

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ◆ Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- ◆ Call to Community
We, whose journeys are always beginning
by Marni Harmony*
- ◆ Candles of Community/Prelude
- ◆ Chalice Lighting
In This Time of Uncertainty
Amy Williams Clark
- ◆ 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

- ◆ Stewardship Moment - Carole Harner
- ◆ Opening Thought
from *The Sea, the Sea*
by Iris Murdoch
- ◆ Song - 1
May Nothing Evil Cross This Door
Singing: Michael Tacy*

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ◆ Reading
from *The Ethics of Ambiguity*
by Simone de Beauvoir
- ◆ Practices
Meditation
How Does One Address a Mystery?
by Gordon B McKeeman*

Quiet Sitting for a Moment

Musical Response

Inspiration

By Jack Winn

- ◆ Reading
from *The Ethics of Ambiguity*
by Simone de Beauvoir
- ◆ Song - 6
Just As Long as I Have Breath
performed by UU Society of Grafton & Upton, MA

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

- ◆ Discourse
The Wisdom and Dangers of Religious Myths
by Mark Y.A. Davies

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- ◆ Giving
Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table.
- ◆ Song - 112
Do You Hear
performed by Michael Tacy*
- ◆ Parting Thought
from *Delicious Ambiguity*
by Gilda Radner
- ◆ 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
All You Need Is Love
by The Beatles
Musical Discovery Chamber Players String Quartet

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 in the Upcoming Services listing on our website.

Today: The **Board** of Trustees meets @ 1 pm, in the Alexander room for the monthly meeting.

Monday: Social Justice Committee at 5:30 pm in the Emerson Room for the committee's monthly meeting. Interest in knowing the sorts of social justice projects ongoing? Come to the meeting 😊.

Tuesday's Events: Chair **Yoga** - 10 am | Group/BookClub - 6:30 pm. Both events welcome newcomers

Thursday:

The three-part **short film series** **Current Revolution** – *The Transformation Cannot be Stopped* will start on Thursday, Apr 20 – new time: 5:30 – 6:30 in the chapel. Check out the details on the church calendar (on the homepage of our website).

Friday: Earth Day Set Up– if you are willing to help, you need to fill out a volunteer form TODAY (you won't receive a T-shirt, however, because the deadline for that was last week). They are on the counter in the foyer.

Saturday: Texoma Earth Day Festival 9-4, Sherman' Municipal Building and grounds. Free. Remember: *Red River UU – The Reason Earth Day is in Texoma!* You can tell everyone.

MAKING IT HAPPEN THIS MORNING:

- ◆ Board rep: *Marilyn Alexander*
- ◆ Greeting us at the door: *Susie Norris*
- ◆ Ask me host: *Doug Strong*
- ◆ Leading today: *the Rev. Dr.. Mark Y.A. Davies*
- ◆ Av crew: *Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes, Marla Loturco*
- ◆ Sunday school leader: *David Dyer*
- ◆ Providing refreshments: *Good Times Team 3*

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, APRIL 23, 2022

10 am - Adult Forum

The Long Strange Trip

A Journey Through Two Thousand Years Of Unitarian
Universalist History
Now through April 23rd

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

Earth Day Is Over, Now What

Jana Norris, *leading*

A morning to gather our tired and tattered energies, pulling inward to a place of rest, where our hearts and hands, usually filled with reusing, repurposing, recycling, saving butterflies, saving water, might relax. Instead of doing, let us take time to concentrate on being, on quieting our busy minds so we once again can breathe deeply and begin again.

12:15 pm – Conversations & Calories

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THE MORNING PROGRAM

SUNDAY, April 16, 2023



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