

EAST SHORE UNITARIAN CHURCH

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“Reproductive Justice: How Does Our UU Faith Guide Us?”

August 14, 2022



*“Danger of Nostalgia in
Wallpaper Form (in utero)”*
by Holly Ballard Martz, 2020

***We practice love, explore spirituality,
build community, and promote justice.***

Welcome to East Shore Unitarian Church

We extend a special welcome to all who are here for the first time. We are glad you are here and hope your morning will provide you with a greater sense of connection with yourself, with the people around you, and with the world and spirit outside these walls. After today's service, please join us outside for coffee, tea, and conversation.

If you didn't stop by before service, please stop by the visitors desk in the foyer. There you can learn more about the church, and fill out a visitor form. During the week, we will contact you to see if you have any more questions, and help you navigate through all of our amazing programs and groups.

Large-print hymnals and a braille hymnal are available in the foyer from the ushers. Our hearing assistance devices use T-Coil loop technology. Hearing assistance devices are also available in the back of the Sanctuary or from the ushers.

Gender Affirming Restrooms are located in each building. A private restroom is located in the Administration Building. Diaper changing stations are located in all restrooms.

Families, Children & Youth

Families are an important part of faith communities and we are so glad you are here! We want you all to attend worship together, either online or in person. There is no onsite childcare during worship at this time. There is a rug in the back of the Sanctuary with book and toys for babies and kids and E-101 is open for free play. Children and youth classes are held at 12pm. Please find more information in the weekly Friday newsletter for children and youth. <http://bit.ly/ESUCemails>

Keeping In Touch

Do you want to keep in touch during the week? Follow us on Facebook (EastShoreUC), Twitter (@ESUC1) and Instagram (eastshore_uc). You can also request to join our email list by emailing our Director of Membership Development at membership@esuc.org. Paper copies of sermons and audio copies of the service are available in the Administration Building. You can also listen to the sermons online at esuc.org/worship/past-worship-services. Sermons are also available as Podcasts, search for "East Shore Unitarian Sermons." Sermons are posted on Tuesdays.

Have a suggestion? Leave your comments and suggestions in the box located under the TV screen in the Sanctuary lobby.

Please return this Order of Service to the baskets by the door for recycling.



“Reproductive freedom is critical to a whole range of issues. If we can’t take charge of this most personal aspect of our lives, we can’t take care of anything. It should not be seen as a privilege or as a benefit, but a fundamental human right.” — Faye Wattleton

ORDER OF SERVICE

August 14, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Centering Music

3 Romances: Andante
by Clara Schumann

Caitlin Kelley &
Eric Lane Barnes

Announcements

Carol Sinape

Land Acknowledgement

Jenny Hall

Ring of the Bell

Welcome

Nicole Duff

*** Hymn #170**

We Are A Gentle Angry People

Chalice Lighting & Reading

Carol Sinape

Chalice 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.

Story for All Ages

Mary Wears What She Wants
by Keith Negley

LeAnne Struble

OWL Minute

East Shore Unitarian Church Covenant

Nicole Duff

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.

Meditation

Body Blessing

Rev. María Cristina

Joys & Sorrows

Please fill out a card in the back of the Sanctuary (in person) or in chat (virtual)

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Musical Celebration

Nocturne
Lili Boulanger

Caitlin Kelley &
Eric Lane Barnes

Reading

You Are Loved

Rev. María Cristina

Changing Frameworks

Grace Colton
Rev. Hornan & Rev. Keithan

*** Hymn #1028**

The Fire of Commitment

Call to Action

Nicole Duff
Rev. Susan Frederick-Gray

East Shore Action

Lori Saccardi, co-chair Women's Perspective

Share the Plate: Northwest Abortion Access Fund

Marty Wilhelm &

Gifts of the Congregation

Jeanie Schauerman

*Text "ESUC \$20" (or any dollar amount) to 73256, standard text message rates do apply.
You can use esuc.org/give, mail in a check, or drop donations in the back of the Sanctuary.*

To contribute to Northwest Abortion Access Fund:

- *Text & Online: Select "Share the Plate" from the fund drop down*
- *Check: Make check to "ESUC" and write "Share the Plate" or "Northwest Abortion Access Fund" in the memo line*

To contribute to your pledge:

- *Text & Online: Select "PL2022-23" from the fund drop down*
- *Check: Make check to "ESUC" and write "Pledge" in the memo line.*

*** Hymn #1014**

Answering the Call of Love

Closing Words & Extinguishing the Chalice

Nicole Duff

*** Sung Benediction #131**

Love Will Guide Us

Postlude

Wick (from The Secret Garden)
by Lucy Simon

Caitlin Kelley
& Eric Lane Barnes

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices. Please ask any usher for an assisted listening device, a large print hymnal, or a braille hymnal.

Please feel free to fill out a card of care and celebration located at the back of the Sanctuary. These cards can be read during the Pastoral Prayer. Candles are also available to light to recognize a joy or concern.

Worship Leadership Today Worship Associate: Grace Colton | Ushers: Deb Bohem-Davis, Stu Davis, Leroy Smith | Zoom Tech Assistant: Catherine Ramsey

Thanks to the Worship Team; our Ushers and Greeters; our Religious Education Teachers; and the ACE Media People for audio visual support.

Next Sunday, August 21st at 10:30 a.m.

“Protecting the Sacred Salmon and Rivers: A Nimiipuu Perspective”

with the Julian Matthews

Our guest speaker, indigenous activist Julian Matthews, will share what it means for the Nimiipuu (Nez Perce Tribe) to be protectors of sacred lands and waters. The focus of his talk will be the current issue of how Nez Perce Treaty rights are impacted by the Lower Four Snake River dams. Salmon have been a critical part of Nimiipuu culture and identity and are one of the main First Foods for their people. Asserting Treaty rights to safeguard these relationships propels their current activism to restore the wild salmon runs on the Snake River by removing the Lower Snake River dams. In so doing, the tribe aims to ensure that their Treaty rights are secured for future generations. Please join a breakout session after the service to find out more about the Lower Snake River dams and how you can take action.

About the Cover

“Danger of Nostalgia in Wallpaper Form (in utero)” by Holly Ballard Martz
From a distance, this installation appears to be an innocuous patterned wall, perhaps modeled on the pre-Raphaelite designs of Victorian radical William Morris. Closer inspection of the design reveals the installation to be made of dozens of cheap wire coat hangers, shaped and soldered into the repeated diagrammatic form of the human female reproductive system. By installing her piece in the style of ornate wallpaper, Martz manipulates an instrument of the days of “backstreet” abortions—the horror of which we believe to have been banished from any civilized society—into something fit to adorn even the most elegant drawing room. The installation is a societal taboo hidden in plain sight.

Martz bends and forms each piece of wire by hand—an exercise in endurance for her fingers and a metaphor for the slow and painful trudge towards full reproductive rights for women in America. Martz’s craft presents a vivid reminder of a visceral physical reality that underpins the perceived gentility of the absence of women’s rights, tied to a particularly American prudish negations of the realities of the human body. Martz urges us to question what else lurks beneath the surface of our civilization, be it in history, in society, or in ourselves.

TODAY AT EAST SHORE

Share the Plate Northwest Abortion Access Fund: The collection today will go to the Northwest Abortion Access Fund. This is an abortion fund usually serving Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Alaska. Since the recent Supreme Court decision, their work has become even more crucial, and they have expanded their services to other states.

Coffee Hour: 11:30 a.m. Outside: After worship, enjoy a casual time to get to know the East Shore community of friends and members. You will be put into groups of 4-6 for easy conversation and mingling. For those in person, head outside and gather with others! There will be coffee and tea outside, please consider bringing your own travel mug!

Playground Assembly: 11:30 a.m. Behind Education Building: Can you help assemble and install some playground equipment? We are getting some new equipment and need some energy to put it together. We believe seeing kids playing and having fun will bring life and energy to East Shore! Join us to help put together a piece or two... lunch provided!

Black Lives Matter Flash Stance: 12:30 p.m. in Bellevue: Join fellow UU activists for our Black Lives Matter Flash Stance in person on in Issaquah 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!

ESUC NEWS

Save the Date! Ingathering Service: Sunday, September 11: Make sure you mark your calendars! On Sunday, September 11 we will have a lot to celebrate. It will be Rev. María Cristina's first sermon AND we will have our first Salmon Bake since 2019! We still don't know all the details about the food, but if you want to help, let Nicole know at membership@esuc.org

Can You Say "Hello?" I am looking for any and all of those who are able to be welcoming to help expand our usher and greeting team. If you have a passion for welcoming those, or even if you can just say "hello!" please let Nicole Duff know. We will have a training session in August (keep an eye out for a date) so you feel more comfortable, and know you don't have to know the answer to everything, just offer a warm welcome and a connection. To get on the list for notifications, email Nicole at membership@esuc.org.

E Ala E Mural: East Shore is blessed to receive and display the "E Ala E" Mural in the Sanctuary. East Shore members and friends painted parts of the Mural as it accompanied the Red Road to DC Totem Pole journey over the summer, 2021. We invite you to view the Mural accompanied by photographs and explanatory materials now through October, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

From Afghanistan to America: Artist Abdul Wasi Habibi's Journey Discussion: Sunday, August 28, 12:00 p.m. (In Person): East Shore is hosting an exhibition of Afghan artist Abdul Wasi Habibi's oil paintings from August 11-end of October, 2022. You are invited to a special talk at East Shore about the show and the artist on Sunday, August 28 starting at noon.

Join the East Shore Outdoors Group: Misc. Dates (In Person): It's a great time to get outside and enjoy the beautiful Pacific Northwest. You can do that, and contribute to building community at East Shore, by participating in walks and hikes organized by the East Shore Outdoors group. To learn more contact Amanda Strombom.

OWL Teacher Training: September 3-5 (In Person): OWL empowers adults and children across the lifespan to learn about their bodies, sexuality, and genders. We need 15 adults to get trained to facilitate OWL next year. There are new editions of K-2 curricula and 10-12 curricula, so even if you've trained before, it's time to re-engage. Register at esuc.org.

In Person RE Facilitator Training: September 10, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Volunteer members and friends facilitate and lead our programs with children and youth. If you haven't experienced the power of mentorship, consider doing so this year. Parents are asked to contribute their time to our cooperative model of education.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF OUR INDIGENOUS NEIGHBORS

We acknowledge that this land is the traditional territory of indigenous peoples: the Duwamish, Snohomish, Tulalip, Snoqualmie, Muckleshoot, Puyallup, Suquamish, and Wenatchi nations, among others. We recognize the impact of settler colonialism on these peoples. We pledge to nurture our relationship with our Coast Salish neighbors as we work to restore and sustain their homelands upon which we all depend.

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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.

The Eight Principles

Unitarian Universalist congregations affirm and promote eight Principles, which we hold as strong values and moral guides. They are:

- * The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- * Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- * Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- * A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- * The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- * The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- * Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.
- * Journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.

Getting to Know Us

Where to Start: Attend worship services, introduce your children to Religious Education, come to coffee hour, join the choir, participate in East Shore's variety of activities and classes. You can read more about these in our newsletter, *The Beacon*, or if you sign up for the weekly e-mail (at the visitors table).

Learn More about Becoming a Member: Talk to our Director of Membership Development for details about our Pathway to Membership.

Ways to Support East Shore's Mission

Donations to East Shore go to support the operating fund. This allows us to be open seven days a week, offer great programming, classes, and events. Please join us for some upcoming classes or events!

There are many ways to volunteer your time at East Shore, whether you like to do office work, grounds work, or working with children. We are open 7 days a week, and could always use more help. For more information, fill out a form at www.esuc.org/give/volunteer/ or contact our Office Administrator Jenny Newell, at esuc@esuc.org