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March 10, 2024 Semi-Programmed Worship 10:00 AM

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All Are Welcome Here

Because we believe each person represents an image of the Divine and welcome the light that each individual brings, we open our doors to everyone. We encourage full participation by all in the life of our meeting. We recognize one another as equal travelers on the journey, seeking always to celebrate our joys and share our struggles together. May we create and tend an ethic of respect, reverence, safety, and listening. May we delight in our differences.

Meeting for Worship

March 10, 2024 10:00 PM Semi-programmed worship Carl, Music

Welcome

First Word: Reading of an interview about John Shelby Spong on prayer

Song: Come and Find the Quiet Center

Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,

Find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed

Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see

All the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace, God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base, Making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun, Raising courage when we're shrinking, finding hope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain,

Let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain:

There's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care,

In the Spirit's lively scheming, there is always room to spare.

Scripture: Matthew 26:36-47

Special music: Chopin's Prelude in C minor, op.28 no. 20

Message: Different Processes of Prayer

Open Worship Queries — What is your prayer process? What has been the evolution of your prayer life?

Are all Hearts and Minds clear?

(when the question is asked toward the end of open worship, if you are still in prayer about something or you have something you are led to say, you can shake your head "no," and we will wait for your prayer time to be completed, and we will continue to pray with you in the meantime)

Joys and Concerns

Closing Prayer

Announcements

- March 10, 2024 after worship -- Art and Spirituality
 a Ten Finger Labyrinth Led by Sue Graves
- Meditation Monday, Tomorrow at 6:00
- Peace Prayer for a Ceasefire Every Wednesday at 6:30
- Please see the insert about next Saturday and Sunday's gatherings with Judy Maurer
- Pantry night: March 19 and 26.

- March 29, 6:30 PM seeing the movie *Chocolat*, bring chocolate food items to share, let's have a time of fun and reflection. *Chocolat* is a 2000 romance film, based on the 1999 novel *Chocolat* by the English author Joanne Harris, directed by Lasse Hallström. It has a religious lesson about Lent and celebrating a joyful life.
- March 31, Easter
- Book Study: April 7, after meeting for worship. First two chapters of *Living Buddha*, *Living Christ*

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Financial giving is a concrete way in which we ALL can share in the ministry and outreach of Friends. Thank you to all who faithfully contribute! May we continue to trust God to enable us to give with generous and open hearts!

Please pledge for 2024. Forms are the entry table.

March 16, 2024 11 AM-3 PM

Dear Friends,

March 16, 11 AM-3PM (NOTE TIME CHANGE FROM 10 TO 11) is a very important time for KFFC. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend at the church for a day of continuing the conversation and answering the questions of the minute listed above, "Who are we?" "What are we led to?" If you have not been interviewed by Judy Maurer yet, please contact her (email is judypdx@gmail.com to set this up).

The schedule for the day, March 16:

11:00 Fellowship and Potluck

12:00 – 3:00 PM Music, reflections from Judy, worship-sharing --- Led by Judy Maurer

The schedule for Sunday, March 17:

10:00 Meeting for Worship with a theme of community, reflection, self-reflection, wondering together – led by Leigh

11:00 Small bites, teas/coffee, more sharing, conversations and informal gathering

Letter to the congregation from Judy Maurer

March 16-17: Continuing the Conversation

I have interviewed eleven members and attenders, so far. I am grateful to each one. People have spoken openly to me of their reflections, yearnings, events, and experiences, including painful ones, and the deep connection they feel to the people of Klamath Falls Friends.

My emphasis has been on helping people reflect. On Saturday, March 16, I will reflect back to you on the themes of what I have learned, so that you all can then be better equipped to look to the future as a group. However, it's a future in an uncertain landscape. Many people around the world and in Klamath Falls do still have a spiritual hunger. They yearn to connect actively with the Divine, just not the way some of us are accustomed to in a church or meetinghouse. So how do we hold space for people who yearn to connect in a different way? It's a new era, but one with lots of hope.

On Saturday, March 16th, we will gather for a meal together, then music and a bit of worship. I'll give my (your) reflections. I have listened to people being spiritual or being kind, observant or thoughtful, and together they have given me a broad range of perspectives. The discussion which may follow will be done in worship, with safe boundaries my primary concern.

On Sunday following worship, we'd like to have a more unstructured social time in the basement. Both my husband and I want to hang out with you! Questions? Contact me at judypdx@gmail.com