



March Theme: Equity

“When we identify where our privilege intersects with somebody else's oppression, we'll find our opportunities to make real change.” ~ Ijeoma Oluo

Sunday, March 3, 2024
“Stories of Transformation”
with Rev. Mary Gear

The invitation to be part of a faith community is an invitation to transformation. Today, we share stories of transformation at OUUC.

Prelude *Troy Fisher (he/him)*

Morning Song *Troy Fisher*

Hymn #345 “Gather the Spirit”

Words & Music: Jim Scott

Welcome *Des McGahern (he/him)*

Lighting the Chalice *Des McGahern*

with the words of Vanessa Titang

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

“Out of the Flames” by Rev. Sara LaWall

Opening Hymn *Troy Fisher*

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

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

Stewardship Testimonial *Linda Whitcher (she/her)*

Musical Interlude

Troy Fisher

Welcoming New Members:

Maggie Smith (she/her)

John Crutcher

John Cox (he/him)

James Forest (he/him)

John E. Oliver (he/him)

Sharon Harrell

Bruce Wolfram (he/him)

Rev. Mary Gear, Rev.

Sara Lewis (she/her), &

Arlene Colerick (she/her)

Members: We receive you with open hands and hearts. As you join us, we once again renew our own commitment to membership at OUUC.

Everyone: We join together to live out our covenant and our shared vision to be a liberal religious community that helps create a loving, just, and healthy world. We are proud and happy to have you among us. Welcome!

Musical Interlude *Troy Fisher*

Share the Plate Offering *Des McGahern*

Offertory *Troy Fisher*

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

Prayerful Practice *Rev. Mary Gear*

Musical Response *Troy Fisher*

“There Is a Love”

Words: Rev. Dr. Rebecca Parker

Music: Elizabeth H. Norton

Reading *Des McGahern*

“Come Sit by Our Fire” by Jennifer Kitchen

Stories of Transformation, Part 1 *Rev. Mary Gear*

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Hearing assistance devices are available in the sanctuary at the tech desk.

Musical Interlude	<i>Troy Fisher</i>
Stories of Transformation, Part 2	<i>Rev. Mary Gear</i>
Musical Interlude	<i>Troy Fisher</i>
Stories of Transformation, Part 3	<i>Rev. Mary Gear</i>
Closing Hymn	<i>Troy Fisher</i>
Hymn #396 "I Know This Rose Will Open"	
Words & Music: Mary E. Grigolia	
Closing Words and Extinguishing the Chalice	<i>Rev. Mary Gear</i>
"Keep the Chalice Flame Burning" by Adam Slate	
Postlude	<i>Troy Fisher</i>

Reflection questions:

- Have you experienced belonging at OUUC?
 - What stories would you want to be told about OUUC?
 - What stories do you tell about OUUC?
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Today's After-Service Forum (11:30 AM): with the OUUC Board on Stewardship

Next Sunday, March 10, 2024: "Question Box Service" with Rev. Mary Gear

Back by popular demand, Rev. Mary explores your questions and wonderings. Please send your spiritual questions to Rev. Mary at minister@ouuc.org

Mar. 10 After-Service Forum: Faith in Action Forum on Transgender Welcome and Inclusion

Share the Plate Offering: Our Share the Plate organization for March and April is the Hawk Foundation.

The Hawk Foundation for Research and Education in African Culture dedicates itself to the promotion of education, holistic health and trauma healing in the African American community, with recognition that when one is healed it touches those around them. The Hawk provides African and African American music and history education for their various Thurston County School partners. Also, they provide evidence based African drum facilitation with juvenile detention centers.

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.
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Thank you to all who participated in the Stewardship Launch on Thursday. If you missed the after-dinner stories and music, you can find the recording on the OUUC YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@olyuuc>

The Stewardship Drive is off to a great start with 41 pledgers committing to \$171,544. To make your pledge, visit the Stewardship table in the Commons after the service or visit the website: <https://www.ouuc.org/giving/pledging/>

All parents and active caregivers are invited to the Parent Group's monthly meeting, this coming Thursday (3/7) at 6:30pm, both in person and on Zoom (contact Rev. Sara at dre@ouuc.org for the link). The group meets for mutual support, community, and to discuss a topic of concern to parents each month. This month's topic is gender and parenting.

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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