

If we learn nothing else from this tragedy, we learn that life is short and there is no time for hate.

~ **Sandy Dahl**,

wife of Flight 93 pilot **Jason Dahl**, in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, in 2002.

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

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

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ◆ Call to Community
Words of Welcome for a Difficult Morning
by Erika A. Hewitt*
- ◆ Candles of Community/Prelude
The song has many titles
music: Unknown composer, often attributed to John Bull, d. 1628
- ◆ Lighting the Chalice
Origin Story
by anastasia birosh
- ◆ 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
From *Chose Life*
A sermon by the Rev. Margaret A. Beckman
minister of the UU Congregation of Castine, ME
- ◆ Images of September 11, 2001
Music: *On That Day*
by Leonard Cohen

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ◆ Discourse - Part 1
from *Choose Life*
by Rev. Beckman*

- ◆ Song
Follow The Light
by John McCutcheon, Tom Chapin, Michael Mark, and Jon Cober,
- ◆ Practices
Meditation
The Summer Day
by Mary Oliver
Sitting for a Moment
Musical Response
It Is Well
music: Horatio Spafford | guitarist: Josh Snodgrass

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

- ◆ Discourse - Part 2
from *Choose Life*
by Rev. Beckman*
- ◆ Giving
Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table
- ◆ Song
Follow The Flame
written and performed by Dan Schatz

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- ◆ Discourse - Part 3
from *Choose Life*
by Rev. Beckman*
- ◆ Parting Images
music: *There Are No Words*
by Kitty Donohoe | Performed by the United States Air Force Band
- ◆ 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.*

*Lifting up contributions from Unitarian Universalists

PROGRAM NOTES

Leading our morning assembly today are members of the Worship Team.

Chair Yoga class continues on Tuesday @ 10. Led by Marsha Runnels, you are invited, even encouraged, to give it a try. Newcomers are most welcome to join the 11 people who attended last week.

The Minister Search Team meets on Thursday, Sept 11 @ 2 pm in the Alexander Room and on Zoom (meeting 989 0789 7878). Visitors are welcome to attend the meeting.

The Social Justice Committee: If you want to participate in the new Red River UU Social Justice Committee, please come to our organizational meeting that is changed to Friday, September 16 from 5:30 to 7:30 at the Church. (It was originally scheduled for Saturday, September 17 @ 2 pm).

We will meet to discuss ideas from the TXUUM, write postcards and plan for the next month's activities.

We will also discuss the upcoming National Voter Registration Day event at the Church on the next Tuesday. UUs can make a difference...Be part of the solution! See you Friday!

Program notes continued 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: *Marilyn Alexander*
- ◆ Greeting us at the door: *Amy Hoffman-Shehan*
- ◆ Ask Me Host: *David Dyer*
- ◆ Creating today's Morning Assembly: *The Worship Team*
- ◆ Leading things: *Michelle Haynes, Marla Loturco, Doug Strong*
- ◆ AV Crew: *Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Marla Loturco*
- ◆ Sunday School Leader: *Ellie Dyer*
- ◆ Providing refreshments: *Dick & Carol Powell, Elbert & Marion Hill*

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

10 am - Adult Forum

Comparative Religion

A Great now thru Oct. 9

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

Peacebuilding in a War-Torn World

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

Each generation seems to find ways to perpetuate war in our world, leading us to wonder if true peace will ever be possible. In this discourse, I will explore the factors and conditions that might bring us to an experience of a more peaceful and just world. What will it take to move in the direction of perpetual peace rather than perpetual war?

Conversations & Conversations

Good Times Team 3

Our answer to traditional coffee hour! Gathering in the Alexander and Emerson Rooms by the upper lobby we meet and greet and enjoy a variety of snacks. Join us, please, it is a nice way to meet one another.



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