



Sunday, July 15, 2018

The Choir Invisible

A CENTERING THOUGHT:

“When family gathers around for a dying loved one, I have realised, that it probably does more good for the living, than for the dying. Sometimes, death can bring the living together, and death can cause the living to find solace in one another. In this way, death is a part of life, and those who die can in fact give gifts to the living, gifts that they were not able to give while they were still alive and well.”

— C. Joybell C.

GATHERING MUSIC

The Preacher

Horace Silver

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jen Hayashi, Board of Trustees

SOUNDING THE BELL

The Reverend Anthony Jenkins

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN #347

Gather The Spirit

CHALICE LIGHTING

TIME FOR ALL AGES

Kelli Danaker, Religious Education Assistant

SINGING OUR CHILDREN TO CLASS

Natalie Sleeth

*Go now in peace, go now in peace;
May the love of God surround you,
everywhere, everywhere, you may go.*

(Please remember to pick up your children at 10 minutes after the hour.)

AMPLIFICATION DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH HEARING IMPAIRMENT.

Two types are available. One works with a hearing aid; the other works on its own. Please see an usher if you would like to use one of the units. **LARGE PRINT** copies of the Order of Service are also available. Please see an usher if you would like a copy.

SHARING OUR JOYS AND SORROWS

HYMN OF RESPONSE #123 *Spirit of Life*

REFLECTION *Justice*

OFFERING OF GIFTS & MUSIC *Work Song* Nat Adderley

Give by Text at 410-709-3554:
Simply text the donation amount – including dollar sign (\$)

REFLECTION *Peace*

SPECIAL MUSIC *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*
(Traditional African-American gospel hymn)

REFLECTION *Liberty*

HYMN #95 *There Is More Love Somewhere*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & SILENT MEDITATION

MUSIC MEDITATION *What a Wonderful World* Bob Thiele

RESPONSIVE READING #719 *Those Who Live Again*

BENEDICTION The Reverend Anthony Jenkins

BENEDICTION RESPONSE *When the Saints Go Marching In*
(Traditional Hymn/March/Celebration)

MUSIC NOTES: The music today, drawn mainly from African-American sources, speaks to the heart our 6th UU principle (The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all) - lifting up the communal experience of death as a facilitator of each of the principle's elements. In the spirit of the New Orleans funeral-music tradition, the morning's selections deal with death as a convener of community (Gather the Spirit, Just a Closer Walk, When the Saints Go Marching In), an inspiration to justice work (Work Song, The Preacher), a portal for individual liberty (There is More Love Somewhere, Spirit of Life), and an usher into peace (What a Wonderful World).

Special thanks to all who helped with today's services, especially . . .

Music	The UUCC Chalice Messengers: Tom Benjamin - clarinet, saxophone, piano; Ken Koontz - bass; Arielle Miller - drums; Tom Monroe - saxophone; John Shea - saxophone; Jim Stivers - guitar; April Lee - vocals
Audio	Dale Neiburg
Set-Up & Flowers	Margaret Gesell
Greeters	Laurie Coltri
Ushers	Herb Hartnett, Norm Hazzard, Stuart TenHoor
Snacks	Anne-Margaret Olsson, Hope Vasholz
Coffee	Anne-Margaret Olsson
Take Down & Clean Up	Stephanie Lyon

REMEMBER: *Special* pulpit announcement requests should be emailed to **Maureen Harris**, Executive Director at **executivedirector@uucolumbia.net** by **10am the Wednesday before each service.**

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

Service is at 10:00 am

July 22 – The Road Less Traveled: In the spirit of our 4th UU principle (A free and responsible search for truth and meaning), **The Rev. Anthony Jenkins** will lead us in a meditation service – inviting us more deeply into our own inner journeys through spoken word, silence, and song.

THE WEEK AHEAD:

July 15	Sun	Hands on Sunday Begins! 10:00 am 11:00 am 11:30 am 12:15 pm 3:00 pm	Worship Service, RE Classes & Nursery Care Coffee Hour Get Connected Class Arts Collective Meeting NAMI Sunday Supper
July 17	Tue	11:30 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Deep Listening Meditation Group Film ForUUM: True Confessions (1981) Meditation Group Food Insecurity Meeting Auction Team Meeting
July 18	Wed	10:00 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	TOPS Meeting Family Support Group Mid-Week Martial Arts PFLAG Trans Support Group
July 19	Thur	12:00 pm 1:00 pm	Elders' Luncheon Seasoned Souls Group Meeting
July 20	Fri	4:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Stop Family Separation Demonstration Martial Arts Turning Circle
July 21	Sat	8:00 am	Saturday Morning Reflections (Recovery Group)
July 22	Sun	10:00 am 11:00 am 3:30 pm	Worship Service, RE Classes & Nursery Care Coffee Hour PFLAG Tween Meeting

For more details regarding UUC, please visit the following:

- For edited streaming-audio recordings of our sermons and downloadable PDFs of the order of service: <https://uucolumbia.net/sermon-archive/>
- The Week Ahead: <https://uucolumbia.net/the-week-ahead-at-uucc/>
- Upcoming Events: <https://uucolumbia.net/upcoming-events/>
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