Extinguishing the Chalice

In unison:

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.

-Elizabeth Selle Jones

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Coffee Hour & Discussion of the Sermon

Announcements

Newcomers welcome! — We hope you felt at home here with us. Please be sure to sign the sign-in sheet in the lobby. If you'd like more information about the WUU, please visit our homepage or Facebook group, given below.

April Discussion Group — Our discussion group for April will not take place on the first, but on the second Sunday (April 9th)!

Getting Involved — Various committees have been formed in the last few months and still more participation is needed by members and friends alike. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

Visioning — We're on track to pick a date for our first visioning workshop. The Doodle poll will be open till March 24th; if you haven't received the email with the link, please contact us at the email address given below!

Strictly Fun Fourth Sundays (or Saturdays) — Have an idea? Just suggest it (even spontaneously), and see who comes!

We welcome your contributions no matter the size or form. Anyone with ideas for events, please do share them in person, on Facebook or via email!

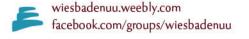


"White Privilege: Giving Up Power -Giving Out Power?"



Led by Jeff Ingle

March 19th, 2017



Love is the doctrine of this church.

The quest for truth is its sacrament.

And service is its prayer.

Prelude

"Did Trouble Me" (by Susan Werner)

Welcome

Opening Words

Chalice Lighting

When all the people of the world love,

Then the strong will not overpower the weak.

The many will not oppress the few.

The wealthy will not mock the poor.

The honored will not disdain the humble.

The cunning will not deceive the simple.

-Mo-Tse ("When All the People")



First Hymn

"One More Step" (#168, Singing the Living Tradition)

First Reading (responsive)

As labor is the common burden of our race, so the effort of some to shift their share of the burden onto the shoulders of others is the great, durable, curse of the race.

As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master.

This expresses my idea of democracy. Whatever differs from this, to the extent of the difference, is no democracy.

Our reliance is in our love for liberty; our defense is in the spirit which prizes liberty as the heritage of all people in all lands everywhere.

Destroy this spirit, and we have planted the seeds of despotism at our own doors.

Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves, and cannot long retain it.

Why should there not be a patient confidence in the ultimate justice of the people? Is there any better or equal hope in the world?

Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith, let us, to the end, dare to do our duty as we understand it.

—Abraham Lincoln ("The Idea of Democracy")

Sharing of Joys and Concerns



Second Hymn

"When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place" (#1008, Singing the Journey)

Story for All Ages

"The Skin You Live In" (by Michael Tyler, illustrated by David Lee Csicsko)

In unison:

Go now in peace, go now in peace. May the spirit of love surround you, everywhere, everywhere you may go.

Offertory

Second Reading

"White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack" (excerpts; by Peggy McIntosh)

Meditation

Third Reading

"White Privilege: An Account to Spend" (excerpts; by Peggy McIntosh)

Sermon (Part 1)

"White Privilege: Giving Up Power - Giving Out Power" (by Jeff Ingle)



Third Hymn

"We'll Build a Land" (#121, Singing the Living Tradition)

Benediction