



## THIS SUNDAY

"The longer I live, the more deeply I learn that love - whether we call it friendship or family or romance - is the work of mirroring and magnifying each other's light." ~James Baldwin

The UUA's new expression of our shared values holds love in the middle. Join Deb Miller and guest Andres Tapia on Sunday to hear stories of love in action through service in the community. Hear how their work in regional social services can be reciprocally healing. Let's explore the question: what if the healers are those we are serving?

Service Leader: Deb Miller Celebrant: Chris Rader Guest Speaker: Andres Tapia

### Gathering the community

Pre-service Announcement Loop **Prelude** Welcome

**Announcements** 

Land Acknowledgement

Opening Song: "Somewhere to Begin" - by T.R. Ritchie

Opening Words: "It Is Not Always Easy to Find Love at the Center" - by Rev. Esther

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# AFFIRMING OUR CONNECTIONS

We light this chalice with an open heart;

We light this chalice with resolve.

We light this chalice with tears still fresh on our cheeks.

We light this chalice in hope, a tiny flame we nurture.

We light this chalice with reverence, for this place, for these people, for this time.

We light this chalice with all our soul's longing, to be who we are, to be who will we will become, to be ourselves.

We light this chalice in self-love, in giving love, in holy love.

### centering

#### Wisdom Reading:

Father Richard Rohr on authentic spiritual path Bobby Bridger - "Arrows of Light"

Sharing and Honoring:

Reflective Music: "I Know This Rose Will Open" - by Mary Grigolia

Silent Meditation

# SEEKING WISDOM AND INSPIRATION

Program: Weavers in Service-Voices of Community Service

Musical Response: "Whitebark" - by T.R. Ritchie

Offertory:

Congregational Singing: "I am Willing" - by Holly Near

Benediction/Prayer: "Here's to the Bridge Builders" - by L.R. Knost

**Chalice Extinguishing:** 

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 meet again

Closing Song: "Carry the Flame"

**Coffee Hour** 

### A SPECIAL "THANK YOU" BOES OUT TO:

**Date:** July 28, 2024

The Interconnected Web - Weavers In Service

Service Leader: Deb Miller Celebrant: Chris Rader **Guest Speaker:** Andres Tapia

**Greeters:** Gary Pape, Tom Rowe, LeRoy Farmer

Musicians: Lynn Madsen, Steve Clem Tech Support: Darius Severson **Zoom Host:** Owyn Barnes Coffee Host: Peggy Love

Pastoral Care: Mary Madsen

Religious Educators: Natalie Severson

### Announcements

### **Childcare Help Needed**

Because we want to serve parents with children throughout all seasons, Cascade Fellowship will continue to provide childcare on Sunday mornings through the summer.

Natalie Severson is glad to continue to provide a kind and caring presence every Sunday through July. However, starting August, she will no longer be available to help. We are looking to hire a new part-time employee to take over her responsibilities by that time. So please let Rev. Thomas know if you know of anyone we should consider.

#### Vacation and Office Closure Notice

### Office Closed Friday, August 2

Petra will be out of town and is expected to return on Tuesday, August 6.

#### Reverend Thomas Out of Town July 2 - July 29

Reverend Thomas is granted four weeks of study leave and four weeks of vacation each year. Rev. Thomas will take two weeks of each during July 2024. This means contacting him from early July 2 through the end of July 29 will be difficult. During this time, Rev. Thomas will rarely check his emails or respond to voicemails or text messages. If it is an emergency, as always, our office administrator, Petra, and Julie, the board president, should be able to reach him.

Reverend Thomas is very happy to serve this congregation and looks forward to all the exciting things we will do in August and beyond.

### **Save the Date!**

September 6, 2024

Please join the Tuesday Night Covenant Group for a campout on 09/06/2024 at the Squilchuck State Park Group Campsite. We look forward to hosting you for dinner, fun activities, and a sleepover. Please check this space, the weekly update email, and/or Facebook for more details as the time gets closer.

Please also feel free to email: sweetgirlr@gmail.com for any questions or suggestions or to RSVP.