



Red River Unitarian Universalists
Sunday, November 1, 2020

“Saint, n.: A dead sinner revised and edited.”

~ Ambrose Bierce
The Devil's Dictionary, 1911

Ringing the Tibetan Bowl

Prelude *Circle Round for Freedom*

Words & music: by Linda Hirschhor
Singers: Chancel Choir, Oakland UU Church

Call to Community *Community Means Strength*
By Starhawk

Chalice Lighting

Spoken Affirmation *Words on the screen*

Opening Thought *No title*
From the writings of Dorothy Day

Song *Where My Free Spirit Onward Leads*
✚ Words: Alicia S. Carpenter | Music: English traditional melody
Performed by River of Grass Unitarian Universalist Congregation Virtual Choir of Davie, Florida

Reading *All Souls in Secret Saved*
By Christine Tata

Practices *Blessed Are We*
✚ By Andrea Hawkins-Kamper

Musical Response Reprise *Circle Round for Freedom*

Reading *Invictus*
By William Ernest Henley

Discourse *All Souls, All Saints:
The Congregation of the Real World*
Christine Tata

Song *Turn the World Around*
Words & music: Harry Belafonte and Robert Freeman
✚ Arr: Jason Shelton
✚ Performed by Community Church of Chapel Hill, NC “At Home Band”

Parting Thought from *Truth or Dare: Encounters with
Power, Authority, and Mystery*
By Starhawk

Benediction *Go Now, Dear Souls*
Christine Tata

Extinguishing the Chalice *Words on the screen*

Sneak Peek *Coming Next Sunday*

✚ Lifting up Unitarian Universalist sources.

Program Notes

Welcome to our virtual morning assembly. During these challenging times it is worthy of us to be together, even if it is virtually. Community exists because people want it to and our small, feisty, august group of diverse people are committed to keeping the only religiously liberal congregation in Texoma alive and thriving. We are glad you've joined us today.

Since we can't greet you at the front door, we hope you will venture to redriveruu.org/visitor and fill out a guest card so we may get to know you. You're invited to tarry for fellowship with us .. to say a hello and to receive one .. to be among us, to be part of us: know we will welcome you. Our online coffee hour is the place (details below).

We welcome to the liberal pulpit this morning the Rev Dr. Christine Tata. She has enjoyed visiting Red River from time to time through the years to preach, lead workshops, and appreciate the growth and sincerity of this fellowship. She brings a lifelong interest in religion and spirituality, a variety of academic and professional credentials, and pastoral experience as ordained minister for several progressive congregations. Christine now writes on [Medium.com](https://medium.com) as [Rev Dr Sparky](#), continuing in her mission to inspire courage in the face of absurdity. You've invited to read "[All Souls in Secret Saved](#)", the poem she wrote and will share during the morning assembly on Sunday.

Online Coffee Hour starts shortly after the morning assembly. Good conversations, friendly smiles, but you gotta bring your own coffee! Zoom to drop in [here](#).

Who's Doing What This Sunday

Guest Minister: *the Rev. Dr. Christine Tata*
Production: *Doug Strong*

Next Sunday, November 8, 2020

“What Do You Love About Your Life?”

MarySue Forster, *speaking*

What Do You Love About Your Life? No matter what, we're still living with us. Every day. What gives you a taste of goodness, truth, and beauty every day?

MarySue has enjoyed many years of living. She has been a non-profit executive, a small business owner, a teacher, trainer, and author. At 64, she sold most of her worldly possessions and moved to Berkeley, CA to attend Starr King School for the Ministry, where she graduated with a Master of Arts in Religious Leadership for Social Change. She's a collage artist, plays the piano medium well, and spends her weekdays with two of her grandchildren in Plano, TX.



Sneak Peek: