



"What we need now is to generate hope and to recognize that the agents of history are not so much the leaders and the spokespeople but rather the masses of people who develop a collective imagination regarding the possibility of a new future." — Angela Davis

## ORDER OF SERVICE

May 23, 2021

10:30 a.m.

### GATHERING

**Centering Music**

Eric Lane Barnes

**Announcements**

Nicole Duff

**Ringling of the Bell**

\* **Hymn #1001**

*Breaths*

*Refrain:*

Listen more often to things than to beings,  
listen more often to things than to beings,  
'tis the Ancestor's breath when the fire's voice is heard,  
'tis the Ancestor's breath in the voice of the waters.

Zah Whsshh Aahh Whsshh

Those who have died have never, never left.

The dead are not under the earth.

They are in the rustling trees,  
they are in the groaning woods,  
they are in the crying grass,  
they are in the moaning rocks.

The dead are not under the earth.

*Refrain*

Those who have died have never, never left.

The dead have a pact with the living.

They are in the woman's breast,  
they are in the wailing child,  
they are with us in our homes,  
they are with us in this crowd.

The dead have a pact with the living.

*Refrain*

**Welcome**

Rev. Jennifer DeBusk Alviar

**Musical Selection**

*Liberty Song*

Khari Wendell McClelland

### CENTERING

**Reading**

*I Look at the World*

Ron Douglas

Langston Hughes

*Please join in this chalice lighting with a chalice or candle lighting at home.*

\* *Please mute your microphone and sing along*

## Chalice Lighting & Response

We light this chalice to remind ourselves to treat all people kindly  
because they are our siblings in spirit;  
To take good care of the earth because it is our home;  
And to try to live lives filled with goodness and love  
because that is how we will become the best people we can be.

## AFFIRMING COMMUNITY

### Story for All Ages

*We Are*  
Ysaÿe Barnwell

### East Shore Unitarian Church Covenant

Love is the doctrine of this church.  
The quest for truth is its sacrament, and service is its prayer.  
To dwell together in peace, to seek knowledge in freedom,  
To serve humanity in fellowship, thus do we covenant.

### The 8th Principle: Accountably

Laurie Wick

### Pastoral Prayer/Joys & Sorrows

*Please send any joys and sorrows via chat or say aloud*

## INTROSPECTION

### Meditation

Rev. Alviar

## EXPLORATION

### Reading

*Psalm 98*

### Musical Selection:

*Song of the Agitator*  
Khari Wendell McClelland

### Homily

*Our Chains Fell Off*

Khari Wendell McClelland

## RETURNING TO THE SERVICE OF LIFE

### Gifts of the Congregation

*Text ESUC \$20 (or any dollar amount) to 73256 to give to ESUC using your text messaging. Standard text message rates do apply. You can also use [esuc.org/give](https://esuc.org/give) or mail in a check to ESUC any time!*

### \* Sung Benediction #1010

*We Give Thanks*

Oh, we give thanks for this precious day,  
For all gather'd here, and those far away;  
For this time we share with love and care,  
Oh, we give thanks for this precious day.

### Closing Words & Extinguishing the Chalice

### Postlude

*Feels Real Good*  
Khari Wendell McClelland

<https://khariwendellmcclelland.bandcamp.com/track/feels-real-good>

*Please stay in this Zoom Room for Virtual Coffee Hour!*



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Budget Town Hall: Today, 11:30 a.m.**—Come learn about the proposed 2021-22 Operating Budget. Members of the Budget Team, Finance Team, and Financial Stewardship Committee will be attending to help answer your questions. Stay in the worship room or join via Zoom: 989 3107 9078, Passcode: chalice.

**Black Lives Matter Flash Stance in Kirkland: Today, 12:30 p.m.**—Join fellow UU activists for our Black Lives Matter Flash Stance in person in Kirkland at the NW corner of Peter Kirk Park next to the transit center. Please wear masks and social distance.

**Meaningful Movie Bellevue: *Orchestrating Change*: Tuesday, May 25, 7:00 p.m.**—The award-winning PBS documentary, *Orchestrating Change* highlights the world's only classical orchestra created by and for people living with mental illness. This family-friendly Meaningful Movies Bellevue film is free to all viewers.

**Fourth Wednesday Book Club: *A Woman of No Importance*: Wednesday, May 26, 7:30 p.m.**—Please join us to discuss *A Woman of No Importance: The Untold Story of the American Spy Who Helped Win World War II* by Sonia Purnell. In 1942, the Gestapo sent out an urgent transmission: “She is the most dangerous of all Allied spies. We must find and destroy her.”

**ECAM: The New Climate War: Thursday, May 27, 5:00 p.m.**—Would you like to learn more about climate politics and reality? Come join a group to discuss the book, “The New Climate War: The Fight to Take Back our Planet” by Michael Mann, distinguished professor of atmospheric science at Penn State. Hosted by The Earth & Climate Action Ministry and Citizens Climate Lobby/Bellevue. Join us via Zoom: 820 4869 6212, Passcode: 461156.

**Summer RE: May 30-September 5**—We have lots of great events, there will be something for your age! Where and when and how do you want to plug in? Learn more about our programs and sign up for special events at [esuc.org](http://esuc.org).

**TSG Partner Church Material Meeting: Wednesday, June 2, 3:30 p.m.**—Please join us outside, at East Shore, next to the Sanctuary, or virtually for a look at some of what we’ve collected over the years from our church partner in Torockószentgyörgy. We’ll have conversation about the items and images we have and make some decisions about what we want to keep, what we’ll let go of, and how to preserve or display it at East Shore. If you’ve pilgrimed there or participated in past partnership events, please join us. Join Zoom Meeting 841 1102 8677, Passcode: chalice

**"8th Principle and Building the Beloved Community" Watch Party: Thursday, June 3, 7:00 p.m.**—Did you miss the May 16th service where Paula Cole Jones and Rev. Stephen Furrer spoke on the 8th Principle, a proposed addition to Unitarian Universalism’s seven faith principles. We will offer a watch party of the service so you can hear a bit of history, context, and why we should covenant to build the Beloved Community free from racism and oppression. Join us via Zoom 830 6292 7396, Passcode: 355233

## WEEKLY EVENTS

**Daily Check-In: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m.:** Members are hosting a check-in every weekday (M-F) 9:00-9:30 a.m. All are welcome! Connect with community; share joys, concerns, and more. Zoom Meeting 569 071 839, passcode: chalice.

**Parent & Caregiver Meetup: Mondays at 8:15 p.m.:** Join a loving and restorative 45 minute call hosted by parent and congregant Leta Hamilton. Each week features a different theme. Sign up at [esuc.org](http://esuc.org).

**Virtual Choir: Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.:** The East Shore Mighty Choir is meeting virtually. We do vocal warmups, sing through current music and learn new pieces. Anyone is welcome! Zoom 897 5868 1236. Passcode: choir.

**Middle School Youth Group: Fridays at 5:00 p.m.:** Tune in for fun and friendship. We're using short skits, cooking, games, and conversation to get to know each other and create our virtual community. Sign up at [esuc.org](http://esuc.org)

**Men's Breakfast Group: 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.:** Relax to reconnect and enjoy each others' company. Our goal is good conversation, sharing and camaraderie. To connect, email lay leader Tom Ball or call 206-232-8720.

**Family Covenant Circle: Every Other Sunday at 12:30 p.m.:** The ESUC Family Covenant Circle is a group of East Shore families with children 0-18 where the adults share and support one another in the journey that is family life! Families of every stage and configuration are welcome. To connect, email lay leader Martin Cox.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OUR DUWAMISH NEIGHBORS:** We acknowledge this land is the traditional territory of the Duwamish People. In this acknowledgement, we recognize their heritage is imbued in the mountains, valleys, waterways, and shorelines that surround us all. May we nurture our relationship with our Coast Salish neighbors, especially the Duwamish people and our shared responsibilities to this place of their homelands.



East Shore Unitarian Church is proud to publicly support the Black Lives Matter movement. This stance is in alignment with the values of our faith and is also endorsed by the UUA. More information can be found at [www.uua.org/statements/support-black-lives-matter-movement](http://www.uua.org/statements/support-black-lives-matter-movement).