

July 5th, 2020



The Meridian

Unitarian Universalist Church of Tippecanoe County

333 Meridian Street - West Lafayette, Indiana 47906 - uuctc.org

Creating Beloved Community



Speaker: Rev. Rosemary Morrison

Associate: Dianna Poindexter

Music: Led by Hilary Noel

Online Support: Alice Pawley, Eric Thiel

Link: <http://uuctc.org/sunday>

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Order of Service for July 5th, 2020

Gathering Music Presented by Hilary Noel

Call to Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Chalice Lighting

Blessed are you who know that the work of the church is transformation of society, who have a vision of Beloved Community transcending the present, and who do not shrink from controversy, sacrifice or change. Blessed are you indeed!

By John Buehrens

Our Covenant

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.

Hymn 188 *Come, Come Whoever You Are*
Led by Hilary Noel

Time for All Ages

Donna O'Neeshuck Was Chased by Some Cows
By Bill Grossman, Sue Truesdell (Illustrator)
Read by Gale Charlotte

Reflection Dianna Poindexter

Offering

Offertory

Joys and Concerns

Message **Creating Beloved Community**
Rev. Rosemary Morrison

Hymn 1008 *When Our Heart is in a Holy Place*
Led by Hilary Noel

Extinguish Chalice

May we together continue to move toward the creation of the beloved community, even as we go by our own time, "that is always flexible, unhurried and kind."

May we embrace each other's vulnerability and value as we continue to discover what matters most.

May we all, as one in union, direct our hearts to reconciliation and redemption, to bring about that exuberant gladness of a new age.

By The Rev. Dr. Jim Fruehling

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

Welcome Session/Coffee Time Kirsten Reynolds

Please join us for a time of fellowship, conversation and to welcome visitors/newcomers 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>

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From the Ministerial Search Committee:

Why did you say yes when asked to be on the ministerial search committee?

Stephen David: "I self-nominated because it was an opportunity to be involved in a different way. It's important work, and I'm ready to do this."

Kim Smith: I said yes because we are at an important point in our congregation and I want to do my part in building on our momentum for the future.

Sherry Tripodi: I am excited to work with this group of people and to help make a decision that will have a long term impact on the church. I also look forward to serving on the Committee on Ministry after the new minister is chosen.

Susanne McConville: I said yes because I think we are at a crucial time in the growth of our congregation, and I want to be a part of the process. I enjoyed serving on the Committee on Ministry in three years ago, and look forward to working with this group.

Barney Dunning: I served on this committee nine years ago and I knew it would be helpful to have some institutional memory. I very much enjoyed the experience.

Brent Jesiek: I was the last to be asked, so I knew who else was on the committee and was excited to work with this group. I also had served on the board during the period when Rev. Charlie stepped down and we hired Rev. Rosemary. I think I learned a lot about the congregation through that period of transition which might be helpful during this next search process.

New Grounds Committee!

Please join us in thanking **Susanne McConville** and **Lorraine Myer** for agreeing to co-chair this important committee.

Guidelines for this group are:

1. We want the grounds to be appealing and pleasant to look at. We want people to see that we care about our space.
2. We want to honor our 7th Principle of "Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part."
3. We want the grounds to be as low-maintenance as possible as we strive for both the above.

If you have a few hours to spare, and enjoy digging, planting, raking, or weeding please contact:

Susanne McConville at

suemcconville1200@gmail.com or

Lorraine Myer at lorraine@rlmyer.com.

People who have donated or volunteered:

Larry Guentert	JJ Rode	Neetu Sinha
Denise Laussade	Lisa Pantea	Susan Wilson
Lonna Beardsley	Kim Harden	Eric Thiel
Bobby Dunning	Tom Smith	Polly
Jacqueline Nelson	Della Willman	

Committee Members:

Noemi Ybarra	Beth Misner
Walter Murphy	Lorraine Myer
Amanda Estes	Susanne McConville

Thank you!!



GREAT Job!
Looks AMAZING!

Ways to Connect

- **People Who Identify As Women group** – contact Sherry Tripodi (sherrytripodi@yahoo.com) to be added to this email list. Meetings are happening both on zoom and in person.
- **People Who Identify as Men group** – contact Josh Prokopy (joshuaprokopy@gmail.com) to be added to this email list. They meet outdoors every couple of weeks.
- **Feminist Book Group** – contact Linda Prokopy (lprokopy@gmail.com) to be added to the list and to receive our current reading list. We're meeting over zoom once a month.
- The **UU Flames** are playing this summer in the WL coed softball league. Anyone 18 years of age or older is more than welcome to join. Please contact Mark VaMeeter (mvanmeeter@comcast.net) for more details.

Sunday

As part of our 8th Principle Task Force, **Schane Coker** will be teaching a class on Critical Race Theory **Sundays from 2 pm to 3:30 pm starting July 12** via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85913209223?pwd=WmlxTGtod2lSM2V3OXY4OHQrT0I0QT09>

Monday

Anyone is welcome to join us for a **Virtual Insight Meditation** [every Monday at 7pm](#) on Zoom! We're a small community that has found deep value in practicing stillness and focusing on awareness on our breathing, 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%2BxwwwWbT7i%2FEfBkqxAkp7MVwn1s%3D>

Meeting ID: 863 1429 6645 Password: 212486

Tuesday

Join **Tom Smith on the church lawn every Tuesday** for the next 2 weeks at noon. Bring your own chair, a lunch not to share, and an empty bladder. Face masks encouraged but physical distancing will not be optional.

The overarching topic will be "Imagining a Different World: What does the world look like when the Climate Crisis is a distant memory and wild things coexist with humans and flourish?" If you have Climate Emergency anxiety combined with Covid social isolation sadness, this could be the group for you! It's cheaper than therapy and not as fattening as chocolate chip cookies?!

⇒ **July 7:** Reimagining Transportation: How will we get around in such a world?

⇒ **July 14:** Reimagining Clothing and Food: What will we wear and how shall we eat in such a world?

Wednesday

Lunch with Rev. Rosemary. Every **Wednesday at noon** bring your questions, concerns, and of course your lunch to visit with our Interim Minister <https://uuma.zoom.us/j/96146624177>

UU News & Announcements

THE EXPONENT

'What they are affirming'

Local church offers a social justice,
spiritual haven for community

A 'Welcoming Congregation'

Tucked beneath a canopy of trees near a bend in Meridian Street sits a church with a banner bearing all the colors of the rainbow. Printed in white block text on each stripe of color is an assertion; together, the statements preview a belief system brazen in its liberal skew.

"Love is love," read white letters printed onto the purple top row. "Black lives matter," the banner proclaims next, and further down, "All genders are whole, holy and good."...

See the entire story about our church online at:

https://www.purdueexponent.org/city_state/article_8e43f4dc-bb14-11ea-9f02-13bcc659e05.html

Child /Youth RE (Religious Exploration)

RE Calendar: Nicole McCabe, dre@uuctc.org

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote: journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.

—The Proposed 8th Principle of Unitarian Universalism

The theme for July is to explore the 8th principle. Here are some resources to get started:

- <https://www.8thprincipleuu.org>
- <https://www.blacklivesuu.com>
- <https://www.uua.org/midamerica/news/blog/my-experience-8th-principle>
- <https://tolerance.org>
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NURSERY

Christina Wright, Nursery@uuctc.org

Safe from judgement, prejudice, and fear
Speak your mind with opinions clear
Freedom to sing and dance and play
To live your dreams and love your way
Let no one condemn or steal your souls
Be accepting of others with kindness for all

-Karen Horsley



Your church proudly supports:

- YWCA Greater Lafayette Women's Shelter
- LUM Lafayette Urban Ministry
- Family Promise
- Veteran's Stand Down (Tippecanoe County Veterans Service)

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