

There's no excuse for the young people not knowing who the heroes and heroines are or were.

~ Nina Simone

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

- ♦ Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- ♦ Call to Community
The Longing for Something More
by Gretchen Haley*

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ♦ Candles of Community/Prelude
- ♦ Lighting the Chalice
A Chalice Lighting For the Dark and the Light
by Frances Koziar*
- ♦ 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
Praise the World in All its Pain and Blessing
by Naureen Killoran*
- ♦ Song
Here Comes the Sun
by George Harrison

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ♦ Reading
from *The Propaganda of History*
by W.E.B. Du Bois
- ♦ Practices
Meditation
Let America Be America Again
by Langston Hughes
Stillness for a Time
Musical Response

- ♦ Reading
On Racism and Healing
by James Baldwin

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

- ♦ Discourse
History Now? Diversity, Race, and Schooling
by William Lloyd Fridley

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- ♦ Giving
Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table or donate on the homepage of the church app
- ♦ Glimmer from the Silver Jubilee
Good Religion
by F. Daniel Althoff
- ♦ Parting Thought
Closing Thought Fitted for This Day
by Kimberly Quinn Johnson
- ♦ 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

*Lifting up contributions from Unitarian Universalists

PROGRAM NOTES

We welcome back this morning, a friend of the congregation William Lloyd Fridley along with his wife Carolyn Althoff Fridley (Dan's sister). William will be retiring after 23 years as Professor of Education at Southeastern Oklahoma State University.

Fridley is a philosopher of education, and a faculty advocate and activist working to promote shared governance in his work with the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) and as archivist for the SOSU Faculty

Senate. He and his wife Carolyn will be moving their tent to Atlantic Beach, Florida. It is a joy to have them back again. William has let several morning assemblies for us over the years and became one of most popular guests.

Glimmers from the Silver Jubilee One Sunday a month during our Silver Jubilee we'll focus on a bit of our history. Kicking things off is a song composed by our own Dan Althoff who will tell us the genius of its creation.

The Committee on Ministry meets today following the morning assembly. Carolyn Cameron and Elbert Hill are available to anyone who wishes to speak with them about any concerns, problems, ideas or suggestions you may have and want to discuss with the committee. You will find them in the chapel.

Newsletter deadline was last night, so if you forgot, please send in your stuff today to news@redriveruu.org.

On the cover: *Beyond Teachers Pay: Classroom Size Matters* by the Oklahoma Policy Institute

MAKING THINGS HAPPEN TODAY

- ♦ Board Rep: *Dick Powell*
- ♦ Greeting us at the door: *Carolyn Cameron*
- ♦ Ask Me Host: *David Dyer*
- ♦ Keyboardist/Soloist: *Dan Althoff*
- ♦ Worship Associate: *Thomas Garland*
- ♦ Guest Speaker/Singer: *Dr. William Lloyd Fridley*
- ♦ AV Crew: *Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes, Marla Loturco*
- ♦ Sunday School Leader: *Ellie Dyer*

WELCOME GUESTS

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 app 'Red River UU' from Google Play or the App Store.

This is who we are. We are glad you joined us today.



NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2022

10 am - Adult Forum

Science and Religion

Now through April the Forum is exploring the Great Courses Series *Science and Religion*. Details of each week's lecture/discussion is available on the church calendar and mobile app.

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

Survival

Dr Don Fielding, *guest minister*

It is a very scary time. Survival is on everyone's mind. Will Ukraine survive? Will democracy survive? Polls are showing that young people are increasingly leaving religion; will religion survive? And if religion is threatened, what about our religion? Are Unitarian Universalism days numbered too?

I will have some thoughts about the survival of religion, and our religion as well. Come and hear my recommendations about what we need to do to survive.

12:15 pm – Conversations & Calories

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The Morning Program



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