



RED RIVER UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS

Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020

A Flower Blossoms for its own joy.

~ Oscar Wilde

Ring the Tibetan Bowl

Call to Community *Apart but Together*
✚ Cynthia Landrum

Prelude

Chalice Lighting *For Holy Days
on Which We Recall the Old Stories*
✚ Dillman Baker Sorrells

Spoken Affirmation

Opening Thought *The Promise of Easter*
✚ Elizabeth M. Strong, *adapted*

Special Music *Verba Sancta*
✚ words and music: *F. Daniel Althoff*

Reading *We're Not Sure What Happened*
✚ Daniel E. Budd

Homily *A UU Easter Celebration*
✚ Connie Simon

Practices

Meditation *Now, In Shared Quietness*
✚ Anne E. Treadwell

Stillness for a time

Musical Response

Reading *A Celebration for Religious Liberals*
Reginald Zottoli

The Flower Communion

Sharing our Flowers

The Consecration of the Flowers Norbert Capek

Special Music *Violet*
words and music: *James Patterson*

The Communion Prayer Norbert Capek

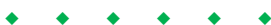
Song *Morning Has Broken*
Cat Stevens

Parting Thought *What Happens
When We Stop Living?*
✚ Nathan C. Walker

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.*

✚ Unitarian Universalist Author



PROGRAM NOTES

Today we pause to remember Easter, Passover and celebrate Flower Communion, a uniquely Unitarian Universalist ritual created by the worship team. If you were not able to get a flower for today's flower communion, feel free to hold up a picture of a flower, or tell us what imaginary flower you are holding up. Together we are adapting and adjusting to feeling connected in a virtual environment. It is, as the adage reminds us, the sentiment that counts.

Needing & Giving Help Carolyn Cameron has offered to coordinate our helping response. If ALL of us check in now - by email if possible - she will attempt to match offers to help with requests.

Do you need help? Can you give help? RIGHT NOW is the perfect time to email your status to Carolyn (chaliceart@yahoo.com). Then, look for good things to happen.

Today, hopefully, will be our last Zoom Sunday and no we are not returning to worship in the chapel. Rather, we will shift to live streaming our morning assembly starting at 11:15 am on the church's new YouTube channel: Go to YouTube and search 'redriveruu' (all one word) to watch. Check the wednesdayUPDATE in case we need another week to complete the transfer.

Our morning assemblies are now being uploaded to our YouTube channel each Sunday afternoon.

WHO'S DOING WHAT THIS SUNDAY

Leading today *Dan Althoff, Ellie Dyer, Marla Loturco, Robert Shelton*
Soloist *Dan Althoff, Ellie Dyer*
AV Desk *Jim Holmes, Doug Strong*

NEXT SUNDAY: April 19, 2020

CREATIVE, INTENTIONAL, AND RESILIENT COMMUNITY

The Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies, *preaching*

How can communities find ways to be closer in spirit in the midst of our physical distance? What can we learn from communities throughout history and around the world that have found ways to stay in relationship and find resilience in times of extreme challenge and difficulty?

You can read Mark's bio [here](#).

