: Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes
- Sunday School Leader: Ellie Dyer
- Providing refreshments: Elbert & Marion Hill, Carol and Dick Powell

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2022

10 am - Adult Forum

Comparative Religion A Great Courses Video Series now thru Oct. 9

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

Water Communion Sunday

The Worship Team, leading

Please bring a small container of water with you on Sunday. If you collected water from travels over the last year, or collected some from a favorite local spot, or if your water is virtual from a location you see in your mind's eye bring it.

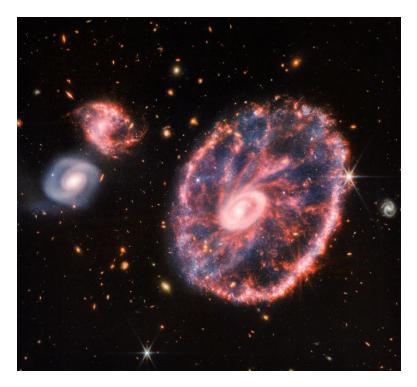
12:15 pm - Calories & Conversations

Good Times Team 2 Our answer to traditional coffee hour! Gathering in the Alexander and Emerson Rooms by the upper lobby we meet and greet and enjoy a variety of snacks. Join us, please, it is a nice way to meet one another.



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We are a sanctuary for religious liberals celebrating compassion, diversity, and spiritual growth.