

Decorah Unitarian Universalist

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Welcome and Announcements

Today's service relates to all of our principles, as we celebrate Founders' Day

Opening Words

Chalice Lighting Today, we gather in peace, in thanks, in sympathy, in hope, compassion, and strength. We light this chalice to celebrate more than 18 years of bringing our separate fires to kindle one flame.

Opening Song # 347 Gather the Spirit

Land Acknowledgement

Joys and Sorrows In Memorium: We begin our Joys and Sorrows time with a remembrance of members who no longer walk with us in body: **Darrel Hoff, Al Bergan, Laura Beard, Janet Lambert, Sue Peterson, Sara Corbin, Mona Quinn, Brenda Darling, and Jim McIntosh.** We honor the many contributions they made in creating and sustaining our Fellowship. Blessed be their Memories!


You are invited to share your joys and concerns as you light a votive candle

Joys and Sorrows You may light a votive candle as you share any joys or concerns with the fellowship.

Silent Meditation / Response

Your Joy Is My Joy

Ellen Rockne



Your joy is my joy, your sor-row my sor-row. To -
geth - er we live our days. To - geth - er we love this place. In be -
lov - ed com - mu - ni - ty, we are not a - lone.

Offering / Response #128 For all that is our life...

Dancing with Dreaming

Sue Otte

Closing Song # 311 Let It Be a Dance

Extinguishing the Chalice This flame has been lit hundreds of times since our Fellowship began in the early days of 2003. May we keep it alive in our own hearts and everywhere we go in the world, spreading the good news of justice, love and peace. **Blessed be that light!**

And now let the dance/celebration continue, as we enjoy some special treats in honor of Otter and Founders' Day.

Announcements

Share-the-Plate - Our plate recipient for January - February is the [Senior Citizens Hospitality Center](#) which is undertaking a remodeling project. To donate to the plate recipient, you can Give Online. Or, if sending a check, please note "Share the Plate" in the memo line. Donations may be mailed to Decorah UU, PO Box 382, Decorah, IA 52101.

Decorah UU Giving - We deeply appreciate the gracious gifts of our members and friends, whether given on a weekly, monthly, or annual basis. **Donations can also be mailed to PO Box 382, Decorah, IA 52101.**

Winter Book Read [My Grandmother's Hands](#) by Resmaa Menakem. Members of Decorah UU will facilitate small group book discussions starting this January. We will meet 5 times from **January 23, 5-6pm - March 20**. To join, contact Carolyn at decorahuu.contact@gmail.com

Decorah UU Annual auction is coming up! Brainstorm with other UUs to offer an experience others will enjoy. Submit on the jotform emailed out or contact Julie O. littleredkayak@gmail.com

Upcoming Sundays

January 22 - Healing racialized embodied trauma. A facilitated, nurturing discussion on themes from the book, *Our Grandmother's Hands* by Resmaa Menackem

January 29 - Decorah UU Annual Auction (find a form email to you from Decorah UU or contact Julie Ohde littleredkayak@gmail.com)

February 18 - Decorah UU votes to adopt the 8th Principle.

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Founders' Day

with Sue Otte

