

## Welcome to the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Redwood City

If you would like more information about this liberal religious congregation, pick up our pamphlets on the literature kiosk in the foyer, check the UUFRC Facebook page ([facebook.com/uufrc](https://facebook.com/uufrc)), visit our website [RedwoodCityUU.org](http://RedwoodCityUU.org) for news and events, or request a call from our Minister.

## UUFRC Mission Statement

We are a welcoming and inclusive community of individuals of all ages who seek spiritual meaning, empower personal growth, build connections with our neighbors, act for justice, and inspire others to join us.

## Our Principles in Brief

This congregation is part of the larger Unitarian Universalist Association. Together, we covenant to affirm and promote Seven Principles:

- One. The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Two. Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;
- Three. Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth;
- Four. A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- Five. The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process;
- Six. The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Seven. Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

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# Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Redwood City

2124 Brewster Avenue, Redwood City, CA 94062

## “Flower Communion and Appreciation”

June 7, 2020



**Worship Leader:** the Rev. Dr. Gretchen Woods

**Worship Associate:** Chris DeCardy

**Special Music:** composed and performed by Wayne Burdick

**Song Leaders:** Larry Chinn, Marianna Raymond, Dawn Reyen

# “Flower Communion and Appreciation”

Sunday, June 7, 2020

## Gathering of the Community

**PRELUDE:** Larry Chinn

**SLIDE SHOW:** by Erika Pretell

**INGATHERING MUSIC:** “Sanctuary”

Led by Beverly Morgan

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Chris DeCardy

**WELCOME:** Chris DeCardy

## Stating Intent

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** by Norbert Capek, read by Gretchen Woods

**LIGHTING THE CHALICE:** from a 1941 poem by Norbert Capek

O blow ye evil winds  
into my body's fire  
my soul you'll never unravel.  
Even though disappointed a thousand times  
or fallen in the fight  
and everything would worthless seem,  
I have lived amidst eternity --  
Be grateful, my soul --  
My life was worth living.

**OPENING SONG:** “Edelweiss” by Rodgers and Hammerstein

led by Larry Chinn

## Time for All Ages

**TIME FOR ALL AGES:** Teacher Appreciation.

Offered by Derby Davidson

## Deepening

**READINGS:** “For Flower Communion Sunday” by Thomas Rhodes

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE:** “Mi Norte” music by Wayne Burdick

With slide show of John Foreman’s stone art

**HOMILY:** “Appreciation and Flower Communion”

## Returning to Community: The Work of the People”

**OFFERING AND OFFERTORY:** “Tiptoe Through the Tulips” by Al Dubin and Joe Burke

led by Marianna Raymond

**SHARING OF JOYS AND SORROWS**

**MEDITATION**

## Integration and Release

**CLOSING SONG:** #65 *The Sweet June Days*

Led by Dawn Reyen

**CLOSING WORDS:** “Fragile and Rooted” by Carolyn S. Owen-Towle

**EXTINGUISHING THE FLAME:** “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.” — Elizabeth Sëlle Jones

**POSTLUDE:** Larry Chinn

**VISITORS** are always welcome to participate in UUFRC events and activities. During this time, some are being conducted virtually. To see what is happening, please check out our Facility Calendar on our website: <https://www.uufrc.org/upcoming-events/calendar-of-events/>

For more information about this liberal religious congregation, please request a call from our Connections Coordinator, learn more at <https://www.uufrc.org/connection/visiting-us/>

**SUNDAY OFFERING:** A familiar Sunday Service is a critical part of life for many of us. We are happy you joined us. If you would like to support our programs, you can donate now! <https://www.uufrc.org/connection/donate/>

*Thank you for joining us. Please stay after the service for virtual coffee.*