

We must be the change we wish to see in the world.

~ Mahatma Gandhi

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

- ◆ With hellos & “air” hugs
- ◆ Ringing the Tibetan Bowl

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ◆ Call to Community
Come Into This Place of Peace
by William F. Schulz *
- ◆ Candles of Community/Prelude
Peace Chant
By Jerry Estes Lake Park Choir
- ◆ Lighting the Chalice
We Gather This Hour
by Christine Robinson*
- ◆ 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
Some Words of Introduction about Peace Makers

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ◆ Practices
Meditation
by Lao-Tse
Sitting Together in Stillness
Musical Response
What Wondrous Love is This
Words: American Folk hymn | Music: *Southern Harmony*

Lifting up contributions from Unitarian Universalists

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

- ◆ Discourse - Part I
Henry Davi Thoreau - Living Delibertely
- ◆ Selected Quotes from Henry David Thoreau*
- ◆ Song
Tis A Gift to Be Simple
Music: American Shaker time | Words: Joseph Bracket
- ◆ Discourse - Part II
- ◆ Quotes from Mahatma Gandhi
Mahatma Gandhi - Living Peacefully
- ◆ Quotes from Mahatma Gandhi
- ◆ Song
Be the Change
by Gandhi rap | sung by MC Yogi

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- ◆ Giving
Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table
- ◆ Benediction
Go In Peace.
by Mark L. Belletine*
- ◆ 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
We Would Be One
Words: Samuel Anthony Wright | Music: Jean Sibelius

PROGRAM NOTES

Leading our morning assembly today was created by the worship team. Originally the series was going to introduce us to 4 peacemakers at each of the 5 Sundays the series will run. Turns out the series will, we feel, more fulfilling by exploring just two people on a Sunday.

We will continue on the last Sunday of the month through the reminder of 2022. Then we will start up again mid 2023 with the remaining peacemakers. Kudos to Jana and Marla who put together this morning discourse, which will be in two parts.

The aesthetics team is *still* in search of a sewer who would enjoy a sewing project that will require someone with experience in making curtains. Intrigued? Speak with Carol or Doug.

Fifth Sunday All Church Potluck is today following the morning assembly. Everyone is warmly invited to stay and enjoy spending time with people you know and people you don't know. If you forgot to bring food, or you're visiting and didn't know, we urge you not to worry, nor to sneak out thinking it isn't fair to eat when you didn't bring something. Nope. That's not our way. Stay, enjoy, meet someone new. (And if you would really feel guilty, stay and help clean up 😊.)



Minister Search Team is holding four meetings starting next week and invite all to come and talk with them about what you would like to see in a minister. These informal sessions will be Aug 4, 7, 9, and 14. Details are posted on the foyer bulletin board. Members, visitors, friends are urged to take

part. It is critical that the Search Team get as many perspectives, hopes, and concerns people have.

Program Notes continues on back panel

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.



MAKING IT HAPPEN THIS MORNING:

- ◆ Board Rep & Greeting us at the door: *David Dyer*
- ◆ Ask Me Host: *Doug Strong*
- ◆ Worship Associate: *Jan Fletcher*
- ◆ Leading today: *Marla Loturco*
- ◆ AV Crew: *Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes*
- ◆ Sunday School Leader: *Ellie Dyer*
- ◆ Providing refreshments: *Everyone! It's the 5th Sunday Potluck and everyone is invited to tarry for lunch*

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022

10 am - Adult Forum

Comparative Religion

A Great Courses Video Series now thru Oct. 9

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

The Democracy of Beloved Community

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

The world deeply needs religious visions that model inclusion, community, and democracy rather than patriarchy, hierarchy, and autocracy – visions that call us to look around and join with others in beloved, just, and participatory communities rather than looking up and bowing down.

12:15 pm - Calories & Conversations



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The Morning Program

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*We are a sanctuary for religious liberals
celebrating compassion, diversity,
and spiritual growth.*