### **Decorah Unitarian Universalist**

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#### **Welcome and Announcements**

### <u>Today's service relates to</u> the 2<sup>nd</sup> UU source

Words and deeds of prophetic people which challenge us to confront powers and structures of evil with justice, compassion, and the transforming power of love

### **Chalice Lighting**

Inside this clay jug there are canyons and pine mountains, and the maker of canyons and pine mountains.

All seven oceans are inside, and hundreds of millions of stars. And the music from the strings no one touches, and the source of all water.

If you want the truth, I will tell you the truth:

Friend, listen: the God whom I love is inside. -- Kabir

### **Land Acknowledgement**

Opening Song #188 "Come, come, whoever you are"

<u>Joys and Sorrows</u> <u>Silent Meditation</u> Prayer/Response



### **Readings from the Common Bowl**

### **Offering**

### **Offertory**

For all that is our life, we sing our thanks and praise; for all life is a gift that we are called to use to build the common good, and make our own days glad.

# When Islamophilia Becomes Islamophobia: The Case of Hamline University,

with Dr. Robert Shedinger

Closing Song #180 "Ahamdulillah"

### **Extinguishing the Chalice**

For extinguishing chalice:

I call that church free which enters into covenant with the ultimate source of existence.

It binds together families and generations, protecting against the idolatry of any human claim to absolute truth or authority. It is open to insight and conscience from every source; it bursts through rigid tradition, giving rise to new and living language, to new and broader fellowship.

The goal is the prophethood and priesthood of all believers, the one for the liberty of prophesying, the other for the ministry of healing.

-- James Luther Adams

About our Speaker: Robert Shedinger has been teaching religion at Luther College since 2000 after earning his Ph.D. in Religious Studies from Temple University in Philadelphia. He teaches courses primarily in the areas of biblical studies, Islamic studies, and science and religion. His research interests revolve around the

question, "What is religion?" His books include Was Jesus a Muslim? Questioning Categories in the Study of Religion; Radically Open: Transcending Religious Identity in an Age of Anxiety; and Jesus and Jihad: Reclaiming the Prophetic Heart of Christianity and Islam.

## **Decorah UU Business Meeting**

1. Action: Shall the fellowship adopt the proposed 8th Principle?

## **Upcoming Sundays**

February 26 - Fannie Lou Hamer, "A Voice of Resistance" a discussion service, followed by coffee/social

March 5\* - "The Spiritual Practice of Hospitality" with Eric, Min San Thu, from Myanmar, recent Luther College graduate, returning speaker to Decorah UU. Min San Thu will reflect on the spiritual practice of hospitality in his Buddhist faith. followed by coffee/social. \*Special 'Bring a friend to UU' service\*

### **Announcements**

Climate Justice Course (free) - Recommended by Carolyn From Iowa UU Witness and Advocacy 1:30-3:00 Feb 19, March 5. See This Week email for links, more info.

Dance for Racial Justice - dancing optional Wednesday, February 22, 6 - 8p Lingonberry (space provided by Decorah UU, event hosted by Collective Action for Racial Equity)

**Share-the-Plate -** Our plate recipient for January-February is <u>Senior Citizens Hospitality Center</u> which is undertaking a remodeling project. To donate to the recipient, simply designate so on your check or offering envelope. Loose cash in the offering plate goes to Decorah UU.

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Sunday, February 19, 2023

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Decorah UU Votes on the 8th Principle