

## **FUUSM Zoom Meetings in June 2020**

3 Ways to access Sunday Services: Facebook Live, YouTube & Zoom.

### **Sunday Services - NEW LINK**

**All June Sunday Services** 11AM Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94822183499?pwd=ZVhkMHZWSnR1bTI5czZWRk1zdFFmQT09>

**Meeting ID: 948 2218 3499**

**Password: fuusm2323**

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Different Password: 772050

Sun. June 7, 2020 **FUUSM Flower Communion** (11am)



You are invited to have a flower handy for a chance to see our smiling faces with flowers on Zoom.

The second prop you will want to have handy is a piece of paper with a one word gift that you bring to the work of our congregational life.

(example)

“I bring . . .

**creativity**

(Rev. Kat)

Thank-you for the many flower photos- if they were not included in this rough draft, the slideshow can be improved in the future as it is a work in progress- like all of us and our community.

-Dax Chisholm

## **THIS SUNDAY June 7**

The FUUSM Zoom Meeting Room will close at 11:50am so Rev. Hawbaker and others can support the Gathering in the Park.

**12 Noon@ Gazebo in E. Muskingum Park.**



## **Peaceful Silent Demonstration in Marietta, OH on Facebook.**

It's time to listen, empathize, and raise awareness.

Signs are welcome, but no hate speech or hatefulness of any kind.

Our communities are coming together to demonstrate caring and concern for racial justice.

***Be ours a religion which, like sunshine, goes everywhere;  
Its temple, all space; Its shrine, the good heart;  
Its creed, all truth; its ritual, works of love;  
Its profession of faith, divine living.*** – Theodore Parker (1810-1860)

# Order of Service - Flower Communion

June 7, 2020

Rev. Kathryn E. Hawbaker

## WELCOME

Welcome Song            by Hal Walker

Whoever you are, **we welcome you,**  
Wherever you come from, we welcome you,  
Whomever you love, we welcome you.

(improv.)  
(we hear your words)  
(we join with you)  
(we . . .)



Sunflowers from Chris Hoke -Rising Moon Farm

**Prelude** *Flower, Fruit, and Thorn Pieces Op.82* - Stephen Heller  
*No.11 - Resignation    No.6 - Seriosa    No.13 - Consolation*

Randall Kidder, Pianist



## **Chalice Lighting**

*Our living tradition, the silver communion set, once held in a museum.*

*People held in bondage, held in poverty, held in contempt...*

*Let us use our hands to raise up those whose stories are not told, or heard, or understood.*

*Flowers by Chris Hoke - Rising Moon Farm*

## **Opening Song #402      *From You I Recieve***

Singing the Living Tradition

From you I receive, to you I give

Together we share and from this we live.

Invocation:      *I am Opening*



# Origins of the Flower Communion

Dr. Norbert Fabian Capek, Unitarian Minister (June 3, 1870 - October 12, 1942)

The Flower Ceremony, { Flower Communion or Flower Festival },



is an annual ritual that celebrates beauty, human uniqueness, diversity, and community.

The Unitarian Universalist Flower Communion service originated in 1923 by Dr. Norbert Capek [pronounced Chah-Peck], founder of the modern Unitarian movement in Czechoslovakia.

On the last Sunday before the summer recess of the Unitarian church in Prague, all the children and adults participated in this colorful ritual, which gives concrete expression to the humanity-affirming principles of our liberal faith.

When the Nazis took control of Prague in 1940, they found Dr. Capek's gospel of the inherent worth and beauty of every human person to be-as Nazi court records show-- "**...too dangerous to the Reich [for him] to be allowed to live.**"

Dr. Capek was sent to Dachau, where he was killed the next year during a Nazi "medical experiment."

This gentle man suffered a cruel death, but his message of human hope and decency lives on through his Flower Communion -widely celebrated today.

## **Hymn #404**

## *What Gift Do You Bring?*

Singing the Living Tradition

(Prepare to hold up your flower. You can add your gift to the Chat in Zoom, or write out your gift on a piece of paper or card.)

What gift can we bring, what present, what token?

What words can convey it, the joy of this day? When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing, what song can we offer in honor and praise?

Give thanks for the past, for those who had vision,  
who planted and watered so dreams could come true.

Give thanks for the now, for study, for worship,  
for mission that bids us turn prayer into deed.

## Closing Words

*Long-Haul People* by Patricia Infante

## Closing Song #318

*Would Be One*

Singing the Living Tradition UUMusic Ministries

We would be one as now we join in singing our hymn of love,  
to pledge ourselves anew to that high cause of greater understanding  
of who we are, and what in us is true.

We would be one in living for each other to show to all a new community.

We would be one in building for tomorrow a nobler world than we have  
known today. We would be one in searching for that meaning  
which binds our hearts and points us on our way. As one, we pledge  
ourselves to greater service, with love and justice, strive to make us free.



Flower Communion & FUUSM Photo

## **Closing Words** by Patricia Infante, Central East Region Staff - UUA

What does it mean to be a long-haul people, a people of resilience? It means that we continue to bring families together, find safe spaces for our youth and the vulnerable among us, and share joy and beauty in the bleakest of days. It can mean that we hold our community together and minister to those who need us; but it also means we are willing to let go of things that no longer make sense or no longer serve the community and our mission.

When the fear recedes and the way forward becomes clearer, our congregations will have an opportunity to reimagine what church is, who is included (and excluded) in our community, and how we live our principles and values in a world that has shifted under our feet. Long-haul people can do that. They've done it before and they'll do it as many times and for as long as needed because they know somewhere deep in their soul that even though things may look and sound different, the church – their church – will always be here. For the long haul.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Updates will be shared in the Weekly Update through FUUSM-L.  
This is our primary form of communication and announcements.

The Safety Team is examining the guidelines and guidance for re-opening in a safe and careful manner. We have some advantages in our courtyard and spacious sanctuary, but we will continue to offer online resources to give people options.

***Cakes for the Queen of Heaven*** (Zoom Meeting) Mon. June 8 & 15 6:30-8pm

<https://zoom.us/j/9062049940?pwd=TEtGeE90WtJeHB0UmJsRElhTEJVdz09>

*(Same as Meditation) Meeting ID: 906 204 9940*

*Password: OMWed12*

**Meditation Wed. 12-1pm** (Zoom Meeting)

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Join us **Monday June 8th**, two weeks after George Floyd's death, for a **Day of Fasting and Focus** which will culminate at 5:00pm when we are asking people to *stop where you are* for 8 minutes and 46 seconds in silence in honor of the time George Floyd had the literal knee of the state on his neck.

Whether in your homes, at work or in the streets, we are calling for people of conscience to stop wherever they are to join us for a live-streamed moment of silence, litany and a message of support for the uprisings across the country and a call for organizing a movement in this moment from Bishop William J. Barber, II, co-chair of the Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival. Tune in at [fb.com/aneppc](https://fb.com/aneppc).

As part of this National Day of Fasting and Focus we will be holding a **We Won't Be Silent Virtual Art Build at 12 pm EST/ 9am PST** to be together and heal together through art-making, share messages of justice and get prepared for the day of action. [Register here.](#)

George Floyd died from the knee on his neck, we still do not have justice for Breonna Taylor or the thousands and millions of others who have been killed from systemic racism, police violence, mass incarceration, health inequity and poverty. This is the time to make economic and structural demands on our government to end the multiple pandemics of systemic racism and poverty, and to end the militarized force that is used against people who just want to breathe. Forward together, not one step back!  
Rev. Dr. William J. Barber, II and Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis  
**Co-Chairs, Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival**

P.S.: Please also join us on **Sunday June 7th** at 10 am EST for a **National Interfaith Service** to recognize the more than 100,000 Americans who have died from COVID-19, especially poor and low-income workers. The service will be co-led by Revs. Barber and Theoharis and Rabbi Jonah Pesner, Imam Omar Suleiman and Valerie Kaur. Tune in at [FB.com/ANewPPC](https://FB.com/ANewPPC)

No great task is ever accomplished alone.  
It's going to take all of us to move  
our world, and our faith, forward  
in the ways of truth,  
compassion,  
and justice.

—UUA President  
Susan Frederick-Gray,  
*UU World*



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Anyone may register. FUUSM selected Mike Bailey & Michelle Wilson as our delegates,  
and Rev. Hawbaker is a delegate as our minister.