

Dedication for the Rainbow Flag

We dedicate this flag [as a symbol of] our commitment to affirm and celebrate loving relationships in all of their forms and gender identities in their many expressions. May this flag inspire us to live with pride, to embrace our truths, and to unite in the face of adversity. May it remind us to work towards a world where love knows no bounds. —Michelle Collins

Welcome Song “Whoever You Are, We Welcome You” Hal Walker

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

Welcome/ Honoring Indigenous People Martha McGovern, worship leader
Acknowledging Native Lands

Prelude “When Our heart Is In a Holy Place” music and words: Joyce Poley
#1008 in *Singing the Journey* Randall Kidder, pianist

Chalice Lighting “Created in the Image of Love” Karishma Gottfried

*Please rise in body or spirit.

***Responsive Reading #442 “We Bid You Welcome”** Richard S. Gilbert

We bid you welcome, who come with weary spirit seeking rest.
Who come with troubles that are too much with you, who come hurt and afraid.
We bid you welcome, who come with hope in your heart.
Who come with anticipation in your step, who come proud and joyous.
We bid you welcome, who are seekers of a new faith.
Who come to probe and explore, who come to learn.
We bid you welcome, who enter this hall as a homecoming.
Who have found here room for your spirit, who find in this people a family.
Whoever you are, whatever you are, wherever you are on your journey,
We bid you welcome.

***Opening Hymn** “Let’s Do It” (see insert or screen) Cole Porter

Time for All Ages *Rainbow: A First Book of Pride* by Michael Genhart

Sending Song “Go Now in Peace” Natalie Sleeth

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

Collection of Offerings

Offertory “How Could Anyone?” Music and words: Libby Roderick
#1045 in *Singing the Journey*

Reflection *Let’s Do It (or maybe not)* Richard Thieret, guest speaker
Richard is a lifelong Unitarian, member of the UU Fellowship of Athens, and a retired biology teacher.

***Closing Hymn** “We Are a Gentle Angry People” (verses 1,2,5,6)
#170 in *Singing the Living Tradition* words and music: Holly Near

Closing Words

Postlude “There Is a Balm in Gilead” African-American spiritual, slavery period
#1045 in *Singing the Journey*

Announcements

(Facebook Live ends)

Joys and Sorrows/Wheel of Life (Zoom participants are invited to share, too.)

Extinguishing the Chalice / Benediction

Welcome! We’re glad you’re here!

Thanks to our childcare staff, **Owen Cejka, Lela Erb, Deborah Lauer, and Levi Weppler**; to our pianist, **Randall Kidder**; to our tech crew, **Mike Bailey, Ralph Olander, and Meabh (Maeve) Daly**; to our Coffee Hour volunteers and Decor & Decoration team; to today’s host, **Elaine Barr** and greeter, **Jonathan Brier**; to our worship leader, **Martha McGovern**; and to our guest speaker **Richard Thieret**.

If you would like to learn more about membership or participation in FUUSM congregational life, please speak to today's host.

Sunday, June 2, 2024

Announcements

Today

- **Coffee hour!** Social hall. **George and Gwen Banziger** and **Betsy Kalter**, at your service! Ends by 1:15!
- 12:15 p.m., **Committee on Ministries**, RE parlor.
- 1:30–3:30 p.m., **Randi Pokladnik, PhD**, on **Carbon Capture**, presented by Green Sanctuary Committee, social hall. Please come!

Monday, June 3

- 2 p.m., **Caring Committee** via Zoom.

Tuesday, June 4

- 3:30–6:30 p.m., Girl Scouts meet in social hall.
- 7–9 p.m., **The Work that Reconnects**, Hilary Krivchenia, social hall, sponsored by the Green Sanctuary Committee.

Wednesday, June 5

- Noon, **Meditation** via Zoom.
- 5 p.m., **Worship & Music Committee meeting**, RE parlor.
- 7 p.m., Private use of social hall (Diana Bonnell's Religious Trauma group).

Saturday, June 8

- 3–5 p.m., African drumming, social hall or courtyard.

Sunday, June 9

- 11 a.m., **Sunday service**, sanctuary: **On Resilience**, **Jay Warmke**, guest speaker.
- 11 a.m., MOV Quakers, RE parlor.
- **Coffee hour!**
- 12:15-whenever, **UUA Article 2 forum**, social hall.
- 1:30-3 p.m., Kitchen reserved for **service auction class** (Stassa Phillips).

FUUSM Office hours: Mon., Tu., Th., Fri. 10 a.m.–2 p.m. (740) 373-1238, fuusm.office@gmail.com. Rev. Hawbaker is on sabbatical through March 2024.

Let's Do It (or maybe not)

Richard Thieret, guest speaker



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