



**Sunday, May 21, 2023**

**“Community Care: Reflections from the OUUC Pastoral Care Team”**

with Rev. Mary Gear and PC Team members:

Lois Riehl, Beth Johnson, Polly Taylor, Susan Southwick Joy,  
Pam Turner, and Woody Moore

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

**Morning Song** *Troy Fisher*

**Hymn #131 “Love Will Guide Us”**

Words: Sally Rogers

Music: Traditional, arr. By Betty Wylder

**Welcome** *Janet Spencer (she/her)*

**Lighting the Chalice** *Lois Riehl (she/her)*

with words by Brené Brown

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

**Opening Hymn** *Troy Fisher*

**Hymn #1012 “When I Am Frightened”**

Words & music: Shelley Jackson Denham,  
arr. Jeannie Gagne

**Story for All** *Rev. Sara Lewis (she/her) and*

“Walking with the Wind” *Beth Johnson (she/her)*

by Karen G. Johnston

**Musical Interlude** *Troy Fisher*

**Share the Plate Offering** *Janet Spencer*

**Offertory** *OUUC Choir, with Steven Baker*

“Let The River Run”

Words & music: Carly Simon,

arr. Craig Hella Johnson

*(he/him) on drums, and Tim*

*Ransom (he/him) on shakers*

**Ritual of Sharing From the Heart** *Rev. Mary Gear*

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

**Musical Response** *Troy Fisher*

**Hymn #123 “Spirit of Life”**

Words & music: Carolyn McDade,

harmony by Grace Lewis-McLaren

**Reflections on Community Care - Part 1** *Rev. Mary Gear,*

*Polly Taylor (she/her), and*

*Susan Southwick Joy (she/her)*

**Musical Interlude** *Troy Fisher*

**Reflections on Community Care - Part 2** *Gail Gosney Wrede (she/her),*

*and Pam Turner (she/her)*

**Musical Interlude** *Troy Fisher*

**Reading** *Woody Moore (he/him)*

“Psalm 23 for This Moment”

by Rev. Kevin Tarsa

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## Closing Hymn

### Hymn #1002 "Comfort Me"

Words & music: Mimi Bornstein-Doble

*Troy Fisher*

## Extinguishing the Chalice

*Rev. Mary Gear*

## Unison Benediction

*Troy Fisher*

Words: Rev. Mary Gear / Music: Troy Fisher

May you know the Spirit in you.  
May you know the Spirit in me.  
With loving and healing, doing and being,  
May you know the Spirit in All.

## Postlude

*Troy Fisher*

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### Reflection questions:

- When have you experienced compassion, giving it or receiving it?
- How are you doing with COVID?

**For more information about how we care for each other, see the website at**  
<https://www.ouuc.org/getting-connected/getting-and-giving-help-in-a-time-of-need/>

**After-Service Forum:** Annual Congregational Meeting - 11:30 am - 1 pm (or so) onsite & online. Food will be served in the Commons after the service and before the meeting by the Stewardship Team and other volunteers. Dessert will be served after the meeting as we celebrate the years of service by Sara, Anissa, and Marie - 1-2 pm (or so) onsite only.

**Share the Plate Offering:** Our Share the Plate organization for May and June is the Arrest and Jail Alternatives Program of Catholic Community Services.

Since 2020, the Arrest and Jail Alternatives Program of Catholic Community Services has helped people with behavioral health issues and criminal justice involvement access drug treatment, temporary shelter, permanent housing, disability benefits, and a sense of basic dignity and respect that they may otherwise be denied. The services are primarily provided by Peer Case Managers who have lived experience of drug addiction, homelessness, and incarceration themselves. The majority of clients are unsheltered on the streets of Olympia, with needs for critical survival items like tents, sleeping bags, clothes, hot meals, snacks, and hygiene products.

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: 2315 Division 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. This number will never send unsolicited texts to you. To cancel further messages, text STOP. If you need assistance with text giving, text HELP. Standard text message and data rates may apply.

**Next Sunday, May 28:** "Finding Calm in the Storm" with Rev. Justin Almeida.

As we move further into the Summer season, join Rev. Almeida in exploring the spirituality of calm, rest and renewal to keep us centered amid the storms of life. No after-service event.

**For more announcements,** read the Weekly Update here:  
<https://www.ouuc.org/who-we-are/publications/weekly-update/>

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