



Our spiritual practice for October is **Deep Listening**.

“Listening to both sides of a story will convince you that there is more to a story than both sides.” ~ Frank Tyger

Sunday, October 20, 2024

“Love Implementing the Demands of Justice”

with Rev. Mary Katherine Morn,

President of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC)

In the face of challenges and forces that undermine justice and equity, UUSC has, for more than eight decades, been resisting cynicism and refusing complacency. Through a model that embraces radical trust,

UUSC advances human rights in partnership with communities impacted by oppression. The stories of faithful imagination and always emerging learning create the journey of justice and joy that we share in our work together.

Speaker Bio: Rev. Mary Katherine Morn, President and Lead Executive Officer of UUSC since 2018, brings 30 years of faith-based leadership, fostering progressive congregations and championing economic, racial, and social justice. Her extensive work includes collaborations with interfaith and advocacy organizations on issues such as homelessness, reproductive justice, and LGBTQI+ rights. She has also held leadership roles with the UU Ministers' Association and the Unitarian Universalist Association.

Prelude *Troy Fisher (he/him)*

Morning Song *Congregation*

Hymn #368 “Now Let Us Sing”

Words & Music: Anonymous

Welcome *Curtis Tanner (he/him)*

Lighting the Chalice & Sabbatical Candle

with the words of Rev. Michael Tino

Curtis Tanner

In Memoriam: Riley McLaughlin

Rev. Sara Lewis (she/her)

Musical Interlude

Troy Fisher

Opening Words

“Finding Something to Bless” by Rev. Laura Martin

Rev. Mary Katherine Morn

(she/her)

Opening Hymn

Hymn #1018 “Come and Go with Me”

Words & Music: African-American spiritual, slavery period, arr. Kenny Smith

Congregation

Story for All

*Rev. Mary Katherine Morn
and Troy Fisher*

Musical Interlude

Troy Fisher

Share the Plate Offering

Curtis Tanner

Offertory

“Every Grain of Sand”

Words & Music: Bob Dylan

Troy Fisher

Ritual of Sharing From the Heart

Rev. Sara Lewis

Prayerful Practice

Rev. Mary Katherine Morn

Musical Response

Hymn #403 “Spirit of Truth, of Life, of Power”

Words: Horace Westwood

Music: Lowell Mason adap.

Congregation

Reading

from “Where Do We Go From Here,” a speech by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., August 16, 1967

Curtis Tanner

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Sermon

Rev. Mary Katherine Morn

Closing Hymn

Congregation

Hymn #325 “Love Makes a Bridge”

Words: Brian Wren / Music: Gerald Wheeler

Closing Words and Extinguishing the Chalice

Rev. Mary Katherine Morn

Postlude

Troy Fisher

Reflection question:

- Is there a time you've seen power and love come together to create systemic justice and compassion? What do you remember?

Today's After-Service Forum (11:30 am): Rev. Mary Katherine Morn, President of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC), will share stories from grassroots partners making real change in the world. Come to find hope, inspiration, and ways to be part of the global movement for human rights. For more info: <https://www.uusc.org/about-uusc/>

Next Sunday, October 27, 2024: “Wellsprings of Unitarian Universalism” with Rev. Monica Jacobson-Tennessen. Unitarian Universalism is a global faith, which takes different forms in different places. Our connections to our cousins in this tradition can be sources of strength for us all. Rev. Monica will reflect on her September pilgrimage to Transylvania, and on UUism in other places around the world.

October 27 After-Service Forum (11:30 am): “Everything Old is New Again” with the OUUC Board of Trustees. We'll talk about Rev. Mary's return from sabbatical, the new Board members, and how we can all seem the same but really change every day.

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

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.

This is the week of our big used book sale, Books Brownies and Beans! We are no longer accepting book donations, but we still need volunteers! Thursday, we will be setting up tables and books all through the building. Then, volunteers get to shop and have first-pick of books on Thursday evening. Friday and Saturday (Oct. 25-26) are the days of the sale. And Saturday at 4pm a crew of volunteers will clean up and restore the building ready for Sunday. Please see the BBB sign-up table in the Commons after today's service or look for the button labeled “Sign Up Genius for Volunteers” at the bottom of <https://www.ouuc.org/books>

The Sabbatical Committee reminds us that we are collecting farewell cards for Rev. Monica. Her last Sunday with us is next week, October 27. Please drop a note of appreciation or reflection in the basket in the Commons or email a message to Sabbatical@ouuc.org and these will be included. The SabComm remains available for questions, concerns or needs related to the Sabbatical through Rev. Mary's return in early November.

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