

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), visit our website 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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“Change is Gonna Come”

July 26, 2020



Join worship leader Kate Hand, as well as writers from the “Finding Your Spiritual Voice” writers group, who all return to the UUFRC pulpit for the third time, this time sharing their explorations of the world that’s emerging from the tumult of these past 5 months.

Worship Leader: Kate Hand

Worship Associate: Liz Davis

Pianist: Larry Chinn

Please silence all electronic devices and join us in this moment.

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July 26, 2020

Gathering of the Community

INGATHERING MUSIC: #188 “Come, Come Whoever You Are”

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: Liz Davis

Stating Intent

LIGHTING THE CHALICE:

“MAY THIS FLAME WE LIGHT REMIND US THAT EVERY ONE OF US CAN BRING THE LIGHT OF LOVE TO THE WORLD. MAY THIS CLEAR FLAME BE A SYMBOL THAT EVERY HEART CAN BURN BRIGHT WITH JOY, PEACE, AND HARMONY. MAY THE WISDOM OF AGES SPEAK TO US THROUGH THIS FLAME AND STAY IN US. EVERY ONE OF US CAN BE A BLESSING TO THE WORLD.” -Petr Samojsky

OPENING SONG: #389 “Gathered Here”

CALL TO WORSHIP: “Hope is the Thing with Feathers” by Emily Dickinson

INTRODUCTION TO TODAY’S WORSHIP SERVICE : Kate Hand

Deepening

SONG: “Change is Gonna Come” by Sam Cooke, sung by *Shades of Yale*

REFLECTION: “Change Gonna Come” by Mary MacKay

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: Larry Chinn

Reflection: “Digging in the Wrong Place” by Liz Davis

SONG: “Blowin’ in the Wind” by Bob Dylan sung by Kate and Isaiah Hand

REFLECTION: “Give More Than You Take” by Kate Hand

Returning to Community: The Work of the People

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY: “Blackbird” by Paul McCartney, played by Larry Chinn

SHARING OF JOYS AND SORROWS

MEDITATION

REFLECTION: “Let Your Light Shine” by Elisabeth Rossi

Integration and Release

CLOSING HYMN: “This Little Light of Mine” #118 Sung by Kate, Peter, and Isaiah Hand

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*

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.