Connections: The Global Future of Faith
Order of Service February 20, 2010

Singing Bowl

Announcements Rev. Leland Bond-Upson

Singing Bowl

Gathering Music - A Choral Call *The Oneness of Everything* -- Jim Scott Music Ensemble

Welcome and Spirit of Aloha Lee

Hymn #1040 *Hush* All

Chalice Lighting In Unison, led by The Rev. Dr. John Buehrens

Mindful of truth ever exceeding our knowledge,
Of love and community ever exceeding our practice,
Reverently we covenant together,
Beginning with ourselves as we are,
To share the strength of integrity and the heritage of the spirit,
In humanity's unending quest for reality, justice, and love

Opening Words John

Hymn # 1031 *Filled with Loving Kindness* All

Candles of Joy and Concern Lee

Responsive Reading #568 *Connections Are Made Slowly* John/All

Story for All Ages *adapted from Elisa D. Pearmain* John

Singing Our Children to Their Program *On Your Way*

Go with wisdom, Go with wonder, Go to meet a brand new day.
Learn to see the light within you, As we send you on your way --Jaie Ariana Livingston

Reading From *The Future of Faith* –Harvey Cox John

Hymn # #389 *Gathered Here* All

Offertory *Nada Te Turbe* Music Ensemble

Dedication All

We dedicate our offerings and ourselves to bringing about a loving community, inspiring spiritual growth, and living lives of integrity, joy, and service. These are the works of the church, which we gladly support from our own abundance.

Sermon *Connections: the Global Future of Faith* John

Hymn (see insert) *Wake Now, My Senses* All

Extinguishing the Chalice All

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth,
the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment.
These we carry in our hearts until we are together again. --Elizabeth Selle Jones

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Closing Words/Benediction John

Song of Peace #388 *Dona Nobis Pacem* All

Please gather in the Gallery on the Pali for Coffee & Refreshments!

THIS MORNING IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

10:10 Three 'n' Under child care for children is available in Room #5, with Phyllis Keohohou and volunteer helpers.

10:15 Four and five year-olds attend the first part of the service with their parents, and then join Sylvia Himeda for their class, making friends, and learning more about Unitarian Universalism.

Children in Elementary School and Middle School attend the first part of the Sunday service with their parents. Then we proceed to Room #1 for the RE Opening, and the morning's Religious Education program. This morning we will be learning more about the SIXTH UU Principle [indigo]: 'We insist on peace, freedom and justice for all'. Unitarian Universalists covenant to affirm and promote THE GOAL OF WORLD COMMUNITY WITH PEACE, LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. Mike Mottl and Steve Lohse are our Religious Education teachers this morning, Oowith a gift of music with Ka'imi Nicholson.

There is no meeting for the Youth Group this morning. Senior High OWL continues this evening.

Lauhala Weaving with Mary Gaber, ONE MORE Tuesdays, February 22, 2 - 3 p.m. at the church. Check out the bulletin board for photos and examples of our weaving!

Last Sunday, February 13, we completed the Stop Bullying! Class with Susan Chang. Thanks to everyone who participated, and special thanks to Susan for arranging this class for us.

NEXT CHURCH SERVICE

10:15 am February 27, 2011 ***CIRCLE OF LIFE:*** A Look at End of Life Issues

Kristin Bryant will speak on End of Life Issues. She asks that we think about how we want to be treated at the end of our lives (which could be any time), and consider who we want to carry out those wishes on our behalf. She is an attorney with the University of Hawaii Elder Law Project and will help provide assistance with Advance Health Care Directives after the service.

The subject of death is complex and we need to live in a way that prepares us for the end of life. Decision-making can be a spiritual practice. We need to consider our responsibility to our children/spouse/life partner by being clear about our desires as to how we wish to be treated. Let us do the spiritual work of caring for ourselves and for our families before a crisis, which is a bad time to make big decisions! This isn't just for the elderly since Life has many surprises and young people can also become incapacitated. The rights of people who live together and are life partners will also be addressed.

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A Unitarian Universalist Welcoming Congregation

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS*!*

One becomes a member by completing an orientation, signing the Register of Members, and making a financial contribution. If you would like to discuss becoming a member, please speak to our Minister.

THIS IS A FREE RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY. Our services regularly draw on the language, symbols, and practices of a diversity of heritages; all of which may have something to teach us, but none of which we consider final or authoritative. You are asked to accept—and indeed live by—only that which does, in fact, persuade you. Your participation is welcomed in the expectation that your point of view may add richly to that diversity.

We need not think alike to love alike. –Ferenc Dávid (c.1510-1579)

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST PRINCIPLES

We covenant to affirm and promote

The inherent worth and dignity of every person;

Justice, equity, and compassion in human relations;

Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;

A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;

The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;

The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;

Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Music Ensemble

Karen Valasek – Music Director & Song Leader
Dennis Graue – Piano
Julian Showkeir – Cornet
Laura Helliwell – Flute
Pierre Kleiber – Guitar
Ian Valasek – Bass & Sound Engineer

At Your Service

Virginia Fine and Charlotte Huszcza – Greeters
Martina Queenth – Decorator
Jim Lomont – Parking
Beverly Lahr and Bob Fraser – Coffee

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