

*You are not obligated to complete the work but neither are you
free to abandon it.*

~ Pirkei Avot

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ◆ Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- ◆ Call to Community
Invitation to Join the Journey
by Lynn Cox*
- ◆ Candles of Community/Prelude
Morning Has Come
by Jason Shelton* | performed by 1st Unitarian Church
of Baltimore, MD
- ◆ Lighting the Chalice
Bold and Courageous Together
by Erika Hewitt*
- ◆ 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 *Civilization and Its Discontents*
by Sigmund Freud
- ◆ Song 1014
Answering the Call of Love
by Jason Shelton* | Jonathan Long, Tenor; Gerald A
Brown, Piano, Community Church of New York UU

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ◆ Reading
from *The Ethics of Ambiguity*
by Simone de Beauvoir

◆ Practices

Meditation

At Some Time

by Rebecca Bryan*

Quiet Sitting for a Moment

Musical Response

God Who Fills the Universe

music: Transylvanian hymn, performed by Bonnie
Ettinger*

◆ Reading

from *The Responsible Self*

by H. Richard Niebuhr

◆ Song - 10015

I Know I Can

music: Jeannie Gagne | words: Denis Hamilton* | per-
formed by UU Church of Elgin, IL

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

◆ Discourse

What is Our Responsibility?

by Mark Y.A. Davies

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

◆ Giving

Sing & Rejoice

music *Traditional Round* | performed by Bonnie
Ettinger*

◆ Song - 1017

Building a New Way

by Martha Sandefer | Singers: UU Society of Grafton &
Upton, MA

◆ Parting Thought

from *On Liberty*

by John Stuart Mill

◆ 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

God Who Fills the Universe

Music: Transylvanian hymn | Performed by Bonnie Ettinger*

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 in the Upcoming Services listing on our website.

The Welcoming Congregation Committee invites everyone to a Postcard Party at the church on Saturday, March 11th from 1 to 4 pm. We'll be writing personal messages to our various area Texas State legislators letting them know our opposition to the various anti-LGBTQIA bills that are slated this session. The postcards will be bulk mailed to Equality Texas. Snacks & good conversation will be served! See Jack, Adrian, Amy, or Marla for details.

Tuesday's Events: Chair Yoga -10 am |Spiritual Self-help Group/BookClub. Both events welcome newcomers

A Very Special Morning for RedRiverUU is in the works for the last Sunday of March when we conclude our 25th anniversary. A morning not to miss. From the Adult Forum thru the Appreciation Sunday Dinner a worthwhile way to share knowing we've done a good thing sustaining the area's only religiously liberal faith community for a quarter century. A worthy reason to celebrate.

MAKING IT HAPPEN THIS MORNING:

- ◆ Board Rep: *Carole Harner*
- ◆ Greeting us at the door: *TBA*
- ◆ Ask Me Host: *Marion Hill*
- ◆ Leading today: *the Rev Dr. Mark Y.A. Davies*
- ◆ AV Crew: *Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes, Marla Loturco*
- ◆ Sunday School Leader: *David Dyer*
- ◆ Providing refreshments: *Good Times Team One*

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.



NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2022

10 am - Adult Forum

The Long Strange Trip

A Journey Through Two Thousand Years Of Unitarian
Universalist History
Now through April 23rd

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

The Wisdom and Dangers of Religious Myths

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

The scriptures of the world's religions contain great wisdom for humanity, but they are products of their context, and when we attempt to take them literally and apply them without critical interpretation, they can be used in unhealthy, dangerous, and even deadly ways. the salvation of the whole ecological community.

12:15 pm – Conversations & Calories

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THE MORNING PROGRAM

SUNDAY, March 5, 2023



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