



Sunday, September 8, 2019  
9:00 and 11:00 am

## Water Communion

### A CENTERING THOUGHT:

*All that we have ever loved  
And all that we have ever been  
Stands with us on the brink  
Of all that we aspire to create:  
A deeper peace,  
A larger love,  
A more embracing hope,  
A deeper joy in this life we share.*

— Leslie Takahashi

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tim Lattimer, Board of Trustees

### SOUNDING THE BELL

The Rev. Paige Getty

### INTROIT

*Welcome, Welcome!*

Clif Hardin

### CALL TO WORSHIP & CHALICE LIGHTING

The Brown Family

### GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

### HYMN #396

*I Know This Rose Will Open*

I know this rose will open.  
I know my fear will burn away.  
I know my soul will unfurl its wings.  
I know this rose will open.

### SECOND SUNDAY OUTREACH OFFERING: I Support the Girls

Penny Flecker

### OFFERING OF GIFTS & MUSIC

*Shenandoah*

Trad. Folk Tune, arr. Jarrett

\* Text **CHALICE** to **73256** to contribute to UUCC via text messaging. \*

### SHARING JOYS & SORROWS

### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & SILENT MEDITATION

### MUSIC MEDITATION

*Peace Like a River*

Traditional, arr. Keveren

During the music meditation, your joys & sorrows may be honored by coming forward silently and placing a pebble in the communal bowl on the chancel table.

**STORY – Part 1** *A Sufi Tale* Braidon McLaughlin, Kristin Parrish, & Robin Slaw

**HYMN #1064** *Blue Boat Home*

**STORY – Part 2**

**ANTHEM** *River in Judea* Marcus / Feldman, arr. Leavitt

**WATER COMMUNION**

I am grateful for \_\_\_[source of your water]\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_.

**BLESSING THE WATERS WITH OUR WORDS**

**DRE:** In our story, the stream is told, "The real you, the real heart of you, the essence of everything you truly are, will be born again on the other side to flow a new course, to be a river that you can't even imagine from where you are standing now."

**ALL:** **May our gratitude for all that life has given us grow in our hearts until we flow with joy, hope, and courage, just as the stream is born again into an unimaginable river.**

**RAINSTORM** Ashley Brizzo

**BENEDICTION** Robin Slaw, Director of Religious Education

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE** Gaelic rune / Benjamin

*Deep peace of the running wave to you,  
Deep peace of the flowing air to you,  
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you,  
Deep peace of the shining stars to you,  
Deep peace of love to you. Blessed Be.*

**Music Notes:** Today, in what has become somewhat of an annual Ingathering tradition, the choir offers Clif Hardin's (Music Minister at River Road UU Congregation) lively *Welcome*, *Welcome* as the morning's Introit. In a nod to both Water Communion and the September Soul Matters theme of Expectation, the Anthem is a Gospel swing-style waltz, *River in Judea*. In this piece, the River is a metaphor for both life and the expectation/dreaming of music, meeting by the "flowing and singing river that my soul cries out to know".

**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.

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

<b>Music</b>	The Chalice Choir – Michael Adcock, director
<b>Audio</b>	Tim Estell
<b>Set up &amp; Flowers</b>	Suzanne Henig
<b>Ushers</b>	Les Gesell, Margaret Gesell, Heather Dorst (9 am) Roger McIntire, Ann Seed, John Seed (11 am)
<b>Snacks</b>	Diane Page, Aimee Olivera-Sanchez, Suzanne Henig (9 am) Norma Byers (11 am)
<b>Take Down</b>	Herb Hartnett

## Announcements

**In-Gathering Pot Luck TODAY:** All are invited to join us after today's second service. Please bring a favorite dish to share. There will also be a few fun activities for adults and for children, but it is mostly a time to mix and mingle and reconnect with friends or meet new ones. Child care available. We encourage you to engage someone new in conversation during coffee hour or the potluck. You'll find conversation cards at your tables!

**UCC youth** in grades 10-12 are invited to attend a kick-off gathering **next Sunday, September 15** in the teen lounge (room 180) from 5-7pm. Bring your ideas and thoughts on what YOU want YRUU to be for you this year!

Looking for old and new singers for **Chalice Lights** between the ages of 6-14! Starting Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, we meet on Sundays between services from 10 - 10:50 in the Music room downstairs. We perform monthly during services. Join us!

**Sat., September 21, at 7 pm: One World Coffeehouse** hosts **Marc Black** who was inducted into the Blues Hall of Fame in June of 2014. If you like the blues, you won't want to miss his concert! Ross Martin will sell advanced tickets at coffee hour Sunday Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Are your children and youth registered for religious education (RE) classes?**

<http://tinyurl.com/UUCC-register>

**For more details regarding UCC, 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/>
- Latest News: <https://uucolumbia.net/category/the-link/>
- Contact our Staff: <https://uucolumbia.net/staff/>
- Get Involved: <https://uucolumbia.net/get-involved/>
- Karuna Pastoral Care: <https://uucolumbia.net/programs/pastoral-care/>

## THE WEEK AHEAD:

<b>Sept 8</b>	<b>Sun</b>	9:00 am	Worship Service & Nursery Care
		10:00 am	Coffee Hour
		11:00 am	Worship Service & Nursery Care
		12:00 pm	Ingathering Potluck
		4:00 pm	Black Lives Matter Vigil
		5:15 pm	Deconstructing Whiteness Book Club
<b>Sept 9</b>	<b>Mon</b>	1:00 pm	UU Senior Support Group
<b>Sept 10</b>	<b>Tue</b>	2:00 pm	Day Time Adult Games Group
		7:00 pm	Meditation Group
		7:00 pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
<b>Sept 11</b>	<b>Wed</b>	7:00 pm	Mid-Week Martial Arts
		7:00 pm	UU Senior Singles Support Group
<b>Sept 12</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	7:00 pm	Chalice Choir Rehearsal
<b>Sept 13</b>	<b>Fri</b>	7:00 pm	Friday Martial Arts
<b>Sept 14</b>	<b>Sat</b>	11:00 am	Creativity Circle
<b>Sept 15</b>	<b>Sun</b>	9:00 am	Worship Service, RE Classes, & Nursery Care
		10:00 am	Coffee Hour
		11:00 am	Worship Service, RE Classes, & Nursery Care
		12:30 pm	Get Connected Class

### Upcoming Worship Service

#### Sun., September 15th, at 9 & 11 am

Rev. Paige Getty will explore what it means to be a learning community. We will offer a charge and blessing to this year's teachers in our religious education program, and our children will begin their new classes.

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