



Our spiritual practice for September is **Invitation**.

“It really is about putting love into practice: if justice is what love looks like in public, then inclusion is what love looks like among groups.”

~ Matthew Johnson

Sunday, September 1, 2024

“The Strike at Lawrence Mass”

with Janet Spencer and a cast of fellow OUUC congregants

A Labor Day play, dramatized by Janet Spencer and Susan Lenoe, who drew from congressional transcripts after the momentous organizing of workers in Lawrence, Massachusetts, in 1912.

Come immerse in this scene from history.

Prelude	<i>Becky Owen (she/her)</i>
Morning Song “Bread and Roses”	<i>Congregation</i>
Words: James Oppenheim / Music: Mimi Farina	
Welcome	<i>Curt Hill (he/him)</i>
Lighting the Chalice & Sabbatical Candle	<i>Curt Hill</i>
with the words of Rev. Dr. Susan Frederick-Gray	
Opening Words	<i>Janet Spencer (she/her)</i>
Musical Interlude	<i>Becky Owen</i>

Share the Plate Offering *Curt Hill*

Offertory *Becky Owen*

Part 1, Cast of Characters:

Congressmen	<i>Janet Spencer</i>
Josephine Liss	<i>Liz Clement</i>

Musical Interlude
“Union Maid”

Words & Music: Woody Guthrie

Congregation

Part 2, Cast of Characters:

Congressmen	<i>Janet Spencer</i>
Samuel Lipson	<i>Kevin Johnson</i>

Ritual of Sharing From the Heart *Curt Hill*

Prayerful Practice *Curt Hill*

Musical Response
Hymn #401 “Come by Here”

Words: African American spiritual / Music: African American spiritual, Harmony: Carlton R. Young

Congregation

Part 3, Cast of Characters:

Congressmen	<i>Janet Spencer</i>
August Wante	<i>Gianni Ameduri</i>
Camella Teoli	<i>Melissa Denton</i>
Margaret Sanger	<i>Anne Kohlbray</i>
Bill Haywood	<i>Curt Hill</i>

Closing Hymn
“Solidarity Forever”

Words: Ralph Chaplin / Music: “John Brown’s Body”

Congregation

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Closing Words and Extinguishing the Chalice

adapted from Florence Caplow

Curt Hill

Postlude

Becky Owen

Reflection questions:

- Were you familiar with the 1912 strike in Lawrence, MA, prior to this service? What did you notice or learn today?
- History often resonates with the present. What connections can you make between this story and situations in the world today?

No After-Service Forum today, but there is a **UU the Vote postcard writing party**, in a classroom (onsite only). See Anne Hundley with any questions.

Next Sunday, September 8, 2024:

"Merging Streams, Transforming Lives: Water Communion Sunday" with Rev. Sara Lewis & Rev. Carol McKinley

We come together at OUUC next Sunday for a double celebration: to welcome new members and participate in our annual Water Communion! **All are invited to bring a small amount of water** from the places in your lives that hold special meaning, symbolizing that even as we may travel as separate streams during the summer, we unite in September as one community. Together, we begin the journey to transformation.

After the service, we encourage carpools to the Annual All OUUC Picnic at the Rose Garden shelter in Squaxin Park, noon to 2pm on Sunday Sept. 8th. Join us for fun, music, games, and sharing of potluck picnic food together! Also, a competition for the best zucchini bread! If you have questions, please contact Rev. Sara Lewis (DCFD@ouuc.org).

Share the Plate Offering: Our Share the Plate organization for September and October is All Kids Win.

All Kids Win envisions a community in which hunger never gets in the way of student success. Created in April 2006, when caring community volunteers recognized a weekend food security gap in local middle and high school students, they currently provide weekend food bags to more than 1100 students per week during the school year. This food provides a basic need to students in Thurston County.

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.

The OUUC Choir will begin rehearsing again this Wednesday, Sept. 4th at 7pm, in the OUUC sanctuary. If you are interested in singing in the choir, please join us for this first rehearsal. If you have questions, please talk to our Music Director, Troy Fisher (MusicDirector@ouuc.org).

Thursday Night Community Dinners resume this Thursday, Sept. 5th at 5:30pm, with a new offering of a monthly birthday celebration. If you have a September birthday, you are invited to come and be celebrated and sung to, and there will be cake.

Find more details on these and other announcements in the Weekly Update: <https://www.ouuc.org/who-we-are/publications/weekly-update/>

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