



## June Spiritual Theme: Renewal

*All you can do for another person is be an environment in which  
if they wanted to come up for air, they could.*

~ Ram Dass

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**Sunday, June 2, 2024**

**“Honoring Our Young Ones”**

with Rev. Mary Gear and Rev. Sara Lewis

This Sunday, we dedicate a baby into the care of the congregation and recognize several of our youth as they graduate from high school, bridging from childhood to adulthood. Come join us as we honor our young ones.

**Prelude** *Troy Fisher (he/him)*

**Morning Song** *Troy Fisher*

**Hymn #1020 “Woyaya”**

Words & Music: Loughy Amoa, Solomon Smarfio,  
Robert M. Bailey, Roy Bedeau, Francis T. Osei,  
Whendell K. Richardson, & Mac Tontoh /  
Transcribed from Ysaye M. Barnwell, arr. Jeannie  
Gagne

**Welcome** *Alicia Seegers Martinelli  
(she/her)*

**Lighting the Chalice** *Alicia Seegers Martinelli*  
with the words of Douglas Taylor

**Opening Words** *Rev. Mary Gear (she/her)*

**Opening Hymn** *Troy Fisher*

**Hymn #1012 “When I Am Frightened”**

Words & Music: Shelley Jackson Denham,  
arr. by Jeannie Gagne

**Child Dedication: Jade Ann Martinez Stuwe** *Rev. Mary Gear and  
Rev. Sara Lewis (she/her)*

**Musical Interlude** *Troy Fisher*

**Share the Plate Offering** *Alicia Seegers Martinelli*

**Offertory** *Troy Fisher*

**Ritual of Sharing From the Heart** *Rev. Sara Lewis*

**Prayerful Practice** *Rev. Mary Gear*

**Musical Response** *Troy Fisher*

**Hymn #1009 “Meditation on Breathing”**

Words & Music: Sarah Dan Jones

**Reflections from Bridging Youth** *Dio Lewis (he/him),  
Sy Harrington (they/him),  
and Cassius Love (he/him)*

**Ritual of Bridging** *Rev. Sara Lewis and  
Rev. Mary Gear*

**Blessing** *Rev. Mary Gear*

with the words of Robert F Kaufmann

**Closing Hymn** *Troy Fisher*

**Hymn #118 “This Little Light of Mine”**

Words & Music: African American spiritual,  
harmony by Horace Clarence Boyer

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## Closing Words and Extinguishing the Chalice

with the words of Douglas Taylor

*Rev. Mary Gear*

## Postlude

*Troy Fisher*

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### Reflection questions:

- What words of wisdom from your life experience would you offer our young ones today?
  - Was there someone in your life who helped you become the person you are today?
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**Today's After-Service Forum (11:30 am):** Budget Expo, with the OUUC Board and Rev. Mary, to cover all the details of the proposed OUUC budget for July 2024 - June 2025. Bring your questions and concerns to this meeting so they can be addressed before the annual meeting next Sunday (June 9).

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**Next Sunday, June 9, 2024:** "Renewing Community" with Rev. Mary Gear

As we explore the monthly spiritual theme of renewal, join us as we practice the annual ritual of flower communion. In this month of LGBTQI+ Pride, we honor our diversity and renew our commitment to building an inclusive community.

**June 9 After-Service Forum: OUUC Annual Congregational Meeting at 11:45 am.**

The Board will provide finger food after the service so everyone can be fully present for the annual meeting. This is when members will be asked to vote on the budget as well as elect new Board and Leadership Development Committee members. This year, we'll also vote on proposed changes to the OUUC covenant. While only members can vote, everyone is welcome to attend the meeting. If you are not sure if you are a voting member of OUUC, please contact Rosie at [office@ouuc.org](mailto:office@ouuc.org). We hope to see you there.

**For the full agenda and more details on each topic to be addressed, go to:**

<https://www.ouuc.org/2024-congregational-meeting/>

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**Share the Plate Offering:** Our Share the Plate organization for May and June is the Crisis Clinic of Thurston & Mason Counties.

The Crisis Clinic of Thurston & Mason Counties is committed to building a community that is better prepared to understand and respond compassionately to people in crisis. Your help will support 24/7 Crisis Intervention Services, the Teen/Youth Helpline, and presentations to middle and high schools throughout Thurston and Mason Counties in Suicide Awareness and Prevention.

If you write a check, please note "pledge" if it is a pledge payment. Other donations will benefit the Share the Plate program.

- Checks can be mailed to OUUC at: 2306 East End St NW  
Olympia, WA 98502
  - Donate online at <https://onrealm.org/OUUC/give/offering>
  - Donate by text: Text "OUUC offering" to 73256 to give using your mobile device. Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.
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**The Sabbatical Committee is collecting cards to be given to Rev. Mary during a send-off ritual on June 16<sup>th</sup>.** You can write a blank card to insert into the colorful box in the Commons, or you can bring a card of your own choosing. If you prefer to mail your card, please be sure to write "ATTN: sabbatical send-off" on the envelope, to ensure your card is added to the box.

**For more info on Rev. Mary's sabbatical,** please check out the kiosk in the Commons, talk to a member of the Sabbatical Committee (look for their teal "SabComm" badges after today's service), or visit the sabbatical page on the OUUC website: <https://www.ouuc.org/sabbatical/>

**Find more details on these and other announcements in the Weekly Update:**

<https://www.ouuc.org/who-we-are/publications/weekly-update/>