



February Theme: Justice

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

Sunday, February 18, 2024

“When Justice Starts with Just Us”

with Rev. Monica Jacobson-Tennessee

What can it look like to find spiritual sustenance for our justice work in our roots? One possibility is the practice of “ancestral recovery.”

Rev. Monica will share about her experience in connecting more deeply with her ancestors’ lives to inform her justice work today.

Prelude *Troy Fisher (he/him)*

Morning Song *Troy Fisher*

Hymn #51 “Lady of the Seasons’ Laughter”

Words: Kendyl L. R. Gibbons / Music: David Hurd

Welcome *Curt Hill (he/him)*

Lighting the Chalice *Curt Hill*

with the words of Rev. Cynthia Landrum

Opening Words *Rev. Monica Jacobson-*

from Rev. Katie Romano Griffin *Tennessee (she/her)*

Opening Hymn *Troy Fisher*

Hymn #1001 “Breaths”

Words: Adapted from poem by Birago Diop

Music: Ysaye M. Barnwell

Story For All

“Hard Truths” by David Pettee, adapted by Rev. Sara

Rev. Sara Lewis

(she/her)

Musical Interlude

Troy Fisher

Share the Plate Offering

Curt Hill

Offertory

“Since I Laid My Burden Down”

Music & Text: traditional African American spiritual,
adapted/arranged by Kyle Pederson

OUUC Choir

Ritual of Sharing From the Heart

*Rev. Monica
Jacobson-Tennessee*

Prayerful Practice

*Rev. Monica
Jacobson-Tennessee*

Musical Response

“Psalm of Life”

Poetry: Mattie J. T. Stepanek

Music: Craig Hella Johnson

OUUC Choir

Reading 1

from “Embracing Rootedness and Radical Genealogy”
by Aurora Levins Morales

Curt Hill

Part 1: History Made Personal

*Rev. Monica
Jacobson-Tennessee*

Musical Interlude

Troy Fisher

Reading 2

from “Embracing Rootedness and Radical Genealogy”
by Aurora Levins Morales

Curt Hill

Part 2: Something More

*Rev. Monica
Jacobson-Tennessee*

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Closing Hymn

Troy Fisher

Hymn #16 “Tis a Gift to Be Simple”

Words: Joseph Bracket / Music: American Shaker tune

Closing Words and Extinguishing the Chalice

with the words of Adam Slate

Rev. Monica

Jacobson-Tennessee

Postlude

Troy Fisher

Reflection questions:

- Where is history personal for you, or in which parts of your heritage are you curious to learn more?
- In what ways might you transform your inheritance (as a person, as a citizen, or in any other way) into “something more”?
- When has learning history (personal or national) surprised you (or not surprised you) by clarifying the present?

After-Service Forum (11:30 am today): All Volunteer Training/Workshop on how to host Zoom meetings and reserve & use OUUC equipment (e.g., TV carts, Meeting Owl) with Rev. Sara Lewis, Dr. Teresa Madsen, and the Tech Team.

Next Sunday, February 25, 2024:

“Singing of Honor and Glory” with Phoenix bell-shelton biggs

Drawing inspiration from Revelation 5:13, where every creature in heaven and on earth proclaims praise and honor to the Lamb, and Judges 5:4-5, which speaks of the righteous singing to the Lord, this sermon invites us to explore the profound connection between worship and divine glory. In a world filled with turmoil, we'll uncover the power of song as a spiritual weapon and a path to unity. We'll delve into the eternal anthem echoing through the heavens and its relevance in our lives today.

Feb. 25 After-Service Event: Darlene's Retirement Party, including light lunch

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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.

OUUC Nature Group walk this coming Saturday (Feb. 24) at 9am: Families, kids, and folks of all ages are invited to meet at Nisqually Wildlife Refuge. RSVPs and questions go to Rev. Sara (dre@ouuc.org).

Take a Leap of Faith on Thursday, February 29 at 5:30 PM: Everyone is invited to our usual Thursday Community Dinner, this time hosted by the OUUC Board of Trustees, serving soup, salad, and homemade breads. Following the dinner, stay for a special presentation of music and storytelling about faith, risk, and OUUC. This Leap Day celebration is the official launch of the 2024-25 Stewardship Drive. Come Support All that We Love at OUUC!

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