



To be yourself is truly a revolutionary act, and I think more and more people should try it, because it's gotten me a pretty cool life.

- Lena Waithe

ORDER OF SERVICE

June 27, 2021

10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

Centering Music

Prelude

LGBT Flag at Russian Embassy

Eric Lane Barnes

Announcements

Nicole Duff

Welcome

Ring of the Bell

Ron Douglas

CENTERING

Reading

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

Chalice Lighting & Response

LeAnne Struble

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

*** Hymn #1014**

Answering the Call of Love

The promise of the Spirit:
faith, hope and love abide.
And so ev'ry soul
is blessed and made whole;
the truth in our hearts is our guide.

Chorus:

We are answering the call of love:
hands joined together as hearts beat as one.
Emboldened by faith, we dare to proclaim
we are answering the call of love.

Sometimes we build a barrier
to keep love tightly bound.
Corrupted by fear,
unwilling to hear,
denying the beauty we've found.

Chorus

A bright new day is dawning
when love will not divide.
Reflections of grace
in ev'ry embrace,
fulfilling the vision divine.

Chorus

** Please mute your microphone and sing along*

AFFIRMING COMMUNITY

Story for All Ages

My Princess Boy
Cheryl Kilodavis

Pastoral Prayer/Joys & Sorrows

Ron Douglas, Eric Lane Barnes & LeAnne Struble
Please send any joys and sorrows via chat or say aloud

INTROSPECTION

Meditation

Musical Celebration

True Colors
Cyndi Lauper

Ron Douglas

EXPLORATION

LGBTQ Experiences Around the World

Eric Lane Barnes, Ron Douglas, Oscar Hoyo,
Swapnesh Dubey, Iris Wang, & Julien Massillon

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 or mail in a check to ESUC any time!

* Sung Benediction #170

We Are a Gentle, Angry People

We are a gentle, angry people,
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a gentle, angry people,
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a justice-seeking people
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a justice-seeking people
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are all generations together
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are all generations together
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are all genders together
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are all genders together
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a gentle, loving people
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a gentle, loving people
and we are singing, singing for our lives.

Rainbow Benediction Responsive Reading

Ron Douglas & Eric Lane Barnes

In the face of hate,
We answer the call of love.
In the face of exclusion,
We answer the call of inclusion.
In the face of homophobia,
We answer the call of LGBTQ rights.
In the face of racism,
We answer of justice for all races.
In the face of xenophobia,
We answer the call of pluralism.
In the face of misogyny,
We answer the call of women's rights.
In the face of demagoguery,
We answer the call of reason.
In the face of religious intolerance,
We answer the call of diversity.
In the face of narrow nationalism,
We answer the call of global community.
In the face of bigotry,
We answer the call of open-mindedness.
In the face of despair,
We answer the call of hope.

Extinguishing the Chalice

Postlude

Tell Me A Story
Skylar Kergil

Puget Soundworks

Please stay in this Zoom Room for Virtual Coffee Hour!



NEWS FROM EAST SHORE

Pledge Updates: Thank you to the nearly 200 members and friends who committed their support to East Shore in this coming year. We are excited to announce we reached our initial goal of \$600,000. We are still hoping to increase our drive. If you haven't pledged, now is the time! For those of you who give via credit card, you may soon receive a notification of your pledge being updated. If you have any questions contact Nicole.

Last Chance to Pay Your 2020-2021 Pledge: If you still have a balance on your pledge for the 2020-2021 year, please pay that today. We hope to wrap up the year and close the books in early July. If you are unsure if you have a balance, please check your Realm profile or reach out to Nicole Duff.

Fund-A-Need Update: Our Covid-19 Fund-a-Need Auction Food Relief project is drawing to a close. There will be a summary in the next Beacon. We have helped out so many people in need. Read up on everything at esuc.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today's Black Lives Matter Flash Stance in Kirkland has been canceled due to the excessive heat.

Pay It No Mind: The Life and Times of Marsha P. Johnson: Sunday, June 27, 4:00-5:45 p.m.—Join us as we present "Pay It No Mind - The Life and Times of Marsha P. Johnson." This event is offered by the ESUC Welcoming Congregations Renewal Team as part of our Welcoming Religious Education Program. Marsha P. Johnson was an American gay liberation activist and self-identified drag queen. This film is an intimate examination of Marsha's life based on an extensive 1992 video interview with Marsha and subsequent interviews with many of the people who knew her during those tumultuous times. We will begin a "watch party" at 4:00pm, and then we'll hold a talk back session over zoom at 5:00pm where we will consider a number of questions and discuss our thoughts and reactions to the film. Links for both on esuc.org.

Red Road to DC Totem Pole Journey comes to East Shore: Sunday, July 11, 3:00-5:00 p.m.—Join us to honor the Totem Pole Journey initiated by the Lummi House of Tears Carvers. East Shore will welcome the Totem Pole Journey to our site. Please come and bless the Totem Pole with your friends and family. Listen to, learn from and speak with the Totem Pole Journey team as they set out for their national tour. This is an event for the whole family! All masking and distancing requirements at that time will be expected. For more information, please contact Marilyn Mayers or Lynn Roesch.

Kirstie's Back Porch: Sunday, July 11, 5:00-7:00 p.m.—Please pack your favorite sack dinner (beverages provided) and come smell the roses (just as sweet in July) from Kirstie Lewis' back porch for an evening of COVID-safe (please have completed your vaccinations!) socializing and planning activities for our ensuing year. This event is open to all those who identify as women, AND seating is limited to keep everyone safe. Please RSVP at esuc.org.

Widening the Circle of Concern: Governance, Innovation & Risk-taking: Tuesday, July 13 or Thursday, August 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m.—In what ways does systemic racism and white supremacy culture apply to Unitarian Universalism? This workshop will cover Governance and Innovations & Risk-taking, 2 of the 10 topics in the Report. The report explains the necessity for congregations, and the UUA, to deepen our engagement in the work of anti-racism. First, we have to take it in. There will be time for journaling and then, optionally, sharing your reaction. Register at esuc.org. Questions to grace.colton@gmail.com. July 13, Maximum 10 attendees; 7:00-8:30 p.m. OR August 5, Unlimited attendees; 7:00-8:30 p.m. August 5 session has an hour video to watch beforehand.

WEEKLY EVENTS

Summer RE: May 30-September 5: We're on summer break for RE, so be sure to check out our digital Story for All Ages archives and stop by one of our field trips or campus picnics! Keep tuning in to worship to enjoy online services as a family! We've got a couple campus garden parties and picnics.

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 the ESUC community; share joys, concerns, and more. Zoom Meeting 569 071 839, passcode: chalice.

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.

