

To say that life is ambiguous is to assert that its meaning is never fixed, that it must constantly be won.

~Simone de Beauvoir

GATHERING OUR COMMUNITY

- ♦ Ringing the Tibetan Bowl
- ♦ Call to Community
Love is the Center and Foundation
by Shari Woodbury*
- ♦ Candles of Community
Prelude: Prayer for this House
- ♦ Chalice Lighting
Love is the Center and Foundation
by Adam Slate*
- ♦ 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
Song of Myself, N^o 44 (1892 Version)
By Walt Whitman*
- ♦ Song - 6
Just As Long as I Have Breath
performed by Michael Tacy*

EMBRACING OUR LIMITATIONS

- ♦ Reading
Miracles
by Walt Whitman*
- ♦ Song - 346
Come Sing a Song With Me
performed by 1st Unitarian Church of Baltimore*
- ♦ Practices
Reflection
In-betweenness
by Michelle LaGrave**
Quiet Sitting for a Moment
Musical Response
Acoustic Classical Guitar
- ♦ Reading
Invictus
by William Earnest Henley

DECLARING OUR POSSIBILITIES

- ♦ Discourse
Existentialism for Today
by Elbert Hill

CONFIRMING OUR FAITH

- ♦ Giving
Those who wish may bring their gifts to the table.
Giving music by Dan Althoff
- ♦ Song – 311
Let It Be a Dance
- ♦ Closing Thought
As We Go Forward
by Cheryl Block*
- ♦ 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

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PROGRAM NOTES

We Welcome Today one of our own, Dr. Elbert Hill who was invited by the worship team to speak today. You may read his bio on your church app and our website.

By Now, you realize that the March issue of *Red River Ramblings* is not in your inbox. That's because a special email was sent yesterday to the membership asking them to vote yes/no/abstain to add our church name to a letter showing our support for the work done in El Paso by Annunciation House, a Catholic organization that accompanies migrants. The newsletter – with the letter and the results of the vote – will be released at 6 pm this evening.

MAKING THINGS HAPPEN TODAY

- ♦ Board rep: *Marilyn Alexander*
- ♦ Greeting us at the door:
- ♦ Worship Associate: *Jana Norris*
- ♦ Guest speaker: *Elbert Hill*
- ♦ AV crew: *Carole Harner, Don Rogers, Jim Holmes, Marla Loturco*
- ♦ Sunday school leader: *Jack Bolerjack*
- ♦ Providing refreshments: *Good Times Team #1*

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WELCOME VISITORS

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 mobile app 'Red River UU' from Google Play or the Apps Store (or use the QR code on the back panel.) This is who we are. We are glad you joined us today because all of who you are is welcome here.

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

10 am - Adult Forum

A Virtual Look at the Universe

Now thru March 10

11:15 am - The Morning Assembly

UU Women of Power

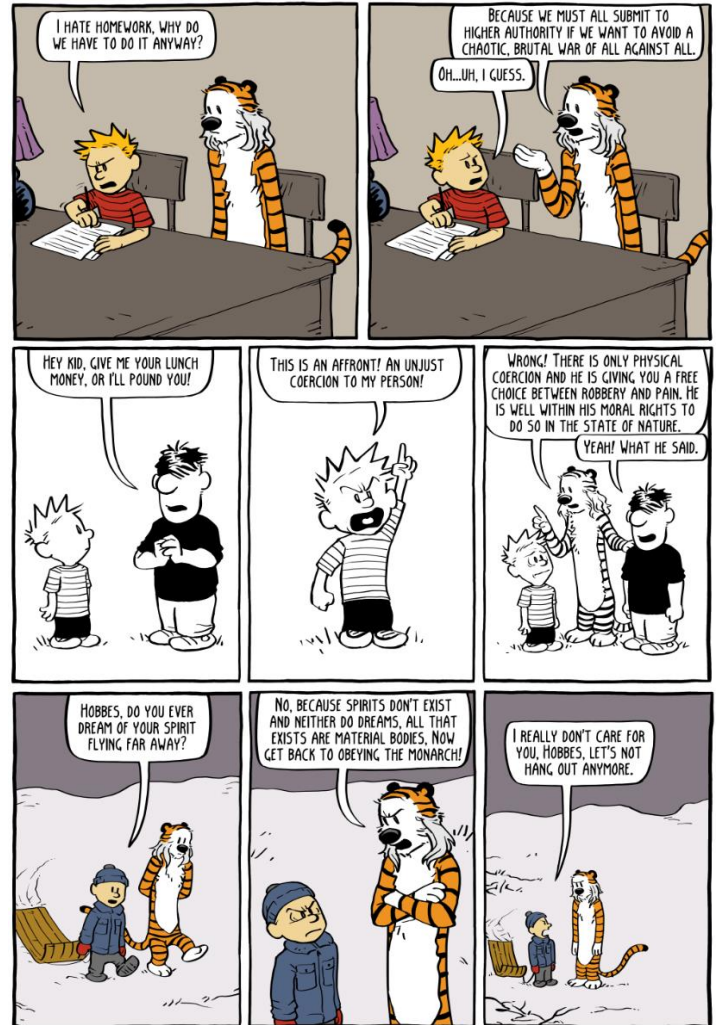
Jana Norris, *guest speaker*

In honor of Women's History Month, the Worship Team invites you to meet two UU Women of Power - graduates of North Texas' own First Unitarian Church of Dallas: Attorney Louise Raggio, the first female prosecutor in Dallas County and the second female governor of Texas, Ann Richards. Then sprinkled on selected Sundays through the year, the worship team will share stories from the abundant resources to lift UU women's historic contributions to our faith.

12:15 pm – Conversations & Calories

THE MORNING PROGRAM

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024



Spiritually Alive
Joyfully Inclusive
Justice Centered



