

Meridian Update

Unitarian Universalist Church of Tippecanoe County

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A Series of Signs

Unitarian Universalist Church



Love is the spirit of this church, and service is its law.

This is our covenant: to dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.



IN THIS CONGREGATION, WE BELIEVE:

LOVE IS LOVE

CLIMATE CHANGE IS REAL

NO HUMAN BEING IS ILLEGAL

ALL GENDERS ARE WHOLE, HOLY, & GOOD

WOMEN HAVE AGENCY OVER THEIR BODIES

Speaker: Rev. Rosemary Morrison

Associate: Dianna Poindexter

Music: Richard Maddux

Online Support: Oesten Nelson, Alice Pawley,

and Eric Thiel

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Order of Service for May 17th, 2020

Gathering Music Etude No. 5

By Philip Glass

Richard Maddux (piano)

Welcome

Chalice Lighting

If our lives are but a series of signs, I wonder where today's signposts are. Are they hidden, are we paying attention? Are the highlights of our lives whizzing past like highway signs on a long road trip? Maybe we are needing this time to collectively slow down.

As we light our chalice, both real and imagined we are reminded to slow down and pay attention. Lighting this chalice, the symbol of our faith invites us into a calm tenderness where the signs of our life become clearer and easier to read, and where we can rest even for a moment.

Our Covenant

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Call to Worship

Hymn 188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are

Offering

Offertory Truman Sleeps

By Philip Glass

Richard Maddux (piano)

Hymn 109 *Meditation on Breathing*

Meditation and prayers

Message A Series of Signs

Rev. Rosemary Morrison

Hymn 1010 We Give Thanks

Extinguish Chalice We Are One

Never has it been more true than now: We extinguish this flame, But the sparks within us remain alight. From each of us, in our supposed solitude, the signals buzz and hum, sparkling Through space one to another, Connecting us invisibly,

but palpably, we are one. And from every window,

our light shines.

By Amy Zucker Morgenstern

Benediction

Do not be dismayed by the brokenness of the world.
All things break, and all things can be mended.
Not with time, as they say, but with intention.
So go. Love intentionally, love extravagantly, love unconditionally.

The broken world waits in darkness for the light that is you.

L.R. Knost

Go in peace gentle people.

Postlude Opening (from Glassworks)

By Philip Glass

Richard Maddux (piano)

May Congregational Meeting

It is very important that signed members attend this meeting immediately after the service in the same zoom space as the service. http://uuctc.org/sunday

Religious Exploration

Zoom meeting from 12-12:30 (RE) and 12:30-1 (Youth) https://uuctc.org/re

UU CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Rosemary Morrison — Interim Minister

Nicole McCabe — Director of Religious Exploration

Janice Brennan — Musician

Monty Myszak — Office Administrator

Christina Wright — Nursery Coordinator

Announcements

Sunday, May 17th Congregational Meeting

Immediately following the online service this **Sunday, May 17th** the May Congregational Meeting will be electing new members of the board, nominating committee and endowment committee. There will also be some important updates about church finances bylaw revisions, and the search for our next settled minister.

Fundraiser Update

Tomato Plant Sale = $$300^{.00}$ Face Mask Sale = $$565^{.00}$

Thank you to everyone who has participated!!

Lunch with Rev. Rosemary

https://uuma.zoom.us/j/96146624177

Every Thursday at noon bring your questions, concerns, and of course your lunch to visit with our Interim Minister.

With the

Virtual Insight Meditation

lafayetteinsightmeditation@gmail.com

Anyone is welcome to join us for a Virtual Insight Meditation on Zoom! We're a small community that has found deep value in practicing stillness and focusing on awareness on our breathing and thoughts, and supporting each other in doing so.

You can join us at: https://proxy.qualtrics.com/proxy/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fuuctc.org%2Finsight-zoom&token=UbpjTHhyV79Vmfhcs9ZwJqoGRov0Ap0vckX9j%2FKXU%2B0%3D

Join the web-based Zoom meeting (works best on Chrome) at: https://proxy.qualtrics.com/proxy/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fuuctc.org%2Finsight-web&token=q%2BqmAjOo9YxgaKw2%2BxwwvWbT7i%2FEfBkqxAkp7MVwn1s%3D

Meeting ID: 863 1429 6645

Password: 212486

Additional details are at uuctc.org/insight-dial-in

Child / Youth RE (Religious Exploration)

RE Calendar: Nicole McCabe, dre@uuctc.org

For more information about the RE (Religious Exploration) program, please contact Nicole McCabe at <a href="mailto:december-decem

Zoom: Sunday, May 17th from 12-12:30 (Religious Exploration) and 12:30-1:00 (Youth) This week we'll talk about collections.

https://uuctc.org/re

Weekly Challenge: Upcycled Art-This week we'll create upcycled art out of things we have laying around the house/yard ex. toilet paper tubes, pine cones, milk cartons, rocks, etc.

Chalice Lighting: "The cure for boredom is curiosity. There is no cure for curiosity."

- Ellen Parr





When going to typical play centers and gyms may be risky, nature is always there to entertain.

Nature fun:

- Jump in leaf pile
- Take your binoculars with you on a hike
- Make a nature mandala
- Make tree bark rubbings
- Stack or skip rocks
- Play eye spy
- Build a fort
- Have a picnic



In early March, Beth Misner, JJ Rode and Lisa Pantea planted heirloom tomato seeds in anticipation of our annual May UUC Plant Sale. Those seeds have now turned into about 420 tomato plants and we would like to offer these plants to the congregation and friends in an 'amended' plant sale. All heirloom tomatoes are from Beth Misner's garden and are mid to late season. Below is a list of the tomato types, description, and how many small plants we currently have. The plants are available anytime, but the pickup details have not been confirmed. Possible plans are to have them in the UUC playground area for pick up and payment. Most of the plants are currently 2-4 inches tall and can be repotted into 4" pots if need be, depending on when you would like them, now or later in May.

If you are interested in these plants, please notify Lisa Pantea at <u>lisapantea@gmail.com</u> or Beth Misner at <u>ejmmustang@gmail.com</u>, stating what type and how many plants you would like. Suggested price is \$2 to \$3, cash or check only, however any donation amount is welcome since this was intended to be a church fundraiser.

Type	Qty Available	Description
Pineapple	77	1 plus lb. fruits that are yellow and red striped. Very pretty and tasty.
Pink Brandywine	42	1 lb. pink slicing tomato known for flavor.
Olpaka	60	Flavorful horn shaped paste tomatoes, dark red and dense. My favorite canning and sauce tomato. Half to 1 lb.
Yellow Pear	40	Small tasty pear shaped tomatoes. Kids love to go out and graze them in the garden. Grows in clumps like grapes.
Oxheart	47	Heart shaped 1 lb. red tomatoes can be used for canning or slicing.
Dark Cherry	42	These and the Yellow Pear tomatoes often just grow in my compost heap, so I don't really know the original name of these 1 oz. fruits, with a good burst of flavor.
Black Krim	30	Dark brown red tomato 8 to 16 oz, bold flavor.
Japanese Trifele	6	4 to 6 oz pear shaped fruit with rich flavor. Cherry tomatoes.
Old German	62	These tasty tomatoes can grow to over 2 lbs. Often one slice for a sandwich. A favorite tomato of many of my friends.
Mortgage Lifter	4	

MASK FUNDRAISER - LIFESAVER MAKING MASKS FOR UU AND FRIENDS

100% of your donation will be given to UUCTC (Locally or online, most masks sell for \$10-\$30) Can't afford to pay? That's OK. Give what you can. I am donating the time and materials: 2-layer high quality cotton fabric, elastic thread.

If you want a mask, comment on my Facebook post on UU Discussion Group, or private message me, or email jeanfiddle@gmail.com. Masks are reversible and come in assorted prints and colors. When your mask is ready, I will send my address, put your mask(s) in a bag on my porch, and your donation (cash or check made out to UUCTC) can be placed in the bag, when you pick up your mask.

Children's sizes upon special request.

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Thanks! Jean Herr