Soul Matters Monthly Theme: What does it mean to be a Community of Vulnerability?

It may be that when we no longer know what to do/we have come to our real work, and that when we no longer know which way to go/we have come to our real journey. The mind that is not baffled is not employed./The impeded stream is the one that sings.

—Wendell Berry (b. 1934), a White American novelist, poet, essayist, environmental activist, cultural critic, and farmer

Order of Service for March 19, 2023: Leaping into the Unknown, Again

Rev. Rita Capezzi, Preaching

Susan Stevens Chambers, Worship Associate

Nancy Cramblit, Pianist

Director of Children's Faith Development Macy Forsyth, Storyteller

Jeff Lowry and Kat Clements, Tech Squad

Denny Cramblit, Hearing Assist

Keri Johnson, Nursery

XX, Children's Chapel

XX, Youth Group

Connie & Jim Rovney, Hospitality

Announcements Slideshow To "Comfort" (2004) by Deb Talan (b. 1968), a White American singer-songwriter https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TolHm9GLL4k

Greetings from the Whole Congregation (everyone on Zoom is invited to unmute)

Let's all make a joyful noise!

Welcome and Announcements

Bell Chime

Chalice Lighting: For those attending by Zoom, please type into the Chat that a chalice is lit on [your street]:

We are a welcoming people of diverse beliefs who commit to nourish the spirit, broaden the mind, nurture the earth, and build community. May this flame we kindle remind us to strive, today and every day, to love beyond belief.

Hymn: #121 "We'll Build a Land" (gray hymnal), words by Barbara Zanotti and music by Carolyn McDade https://farfringe.com/stlt121-well-build-a-land/

Reading: "Heart Break" by David Whyte (b. 1955), an Anglo-Irish poet

https://www.themarginalian.org/2015/04/29/david-whyte-consolations-words/

Story: When Aidan Became a Brother (2019), written by Kyle Lukoff (b. 1984), a Jewish children's book author, school librarian, and former bookseller who is also trans, and illustrated by Kaylani Juanita, a mixed-race and Queer illustrator. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p55jbk3D8bA

Sending the Young Ones to Faith Development Activities

Prayer/Meditation: A Prayer of Risk by the Rev. Tamara Lebak, affiliate minister at the First Unitarian

Church of Oklahoma City https://www.uua.org/worship/words/prayer/prayer-risk

Sorrows and Joys

Singing Prayer: To the tune of **#1002** (teal hymnal) by Mimi Borstein *Comfort me, share my joy/ Comfort me, Oh my soul. (2x)*

Giving/Offertory: "Gavotte II (Musette)" from English Suite No. 3, BWV 808

by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Sermon

Hymn: #168 "One More Step" (gray hymnal), words and music by Joyce Poley https://farfringe.com/stlt168-one-more-step/

Chalice Extinguishing

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Singing Benediction: "Longtime Sun," the final three minutes of "A Very Cellular Song" written by Mike Heron and performed by The Incredible String Band on their 1968 album *The Hangman's Beautiful Daughter*.

May the long time sun shine upon you/All love surround you And the pure, pure light that's within you/ Guide your way home (2x)

In-person: Hospitality in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level. Article II Proposed Changes with Rev. Rita in the Meeting Room 11:45-1:15.

On Zoom: A time to meet, talk, and connect.