

Decorah Unitarian Universalist

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Welcome and Announcements

Today's service relates to the proposed 8th UU principle:

Journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.

Chalice Lighting read by Bronze Quinton

As we light this flame of hope,
May our congregation become a kaleidoscope
Of souls and people.

An abstract flame-like pattern, in bright gold colors, and a black background.

In the presence of this flame,
In me, in you, in us,
is an invitation to sit at the table.

May we tend our Soul Fire
Through these challenging and trying times
To open the hearts and minds
Of all who enter our doors— anastasia birosh

Opening Song "This Little Light of Mine" #118

Land Acknowledgement read by Carol Hagen

Opening Words by Karen Esterl

Reading read by Lalie Madriguera
Reflections on phrases from the proposed 8th principle (from multiple sources)

Video

"Conversations with Satya Mamdani: The Eighth Principle Project," featuring Paula Cole Jones

Joys and Sorrows

Silent Meditation/Sung 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.

Reading read by Carolyn Corbin "Black Lives of UU Organizing Collective Urges Adoption of 8th Principle in Unitarian Universalism" (excerpts)

Offering/Offertory

#128 "For All That Is Our Life" (offertory)

Readings from the Common Bowl

Video

"Youth Value the 8th Principle"

Reading read by Sue Otte

"The Article II Study Commission and the 8th Principle"

Closing Song

"Glory, Glory, Hallelujah" #201

Extinguishing the Chalice read by Beth Wahlberg

We are the ones we have been waiting for.*

We are not perfect, but we are perfectly fitted for this day.

We are not without fault,

but we can be honest to face our past as we chart a new future.

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May we be bold and courageous to chart that new future

May we have faith in a future that is not known

We are the ones we have been waiting for.*—The Rev. Kimberly Quinn

Johnson (asterisked lines are quoted from June Jordan in "Poem for South African Women," which she presented at the U.N. on August 9, 1978)

Thank you to member Karen Esterl for leading today's service.

Announcements

UU Auction items - send description of your auction items to Julie Ohde, littleredkayak@gmail.com

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.**

If you would like to include items in the printed Sunday bulletin or the online UU newsletter, send to decorahuu.contact@gmail.com.

Upcoming UU Services:

January 15 - Let it Be a Dance: A Founders' Day Celebration and celebration with Otter Dreaming

January 22 - Healing racialized embodied trauma. A review/discussion of *Our Grandmother's Hands* by Resmaa Menackem

January 29 - Decorah UU Annual Auction

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Sunday, January 8, 2023

Considering the 8th on the 8th

with Karen Esterl