Intelligence plus character-that is the goal of true education.

~ Martin Luther King, Jr

Gathering our Community

- Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- Call to Community

Ever in Our Midst

by Karen G. Johnston*

Candles of Community/Prelude

May Your Life Be as a Song
music: Yuri Zaritsky | words: Jim Scott* | singing: Julia
Stubbs

Chalice Lighting

Our Shared Hope for the World

Pat Uribe-Lichty*

• 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 *Pedagogy of the Oppressed* by *Ric*hard Shaull

• Song - 145

As Tranquil Streams
Singing: Michael Tacy*

Embracing our Limitations

Reading

from *I Am Malala* by Malala Yousafzai

Practices

Meditation

To Light the Darkness and Begin Again by D. Scott Cooper*

Quiet Sitting for a Moment

Musical Response

Canon in D by Johann Pacelbel performed by Elina Ling, cello & Karen Stern, harp

Reading

from Academia Deserves Its Crisis by Louis Yako

Song

The Way

words: Unknown author | music: Lyla L. Butler-Moore performed by UU Church of Los Alamos, NM

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

Discourse

Education and the Beloved Community by Mark Y.A. Davies

Confirming our Faith

Giving

Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table.

• Song - 318

We Would Be One

words: Samuel Wright | music: Jean Sibelius

Parting Thought

from Education and the Significance of Life by J. Krishnamurti

• 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

Building Bridges | words: Women of Greenham Commons music: contemporary Quaker round | singing: Glen Rideout* & Alison Halerz* UU Church of Ann Arbor MI

Program Notes

Joining us this morning is the Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies. You can read his bio on the "This Sunday" listing on our church website and mobile app.

If you'd like to update your gold name tag in favor of our new name tags, that have the church name as well as preferred pronouns, you can order one today from Amy Hoffman-Shehan. Cost is \$9.

On Tuesday the Chair Yoga group meets in the chapel at 10 am for an hour of low impact exercises and the Spiritual Self Help Group/Book Club gathers at 6:30 pm. Newcomers are welcome.

The Minister's Search Committee meets on Thursday, May 18 at 2:00 pm - Emerson Room.

The Spring Congregational Meeting is in two weeks, on Sunday, May 21, starting with a potluck lunch immediately following the morning assembly. Open to everyone. Members who are unable to attend in person or via Zoom, please vote. Links for online voting are on our mobile app and in the email sent to all members on May 8^{th} .

A Special Event is coming on May 24th 6:30 – 8:30 when Gian Girardi, founder of the Brain Optimization Holistic Institute will be speaking on "Awaken To Your True Nature" Check out the posted on church bulletin boards.

Making Things Happen Today

Board rep: Don Rogers

◆ Greeting us at the door: Amy Hoffman-Shehan

• 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 2*

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 mobile app 'Red River UU' from Google Play or the Apps Store (or use the QR code on the back panel.)

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



Next Sunday, May 21, 2022

10 am - Adult Forum

Emerson, Thoreau and the Transcendentalist Movement Now thru June 16th

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

The Value of Pluralism

Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies, leading

Pluralism is one of the most important values for a vibrant democracy and the cultivation of beloved community. If we are to respect each person within our community, it is vital to protect free and pluralistic expressions of speech and action.

12:15 pm – Conversations & Calories

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THE MORNING PROGRAM SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023



