Thomas Jefferson Memorial Church Unitarian Universalist

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OUR COVENANT: In order to create the beloved community we all desire for ourselves, we, the Congregation of TJMC Unitarian Universalist covenant to:

- Communicate with compassion and respect, especially when we disagree
- Celebrate diversity and nurture our inclusivity,
- Embrace one another spiritually and emotionally,
- Promote social justice within our congregation and the larger community,
- Generously support the ministries of the church with time, money and enthusiasm, and
- When we have fallen short, lovingly call each other back into covenant.

GETTING STARTED AT TJMC-UU

- **1. Make Contact.** Visit the Greeters in the foyer before our services, and visit our Connections Table in the Social Hall after the services. Let us help you meet someone else.
- **2. Try us out**. Come to several Sunday services and stay for refreshments in the Social Hall; attend a smaller-group event; have a conversation with our minister. Get to know someone!
- **3. Come to an Orientation.** Next Newcomers Orientation is July 17th. Sign-up at the Connections Table or contact Jean Newland at <u>jeannewland45@gmail.com</u>.
- **4. Join us, become a member!** If you have been visiting for a while and feel you have found a church home, stop by the Connections Table in the Social Hall after the service or contact one of our Ministers.

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June 19, 2016 10:00 am

This month we're asking: What does it mean to be a people of simplicity?

GATHERING IN FAITH ...

SOUNDING THE CHIME

WORDS OF WELCOME

Whoever you are, Whomever you love,

However you express your identity;

Whatever your situation in life,

Whatever your experience of the holy,

Your presence here is a gift.

Whether you are filled with sadness,

Overflowing with joy,

Needing to be alone with yourself,

Or eager to engage with others,

You have a place here.

We all have a place here.

We all are welcome here.

PRELUDE

LIGHTING THE CHALICE

I sing of a new American

Separate from all others,

Yet enlarged and diminished by all others.

I am the child of kings and serfs, freemen and slaves,

Having neither superiors nor inferiors,

Progeny of all colors, all cultures, all systems, all beliefs.

I have been enslaved, yet my spirit is unbound.

I have been cast aside, but I sparkle in the darkness.

I have been slain but live on in the river of history.

I seek no conquest, no wealth, no power, no revenge:

I seek only discovery

Of the illimitable heights and depths of my own being.

We light our chalice to guide that quest.

[poem by the Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray]

OPENING HYMN: #149, "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

BEGINNING THE JOURNEY

OPENING WORDS: A Reading of the Emancipation Proclamation

MUSICAL RESPONSE: "Precious Lord" sung by Walter Hoffman

REFLECTIONS

FINDING THE CENTER ...

SHARING OUR JOYS & SORROWS

A TIME OF PRAYER & MEDITATION

MEDITATION HYMN: #352, "Find a Stillness"

LIFTING OUR GAZE UPWARD AND OUTWARD ...

READING

OFFERTORY AND EXTENDING OUR COMMUNITY

Today's Social Action Collection benefits the Women's Initiative

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

We accept these gifts with gratitude.

May we use them wisely and for the highest good.

GOING FORTH IN FAITH ...

HYMN OF GOING FORTH #1030, "Siyahamba"

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE and PARTING WORDS

POSTLUDE

Altar decorations provided by Sara Gondwe in celebration of Juneteenth
Ushers ~ Ann Salamini and Susan Erno
Worship Leaders ~ Rev. Wik Wikstrom & Jeanine Braithwaite
Minsters ~ each and every person here

