My religion is simple; my religion is kindness. The Dalai Lama

Gathering our Community

- Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- Call to Community The Task of the Religious Community by Mark Morrison-Reed*
- Candles of Community/Prelude
 Dona Nobis Pacem
 performed by Carrie Newcomer
- Lighting the Chalice
 For This One Hour
 by Paul Stephan Dodenoff*
- 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 Introduction to this morning's peacemakers.
- Our First Peacemaker
 Riane Eisler Partnership, Not Domination
 Selected Quotes
- Song 123
 Spirit of Life performed by Orange County, CA UU Church choir

*Lifting up contributions from Unitarian Universalists

Practices

Prayer It is Possible to Love in Peace by Mohandas KL. Gandhi

*Lifting up contributions from Unitarian Universalists Quiet Sitting for a Moment Musical Response *Amazing Grace* performed by Madeline MacNeil

- Our Second Peacemaker
 His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama Universal
 Compassion
 Selected Quotes
- Song 325
 Love Makes a Bridge
 performed by Les Tacy*

Confirming our Faith

- Giving
 Freely ... Gladly
 by Arthur Foote II*
 music: Bonnie Tyneside | performed by Madeline MacNeil
- Benediction

Be Ye Lamps Unto Yourselves Attributed to Gautama Buddha

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

What Is This Life music: A.D. Carden's Missouri Harmony | words: Henry Davies | performed by Community UU Church, White Plains, NY

Program Notes

Leading our morning assembly today is Marla Loturco who also created today's assembly

The Committee on Ministry will be available today following the morning assembly for anyone in our community who has suggestions, concerns, praises or grumblings about any aspect of our congregational life. The purpose of the CoM is to shepherd feedback to the appropriate place so the right people can respond. Speak with Carolyn, Jim and Elbert to let them know you wish to speak with them.

The newsletter deadline was yesterday. Oops, did you forget? If so, kindly email your submissions to <u>news@redriveruu.org</u> no later than tonight if you wish your article included in the June issue.

Making It Happen This Morning:

- Board Rep: Don Rogers
- Greeting us at the door: Carolyn Cameron
- Leading today: Marla Loturco
- AV Crew: Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes
- Sunday School Leader: David Dyer
- Providing Refreshments: Good Times Team 4

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, June 4, 2023

10 am - Adult Forum

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

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly TBA The Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies, *leading*

Mark returns twice in June, the first being next Sunday. You can read details of what he is topic will be in the UPDATE on Wednesday.

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