



February Theme: Justice

“Never forget that justice is what love looks like in public.”

~ Cornel West

Sunday, February 4, 2024

“On Justice”

with Rev. Mary Gear

We explore the February spiritual theme of “Justice.” What does justice mean for Unitarian Universalists, and what’s love got to do with it?

Prelude *Stephanie Layton*

Morning Song *Stephanie Layton*

Hymn #188 “Come, Come, Whoever You Are”

Words: Adapt. from Rumi / Music: Lynn Adair Unger

Welcome *Alicia Seegers Martinelli
(she/her)*

Lighting the Chalice *Alicia Seegers Martinelli*
“Building the Justice We Long For” by Rev. Scott Taylor

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

Land Acknowledgement, created by the OUUC Right Relations Team in collaboration with the Squaxin Tribal Council and with input from members of the Nisqually and Puyallup Tribes

Opening Hymn *Stephanie Layton*

Hymn #118 “This Little Light of Mine”

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

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

“Feathers on the Wind,” a retelling of a European Jewish wisdom tale. Part of “Virtue Ethics” by Jessica York

Musical Interlude *Stephanie Layton*

Share the Plate Offering *Alicia Seegers Martinelli*

Offertory *Stephanie Layton*

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

Prayerful Practice *Rev. Mary Gear*

Musical Response *Stephanie*

Hymn #123 “Spirit of Life”

Words & Music: Carolyn McDade,
harmony by Grace Lewis-McLaren

Reading *Alicia Seegers Martinelli*

from On Repentance and Repair: Making Amends In An Unapologetic World by Rabbi Danya Ruttenberg

Part 1: Justice as Repair *Rev. Mary Gear*

Musical Interlude *Stephanie Layton*

Reading *Alicia Seegers Martinelli*

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Part 2: Justice as Connection

Rev. Mary Gear

Closing Hymn

Stephanie Layton

Hymn #155 "Circle Round for Freedom"

Words & Music: Linda Hirschhorn

Closing Words and Extinguishing the Chalice

Rev. Mary Gear

from "Meditation for Challenging Times"

by Rev. Joan Javier-Duval

Postlude

Stephanie Layton

Reflection questions:

- What does repentance mean to you?
- Have you ever experienced repentance or repair?
- Can you imagine using the process for repentance and repair outlined by the ancient philosopher Maimonides?

After-Service Forum (11:30 am today): Forum on the proposed OUUC behavioral covenant with the Rev. Mary Gear & the Healthy Congregations Team

Monthly Game Night after the Thursday dinner this week: Families, youth, and folks of all ages are invited. Bring a board game you'd like to play, if you like. Game play begins about 6:30ish, dinner is at 5:30 pm.

Workshop and concert with Emmy award-winning folk singer and guitarist Carrie Newcomer with pianist Gary Walters on Saturday, Feb. 10:

Visit <https://www.ouuc.org/carrie-newcomer/> or contact OUUC member Liz Clement for more info.

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

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

Share the Plate Offering: Our Share the Plate organization for January and February is the Medical Equipment Bank.

The mission of the Medical Equipment Bank is to receive donated medical equipment and supplies, and provide them to seniors, their families and individuals with disabilities who cannot afford to purchase on their own. The Equipment Bank provides support and equipment to individuals as they move toward building physical and mental strength, independence and overall well being so they can remain in their homes. The Medical Equipment Bank is completely supported by volunteers, donated equipment, supplies, grants and cash donations.

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.

Next Sunday, February 11, 2023: "If Not Now" with Carrie Newcomer, Gary Walters, and Rev. Mary Gear

We explore the spiritual theme of "Justice" with original music and spoken word meditation offered by the artist.

Feb. 11 After-Service Forum: Special event with our Anti-Racism Team, including a light lunch at 11:30 am for those onsite, a screening of the powerful documentary film "**Since I Been Down**" at noon (both in person and on our regular Sunday Morning Worship zoom link), and a community conversation with the film's director following the movie.

<https://www.sinceibeendown.com/>

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