



"A preacher is in some degree a reproduction of the truth in personal form. The truth must exist in her as a living experience, a glowing enthusiasm, an intense reality. If one may say so, she digests the truth and makes it personal, and then brings her own being to bear upon that of her hearers. All true preaching bears the impress of the nature of the preacher." --adapted from Henry Ward Beecher (1873) Congregational clergyman, social reformer, abolitionist, and lecturer (1813-1887)

ORDER OF SERVICE

June 13, 2021

10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

Centering Music

Eric Lane Barnes

Announcements

Nicole Duff

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Stephen H. Furrer

* **Hymn #347**

Gather the Spirit

Gather the spirit, harvest the power.
Our sep'rate fires will kindle one flame.
Witness the mystery of this hour.
Our trials in this light appear all the same.

(Chorus)

Gather in peace, gather in thanks.
Gather in sympathy now and then.
Gather in hope, compassion and strength.
Gather to celebrate once again.

Gather the spirit of heart and mind.
Seeds for the sowing are laid in store.
Nurtured in love, and conscience refined,
with body and spirit united once more.

(Chorus)

Gather the spirit growing in all,
drawn by the moon and fed by the sun.
Winter to spring, and summer to fall,
the chorus of life resounding as one.

(Chorus)

CENTERING

Reading

Ken Patton

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

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.

* *Please mute your microphone and sing along*

AFFIRMING COMMUNITY

Story for All Ages

Where We Come From

Understanding the 8th Principle: Ourselves and Our Institutions

Leta Hamilton

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.

Birthday Celebration

East Shore Mighty (Virtual) Choir

Pastoral Prayer/Joys & Sorrows

Please send any joys and sorrows via chat or say aloud

INTROSPECTION

Meditation

Musical Celebration

Beautiful City

by Stephen Schwartz

EXPLORATION

Reading

Wikipedia: Casualties From the Wars of Religion

* Hymn #298

Wake Now My Senses

Wake, now, my senses, and hear the earth call;

feel the deep power of being in all;

keep, with the web of creation your vow,

giving, receiving as love shows us how.

Wake, now, my reason, reach out to the new;

join with each pilgrim who quests for the true;

honor the beauty and wisdom of time;

suffer thy limit, and praise the sublime.

Wake, now, compassion, give heed to the cry;

voices of suffering fill the wide sky;

take as your neighbor both stranger and friend,

praying and striving their hardship to end.

Wake, now, my conscience, with justice thy guide;

join with all people whose rights are denied;

take not for granted a privileged place;

God's love embraces the whole human race.

Wake, now, my vision of ministry clear;

brighten my pathway with radiance here;

mingle my calling with all who will share;

work toward a planet transformed by our care.

Sermon

By What Authority?

Rev. Furrer

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 Affirmation

From all that dwell below the skies
Let songs of hope and faith arise
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah
Let peace, good will on earth be sung
from every land, by every tongue
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.

Closing Words & Extinguishing the Chalice

Postlude

Together in This
Jonas Myrin & Natasha Bedingfield

Please stay in this Zoom Room for Virtual Coffee Hour!



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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Meeting: Today, 11:45 a.m.—The 2021 Congregational Annual Meeting for Members will take place this Sunday following worship and a 15 minute break. If you are a member of ESUC and have not received your official announcement, please contact Nicole Duff.

Black Lives Matter Flash Stance in Issaquah: Today, 12:30 p.m.—Join fellow UU activists for our Black Lives Matter Flash Stance in person on at the corner of SE 56th Street and Eastlake Sammamish Parkway SE by the McDonalds. We gather in solidarity with Black, Brown, and Indigenous People of Color. Flash Stances start conversations, and then carry those conversations on. We will be social distancing and ask that everyone wear a mask. All are welcome-join us in this important work! Learn more about Flash Stances here on KBCS.

Summer RE: May 30-September 5—We've got of couple campus garden parties and picnics, some online movie or game nights, virtual UU summer camps, and two awesome neighborhood field trips. We're also going to choose a couple of books we can read as our East Shore Kids Common Read. There will be something for your age, and all your other UU friends will be reading it, too! Where and when and how do you want to plug in? Learn more about our programs and sign up at esuc.org

Book Discussion: How to Avoid A Climate Disaster: Thursday, June 24, 5:00 p.m.—Join the Earth & Climate Action Ministry and Citizens Climate Lobby/Bellevue to discuss and learn more about Bill Gates latest book "How To Avoid Climate Disaster: The Solutions We Have and the Breakthroughs We Need". "In this urgent, authoritative book, Bill Gates sets out a wide-ranging, practical-- and accessible—plan for how the world can get to zero greenhouse gas emissions in time to avoid a climate catastrophe." We'll invite some guests who can speak to possible solutions and offer hope! Let's learn how we can fight on behalf of the planet! Come share your thoughts with us! Join us via Zoom: 820 4869 6212, Passcode: 461156

Resilience in The Face of Change: Saturday, June 19, 10:00 a.m.—Change is happening all around us, all of the time whether we recognize it or not. How resilient are you when faced with the challenges change brings? For some, the prospect of changing the way we think or act is frightening, it may cause denial or blaming. We live with constant changes in the political scene, environmental assaults, the growing evidence of racial inequities, varying beliefs in what is the truth, and more. And we at East Shore are also dealing with change. How do you handle and respond in an ever-changing world? Are you open to it, do you despair or get angry? Is it easier to just let go, or should we hold on to what has worked for us in the past? Share your perspectives and truths at the Third Saturday Morning Community Circle. You may be changed by what you hear.

Join the East Shore community every 3rd Saturday morning as we explore a variety of issues, joys and concerns. Join Zoom Meeting: 816 8030 9830, Passcode: 626689

Fourth Wednesday Book Club: On Tyranny: Wednesday, June 23, 7:30 p.m.—The Founding Fathers tried to protect us from the threat they knew, the tyranny that overcame ancient democracy. Today, our political order faces new threats, not unlike the totalitarianism of the twentieth century. We are no wiser than the Europeans who saw democracy yield to fascism, Nazism, or communism. Our one advantage is that we might learn from their experience. On Tyranny is a call to arms and a guide to resistance, with invaluable ideas for how we can preserve our freedoms in the uncertain years to come. To virtually attend, please Zoom in using room number: 827 7839 5004, Passcode: 750453

UUA General Assembly: June 23-27—We hope that you will consider attending the national conference of Unitarian Universalists-the 2021 Virtual UUA General Assembly! As part of East Shore's connection to our larger faith community, you can attend from home from June 23-27, online! The short list of worships and workshops below are just a handful of the fabulous 100+ live webinars and on-demand programs that GA registrants will have access to. One of the best parts about virtual GA - if you miss a live webinar or have trouble choosing between options, you'll be able to catch up later on-demand! Register and learn more at uua.org/ga.

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 the East Shore community; share joys, concerns, and more. Zoom Meeting 569 071 839.

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.

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.