

MT. DIABLO UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Sunday, November 21, 2021

“The Dance of Forgiveness”

SUNDAY PROGRAM - WELCOME!

GATHERING MUSIC	Brett Carson, piano
WELCOME	Rev. Leslie Takahashi Mark David Watanabe, Board Representative
GATHERING SONG #188, “Come, Come, Whoever You Are” & #37 (<i>Las voces del camino</i>) “ <i>Ven, ven, cual eres, ven</i> ” (Lynn Ungar) <i>These words of the 13th-century Persian poet Rumi, a leader of the early Sufi movement in Islam, were set to music by the Rev. Lynn Ungar. The Spanish translation is by Ervin Barrios.</i>	
PRELUDE Prelude in E Major, Op. 28 No. 9 (Frederic Chopin)	Brett Carson, piano
LIGHTING OF THE CHALICE <i>Each week we light a chalice, which has become a symbol for Unitarian Universalists and our engagement in the world.</i>	Evan Junker
SHARE THE PLATE	Suzanne Llewellyn
TIME FOR ALL AGES “The Suitcase” (Chris Naylor-Ballesteros)	Indigo Lewis
SINGING THE CHILDREN TO CLASS <i>As you go, may joy surround you., / As you go, go in peace Know our love is with you always, / As you go, as you go.</i>	
CALL THE WORSHIP	Ron Ahnen
HYMN #1023, “Building Bridges” <i>These words were set to a Quaker tune by women who occupied England’s Greenham Common peacefully protesting nuclear weapons 1983. Singing together helped them find solidarity and a sense of common purpose.</i>	
JOYS AND SORROWS	Michael Macias, Ministerial intern
MUSIC MEDITATION #12 (<i>Las voces del camino</i>), “ <i>La tiniebla</i> ” (“Utter Darkness”) (Words: Taizé Community; Music: Jacques Berthier Berthier) <i>The Taizé Community is an ecumenical Christian monastic fraternity in Taizé, Saône-et-Loire, Burgundy, France. It is composed of more than one hundred brothers, from Catholic and Protestant traditions, who originate from about thirty countries across the world.</i>	
RITUAL OF FORGIVENESS	Ron Ahnen, SKSM Student
MUSICAL OFFERING “I Need You to Survive” (David Frazier)	House Band!
CALL FOR THE OFFERING	Neysa Matt, Board Member
OFFERTORY and RITUAL “Peace” (Horace Silver) <i>Each week during the Offertory we light two pillar candles to acknowledge that we are living in a nation at war. The candles represent our wishes for all whose lives are endangered by the conflict, and our hopes for peace. While the offering is received you are invited to come forward and select a stone to place in the column of water representing our community life, sharing it as a sign of remembrance and hope. Feel free to watch and hold your intention as your stone settles into the water’s embrace.</i>	Brett Carson, piano
DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING <i>“To the work of this community, in transforming ourselves and our world, we dedicate ourselves and our offerings.”</i>	
MESSAGE	Rev. Leslie Takahashi
CLOSING SONG #1074, “Turn the World Around” <i>Harry Belafonte said he was inspired to write this song by an African storyteller in Guinea, teaching that we can see from the origins of the world that we are all the same, so if we truly know each other we can turn the world around.</i>	
RITUAL OF RELEASE AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE	
POSTLUDE “Softly, As In a Morning Sunrise” (Sigmund Romberg/Oscar Hammerstein II)	House Band

NEXT SUNDAY: The Wisdom of Corn Fields: Reflections on Gratitude and Abundance Each year on the last weekend of Thanksgiving, we celebrate a version of the communion which is part of the Unitarian tradition. If you can help out with this ritual, please email worshiphelp@mduuc.org as we will need extra ushers for our 2021 adaptation of this celebration of community.

Please join us for our virtual coffee hour at after the service at: <https://zoom.us/j/811493869> or dial in 669 900 9128 then enter Meeting ID: 811 493 869 #

Thanks to our AV Tech staff, Colin Ketcham (who ran the presentation, video and audio clips), Liam Takahashi (video creation and editing) Annam Gunney (Sanctuary cameras), Terry Westrope (slides and captioning) and Mark Tuning (music recording, presentation creation, video and audio editing)

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House Band

Ranwa Hamammy, vocal
Andrea Quigley, vocal
Brynne Fay, vocal

Mark Tuning, vocal & keyboard
Brett Carson, piano
Bill Wentz, bass

Song Lyrics

#188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are

Come, come, whoever you are,
wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving.
Ours is no caravan of despair.
Come, yet again come.

#1023 Building Bridges

Building Bridges between our divisions,
I reach out to you, will you reach out to me?
With all of our voices and all of our visions,
friends, we could make such sweet harmony.

#12 (*Las voces del camino*) *La tiniebla*

*La tiniebla ya no es tiniebla ante ti,
la noche como el día ilumina.*

(There is no darkness in your presence.
It fills the night with the light of day.)

#1074 Turn the World Around

1. We come from the fire, living in the fire,
go back to the fire, turn the world around.

2. We come from the water, living in the water,
go back to the water, turn the world around.

3. We come from the mountain,
living on the mountain,
go back to the mountain, turn the world around.

Whoa, so is life! Ah, so is life! Whoa, so is life! Ah, so is life!

Do you know who I am? Do I know who you are? See
we one another clearly? Do we know who we are?

1. Water make the river, river wash the mountain,
Fire make the sunlight, turn the world around.

2. Heart is of the river, body is the mountain,
Spirit is the sunlight, turn the world around.

3. We are of the spirit, truly of the spirit,
Only can the spirit turn the world around!

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Please consider taking 20-30 minutes of your day to review our Living our Values web page to participate in a number of cyberactivist activities that can collectively make a difference in our local and world communities. This week we have a number of Climate Justice and Racial Justice petitions and calls to action that could really use your help!

[LIVE YOUR VALUES HERE](#)