

Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that.
~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

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

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ◆ Call to Community
from *The 2010 UU Statement of Conscience*
Approved by the Unitarian Universalist General Assembly
- ◆ Candles of Community/Prelude
Strangest Dream
by Ed McCurdy | sung by Pete Seeger*
- ◆ Lighting the Chalice
From the Oberlin UU Fellowship, Oberlin OH*
- ◆ 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
When I Say It's You, I Like
by Fred Rogers
- ◆ Song
Draft Dodger Rag
by Phil Ochs | Sung by Smothers Brothers & George Segal

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ◆ Reading
The Peace of the Wild Things
by Wendell Berry

- ◆ Practices
Meditation
When Great Trees Fall
by Maya Angelou
Sitting for a Moment
Musical Response
Peace of Wild Things
music: Malcolm Dalglish | words: Wendell Berry |
singing: The Starry Mountain Singers
- ◆ Reading
from *Being Peace*
by Thich Nhat Hanh
- ◆ Song
God's Counting on Me, God's Counting on You
written and sung by Pete Seeger*

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

- ◆ Discourse
Peace-Building in a War Torn World
by The Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- ◆ Giving
Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table
- ◆ Song
There Is a Love
Words: Rebecca Parker* | Music: Elizabeth Norton
- ◆ Parting Thought
from *The Story of My Experiments with Truth*
by Mohandas Gandhi
- ◆ Extinguishing the Chalice
(Kindly remain seated for the postlude today)
*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

Let There Be Peace on Earth
by Jill Jackson & Sy Miller | performed by The Galaxy Children's Choir of Beijing with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra.

PROGRAM NOTES

Leading our morning assembly today is the Rev. Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies. You can read his bio on our mobile app and the church calendar on the homepage of our website: redriveruu.org

Chair Yoga class continues on Tuesday @ 10. Led by Marsha Runnels, you are invited, even encouraged, to give it a try. Newcomers welcomed.

Our president Marilyn reminds all who have annual reports to prepare for next month's fall congregational meeting that the Sun, Sept 25 deadline looms. Remember annual reports report on what was done, not what hopes or dreams your committee/team/interest group may be planning. The report period is October 1, 2021, thru September 30, 2022. Email reports to president@redriveruu.org.

Tues. Sept 20 is National Voter Registration Day, and the social justice committee will be at church from 4-7 pm to register new voters, update addresses or name changes and answer questions about the next TX voter laws for November. Stop by and get registered to vote or find out if there are things you much change in order to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

On the cover - DATU SAUDI AMPATUAN, Maguindanao—If he had his way, Mayor Samsudin “Sam” Dimaukom would paint this town a shocking pink. “Pink is the color of love and peace,” he said. “That’s what’s needed in a region wracked by a decades-long Moro insurgency.” He wears pink shirts and drives a pink Hummer, because pink providing a stark and hopeful contrast to the tan backdrop of this dusty town of rice and corn farmers.

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 Apps 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: *Carolyn/Bruce Cameron*
- ◆ Ask Me Host: *Amy Hoffman-Shehan*
- ◆ Leading today: *Marla Loturco & Jan Norris*
- ◆ AV Crew: *Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes*
- ◆ Sunday School Leader: *Ellie Dyer*
- ◆ Providing refreshments: *Marilyn Alexander, Hannah Peterson, Bruce & Carolyn Cameron*

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

10 am - Adult Forum

Comparative Religion

A Great Courses Video Series now thru Oct. 9

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

Peace Sunday #3: Living Peace

Jana Norris & Marla Loturco, *leading*

This morning for our third Peace Sunday we continue this special series based on the book *Great Peacemakers: True Stories from Around the World* by Ken Beller and Heather Chase by taking a look at four great peacemakers: Mother Teresa, Thich Nhat Han, Colman McCarthy, and Oscar Arias. Their lives stand out for peace in our current situation and learning more about them can be inspiring.

12:15 pm - Calories & 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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