

MT. DIABLO UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Sunday, October 10, 2021

“Beyond Our Principles”

SUNDAY PROGRAM - WELCOME!

GATHERING MUSIC

Brett Carson, piano

WELCOME

Rev. Leslie Takahashi
Andrew Oswald, Board Representative

GATHERING SONG #1030, “Siyahamba”

Born in the South African Freedom Movement during the Apartheid era, this Zulu and English song invites us to act in solidarity with all who are oppressed. Its “we” identifies the struggle as our own.

PRELUDE "Homage to Milhaud" (Lou Harrison)

Brett Carson, piano

LIGHTING OF THE CHALICE

Rose Barreto

Each week we light a chalice, which has become a symbol for Unitarian Universalists and our engagement in the world.

TIME FOR ALL AGES “Dorothea Dix Makes the Circle Wider”

Indigo Lewis

SINGING THE CHILDREN TO CLASS

*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.*

CALL THE WORSHIP

Jim Lincoln, Worship Associate

HYMN #145, “As Tranquil Streams that Meet and Merge”

(Words: Marion Franklin Ham; Music *Musicalisches Hand-buch*, 1690, adapt.)

This 1933 hymn by Marion Franklin Ham celebrates the growing closeness between Unitarians and Universalists, which led toward the 1961 consolidation of the Unitarian Universalist Association.

JOYS AND SORROWS

Rev. Leslie Takahashi

MUSIC MEDITATION #123, “Spirit of Life” (Carolyn McDade)

“Spirit of Life” was written as a prayer by Carolyn McDade, a feminist activist, songwriter, and a leader in the movement opposing U.S. policies in Central America.

TIME OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

Michael Macias

MUSICAL OFFERING “I Am Light” (India Arie)

House Band

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Linda Russell, Board Member

OFFERTORY Improvisation

Brett Carson, piano

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.

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

“To the work of this community, in transforming ourselves and our world, we dedicate ourselves and our offerings.”

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

MESSAGE

Revs. Leslie Takahashi & Rodney Lemery

CLOSING SONG “Side By Side” (Lea Morris)

Lea Morris is a renowned singer/songwriter from Baltimore, MD.

BENEDICTION AND EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE "Oleo" (Sonny Rollins)

House Band

NEXT SUNDAY: Small is Beautiful. How does a country that prides itself on big--big houses, big cars, and big spaces--adjust to a work where small may be what is needed? Join Rev, Leslie Takahashi, as she explores this topic from Peggy Kroll, the winner of the Bid4Love Name-A-Sermon-Topic item.

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

Andrea Quigley, vocal
Brynne Fay, vocal
Mark Tuning, vocal & keyboard
Daniel Zwickel ben Avram, violin

Brett Carson, piano
Bill Wentz, bass
Bill Younger, drums

Song Lyrics

Side By Side

#1030 Siyahamba

*Zulu: Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.
Siya hamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos.*

We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of, the light of God.

145 As Tranquil Streams

1 As tranquil streams that meet and merge a
nd flow as one to seek the sea,
our kindred hearts and minds unite
to build a church that shall be free--

2 Free from the bonds that bind the mind
to narrow thought and lifeless creed;
free from a social code that fails to serve
the cause of human need:

3 A freedom that reveres the past,
but trusts the dawning future more;
and bids the soul, in search of truth,
adventure boldly and explore.

4 Prophetic church, the future waits
your liberating ministry;
go forward in the power of love,
proclaim the truth that makes us free.

No one gets to heaven alone, to heaven alone, to
heaven alone

No one gets to heaven alone,
we get there side by side.

Side by side, side by side, side by side,
we get there side by side

No one heals the world on their own, the world on
their own, the world on their own
No one heals the world on their own,
we're healing side by side.

Side by side, side by side, side by side,
We're healing side by side.

No one does the work on their own, the work on
their own, the work on their own

No one does the work on their own,
we're working side by side

Side by side, side by side, side by side,
We're working side by side.

Side by side, side by side, side by side,
We're healing side by side

Side by side, side by side, side by side,
We get there side by side

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virtual and physical ways you can be a part in building a better world. If you have suggestions for items on this page, please email them to livingourvalues@mduuc.org.

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](#)