"Democracy means not "I am as good as you are but "you are as good as I am."

Theodore Parker\*\*

#### GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- Call to Community

Here is Where We Gather

by Patricia Shelden\*

Candles of Community

Prelude - Song 1000 Morning Has Come

Chalice Lighting

from Psalm 133

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 by Jana Norris\*

• Song - 1025

When Will the Fighting Cease? performed by Michael Tacy\*

## **EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS**

Reading

Go Out into the Highways by John Murray\*\*

Practices

The Task of the Religious Community
by Mark Morrison-Reed\*\*
Quiet Sitting for a Moment
Musical Response

Reading

from *Now Is the Accepted Time* by W.E.B. DuBois

Song

We Shall Be Known written by MaMuse | performed by WildChoir

#### **DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES**

Discourse

UU Women of Power by Jana Norris

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#### CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

Giving

Offering

by Kristin Collins

Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table.

• Song - 324

Where My Free Spirit Leads Performed by Voces Aged

Closing Thought

Be Doers of the Word

from James 1

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

## **PROGRAM NOTES**

We Welcome Today Jana Norria, a member of the worship team who kicks off the 1st occasional morning assembly called UU Women of Power (March is Women's History month). She focuses on Attorney Louise Raggio, the first female prosecutor in Dallas County and the 2nd female governor of Texas, Ann Richards, including video segments of both.

Pledge for Progress: The 2024 Stewardship Campaign is under way. Members and friends are invited (and encouraged) to participate. As with all UU congregations, each is responsible for raising the \$\$ required to keep things going. Pledge forms are on the ledge in the foyer.

#### Happening this week:

- Membership Committee 12:45 today, Chapel
- Welcoming Congregation committee 1 pm today, Emerson Rm
- ♦ New Moon Celebration 7:30 9 pm today, outside group
- Spiritual Perspectives 6:30 8 pm Tuesday, Alexander Rm
- ◆ Earth Day Planners 6 7 pm Thursday, Emerson Rm

## MAKING THINGS HAPPEN TODAY

- Board rep: Marilyn Alexander
- Greeting us at the door: Amy Hoffman-Shehan
- Keyboardist: Dan Althoff
   Leading today: Jana Norris
- AV crew: Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes, Marla Loturco
- Sunday school leader: Jack Bolerjack
- Providing refreshments: Good Times Team #2

#### WELCOME VISITORS

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 because all of who you are is welcome here.

# NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

#### 10 am - Adult Forum

Mar 10 and Mar 17 we will be watching and discussing the latest discoveries from the James Webb telescope.

# 11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

Reflections on the Eight Principles: 7th Principle: The Seventh Principle: Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part

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

The 7th principle of Unitarian Universalism affirms the truth that we as persons are part of the ecological community of all life and our flourishing as humans is dependent on the flourishing of the entire biotic community.

# 12:15 pm - Conversations & Calories

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JUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024



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