

RED RIVER UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS

Sunday, February 14, 2021

Understanding languages and other cultures builds bridges.

~ Suzy Kassem

GATHERING OUR SELVES

- ♦ Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- ♦ Prelude - *Triángulo*- by Bobby Capo Singers: Los Baby's

CREATING VIRTUAL COMMUNITY

- ♦ Call to Community - *Gathering in Our Own Spaces* by Jeff May *
- ♦ Chalice Lighting - *Our Community Knows No Boundaries* by Nancy Reid-McKee*
- ♦ Spoken Affirmation - *words on the screen*

EXPANDING OUR UNDERSTANDINGS

- ♦ Opening Thought - from *Side Effects of Moving to a New Country* from the blog OhMyGod.
- ♦ Song - *Love Will Guide Us* Words: Sally Rogers Music: Traditional, Arr. J. David Moore Singers: Twin Cities Woman's Choir Choral Ensemble
- ♦ Reading - from *Building the World We Dream About* by Rebecca Parker

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ♦ Practices - *Love* by Enfleshed
- ♦ Musical Response - *I Know This Rose Will Open*
Music & Words: Mary E. Grigolia* Performed by Russell Posegate and friends

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

- ♦ Discourse - *Why I Won't Play Backyard Soccer in Chile*
- ♦ Song - *Where You Go, I Will Go* Created by Christopher Watkins
Lamb, Foothills Unitarian Church, Ft. Collins CO

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- ♦ Closing Thought - by *Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.*
- ♦ Extinguishing the Chalice - *words on the screen*
- ♦ Looking Ahead - *A Glimpse about next Sunday*
- ♦ Postlude - *Go Now in Peace*

* Lifting up Contributions from Unitarian Universalists



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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.

Join us for our online coffee hour immediately following this morning's assembly. The Zoom link is: 933 8502 2882.

We welcome this morning Dick Powell one of our own church members. Quick note about Dick: Born and raised in California of Anglo parents. Served in the Peace Corps in Chile and later lived in Colombia with his wife and kids. Has lived in north Texas since 1978 but can still speak Spanish. Retains an interest in and appreciation for the people of all countries where he has lived.

Because it is Valentine's day, the worship team thought it would be nice to have his soul mate, partner and spouse, Carol Powell, be our worship associate today. She agreed!

The February Red River Ramblings arrived in your inbox last Thursday. It is also available on our mobile app and our website. Or you can get it [here](#).

Church Re-imagined: What's Behind the Curtain? - is a special all-church gathering on Sun. Feb 21, immediately following the morning assembly. Read the details in the newsletter. (No online coffee that morning, but you use the same Zoom meeting link to join the adventure.)

CREATING THIS MORNING

Worship Associate: *Carol Powell*

Guest Speaker: *Dick Powell*

AV Crew: *Don Rogers, Jim Holmes*

Production: *Doug Strong, Marla Loturco*

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021

FIRST, THERE WAS EVE IN AFRICA

The rev Dr. Christine Tata, *speaking*



If you're ever feeling lonely, just remember that every stranger you meet is actually your distant kin. We are all descendants of the first human: Mitochondrial Eve, the original *homo sapiens*, who emerged in Africa as the ancestral mother of the whole race. Moreover, Africa's centuries-long history of civilizations and empire dwarfs that of the United States and most other places.