Come together. From different worlds, we are drawn together; in our own way, we can pray together.

Then together we are strong.

 \sim Michael Gott and Lainey Bernstein

Gathering our community

- Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- Call to Community

Give Thanks, Feel Alive, Know Love by Leia Durland-Jones*

Prelude/Candles of Community/Giving

If You're Out There by John Legend | performed by Center for Spiritual Living Special Choir

Chalice Lighting

Opening to the Light by SaraRuth Wekoye Davis**

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.

• Lighting the Peace Candle

EXPANDING OUR UNDERSTANDING

Opening Thought

from *Being Human Means We Are of This Earth* by Sweethome Teacup*

• Song - 1054

Let This Be a House of Peace performed by 1st Unitarian church of Baltimore, MD

Reading

from *A New Orientation* by Mariela Pérez-Simons**

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

Practices - with words, stillness, music

Meditation on Goodness by Sam Trumbore** Quiet Sitting for a Moment Musical Interlude

Special Song

Come Together by Michael Gott

*a Unitarian Universalist

**a Unitarian Universalist Minister

Declaring our possibilities

- Introducing our guest speaker
- Discourse

Science of Mind: A Philosophy, Science, or Way of Life by Jim Berrong

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

Closing Song - 1060

As We Sing of Hope and Joy performed by 1st Unitarian church of Baltimore, MD

Benediction

We All Emerge by Eric Williams*

• 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 to the free pulpit this morning Jim Berrong. Jim started exploring his Spiritual nature in his preteen years with self-hypnosis, then meditation, yoga and reading. He continued and expanded on that path in different ways eventually being led to New Thought at the Unity Temple in Kansas City, then the Unitarian Universalists community in Highland Park and finally Religious Science at CSL (Center for Spiritual Learning) in Dallas in 2008.

We're using the TEAL hymnal today, pick one up at the AV desk (and return it also.)

Check out the new Adult Forum starting next Sunday, especially if you are relatively new to Unitarian Universalism and want to get a better understanding of the two hundred years Unitarians and Universalists have been spreading liberal religion around the world. (Detail on back panel).

WHO IS DOING WHAT THIS MORNING

- Board rep for July: David Dyer
- Greeting us at the door: Paula Jennings
- Worship Associate & Soloist: Jan Fletcher
- Guest speaker: Jim Berrong
- AV crew: Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes, Marla Loturco
- Sunday school leader: Jack Bolerjack
- Providing lunch: Good Times Team #4

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 have different beliefs, but shared values.

We are Unitarian Universalists, and at the same time we may 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 distinct 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 below.) This is who we are. We are glad you joined us today because all of who you are is welcome here.

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024

10 am - Adult Forum

Long Strange Trip: A Journey Through Two Hundred Years of Unitarian Universalist History

The Rev. Dr. Phillip Hewett, minister emeritus of the Unitarian Church of Vancouver calls Long Strange Trip "lively and engaging," adding, "Although almost entirely an illustrated monologue, it never grows tedious. Such a resource is particularly valuable in a UU movement so dependent upon an influx of newcomers with no previous knowledge of its past."

11:15 am – The Morning Assembly Moving Forward with Love at the Center

The Worship Team, Marla Loturco, leading

At the last General Assembly, delegates voted to approve the new Article II of the UUA Bylaws. Six one-word values are highlighted in Article II that replaces our previous seven principles to broadcast our core values to the world. This morning a brief exploration of these six values: Equality, Generosity, Justice, Interdependence, Pluralism, and Transformation that when practiced – individually or together – form the core of who we are as Unitarian Universalist: People with Love at the Center.

12:15 pm - Conversations & Calories

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THE Morning Program





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