April Touchstones Theme: Generosity

Attention is the rarest and purest form of generosity.

—Simone Weil

Announcements

Humanist Potluck and Discussion

The group will meet on Sunday, April 21st from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. Last month's discussion will continue since many people did not get a chance to talk. (Also, we are open to ideas for May's meeting.)

The topic is: "What were the transformative things in your life that changed your life trajectory?"

Come prepared for a lively discussion. Dinner at 5:00 pm, discussion starts at 6:00 pm. Please bring a dish to share and a friend.

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Welcome to Our Fellowship!



Auburn Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Sunday, April 21, 2024, 10:00 am

"Guns and Rhetoric"

Our Team This Week:

The Program: Dr. Lydia Wilkes
Service Associate: Carol Carruth
Technology: Darrell Crutchley
Music: AUUF Saints & Singers

Greeters: Shawn Jacobsen Carter deShazo **Playground:** Jim Newton Chris Basgier

Our Mission Statement

Auburn Unitarian Universalist Fellowship is a welcoming and caring community dedicated to challenging the mind, nurturing the spirit, and transforming the world through the pursuit of truth, love, and justice

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Peace in 12 Languages **AUUF Saints & Singers** Prelude

Carol Carruth **Opening Words**

Chalice Lighting Carol Carruth

Ralph Banks

Opening Hymn For What It's Worth Congregation

By Buffalo Springfield

Joys and Concerns Congregation

Music by Andrew DeVelshchow

Offertory Sound of Silence **AUUF Saints & Singers**

by Paul Simon

Welcome

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Canvass Moment Zach Morgan

Moment for All Ages Carol Carruth

Dr. Lydia Wilkes **Program** Guns and Rhetoric

Closing Hymn Brother, Brother Congregation

By Marvin Gaye

Congregation Closing Words (in unison)

A Prayer for Hard Times

Congregation **Announcements**

Extinguishing the Chalice (in unison) Congregation

Words by Elizabeth Selle Jones

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.

Sung Benediction

Go forth into the world in peace, in peace Be of good courage, hold fast that which is good Go forth into the world in peace, in peace Love all people Rejoicing in the power of the spirit Go in peace.

> A Prayer for Hard Times By Christian Schmidt

Spirit of Life and Love,

Be with us in this time, as people suffer, as parents grieve, as violence rages. Be with us who feel the pain of loss, who feel anger at injustice.

Be with the oppressed and change the heart of the oppressor, for we know that both are joined in their humanity, no matter how often we forget it.

Help us remember the hope we had, the hope we have, and the hope we will have; help us remember joy in the midst of sadness, success in the midst of challenge, and good things in the midst of bad.

Help us to be better people, to work for better things, and to create a better world. Amen

Many thanks to our Greeters, Angels, and Playground Volunteers

For this week's events go to: auuf.org/calendar

Watch AUUF Services Online: auuf.org/watch

Next Sunday at AUUF:

Sunday, April 28, 10:00 am

Flower Communion