Candles of Community

Please note: If you would like to light a candle this morning for any personal reason, kindly do so <u>before</u> the ringing of the Tibetan bowl.

Gathering our Community

- Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- Call to Community

A Preface about this special Morning's Assembly

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

Welcome

The Revs. Manish Mishra-Marzetti* & Nancy McDonald Ladd*

Chalice Lighting

Janice Marie Johnson and Jeff, Jacen & Mina Mishra-Marzetti

Opening Song

Shall We Gather at the River

Music and Words by Robert Lowrie. Arranged by Clif Hardin

Gathering Us Together

The Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti *

Time for All Ages

Whatever Comes Tomorrow

Rebecca Gardyn Levington*, Art by Mariona Cabassa, with permission from author Told by Stella Anderson,

Expanding our Understandings

Song

The Times They are a Changin' by Bob Dylan

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Danielle DiBona*

Reading

from Mental Flight by Ben Okri

Dr. Janice Marie Johnson*, reading

Musical Response

I Am Willing

Words and Music by Holly Holmes Near and John Michael McCutcheon. Arranged by Adam Podd Ami Brabson, solo GA Choir and Band

Declaring our Possibilities

Discourse

Ever Willing: Becoming the People Our

World Needs

Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti*

Responsive Reading

Rev. Nancy McDonald Ladd*

Confirming our Faith

Anthem

We Can Be the Light

Words by Jan Elicker, Music by Clif Hardin GA Choir Matt Meyer, percussion

Benediction

Rev. Manish Mishra- Marzetti *

Sending Music

We Can Be the Night / I Am Willing

Adam Podd and the GA Band, Instrumental Reprise

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

Program Notes

This morning the worship team has created for us a blended morning assembly based on the Sunday Morning Worship @ GA 2023, held in Pittsburgh, PA on Sunday, June 25, 2023.

GREETERS NEEDED: Would you like to be of service to the congregation in a pleasant, relatively easy job? Red River UU needs more people to serve as greeters on Sunday mornings. The greeter smiles at attendees, tells them hello, and passes out the morning program. They also learn if the attendee is a first-time visitor, and if so, has them complete a visitor card and wear a name tag. For questions or to volunteer, contact Marion Hill, marionh3719@gmail.com or 1-580-924-7715.

THE JULY MOVEABLE FEAST has changed the date for this month's gathering. The new date is July 25 @ 1 pm. Same place: The Church, hope to see you there. The MF is open to all who enjoy informal, lively food events with other church folks. Newcomers are most welcome.

Making Things Happen Today

Board rep: David Dyer

• Greeting us at the door: Amy Hoffman-Shehan

Guest Minister: The Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti
 AV crew: Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes,

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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, July 15, 2023

10 am - Adult Forum

Emerson, Thoreau, and the Transcendentalist Movement

Now thru October 22

11:15 am – The Morning Assembly

Reflections on *Doughnut Economics*Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies, *leading*

In 2018, Kate Raworth published the book *Doughnut Economics* as an alternative to the dominant perspectives on economics that typically focus on growth in Gross National Product as the most important measure of economic progress. Raworth makes the case that economic growth should no longer be the primary way to understand societal flourishing, but rather we need to focus on economic activity that keeps us within the limits of earth's carrying capacity while making sure that the resources needed for human flourishing are distributed more equitably.

12:15 pm – Conversations & CaloriesGood Times Team 3 will be providing refreshments.

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