

Thomas Jefferson Memorial Church Unitarian Universalist

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Office hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 1 pm

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 April 24. Sign-up at the Connections Table or contact Jean Newland at jeannewland45@gmail.com.
- 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.

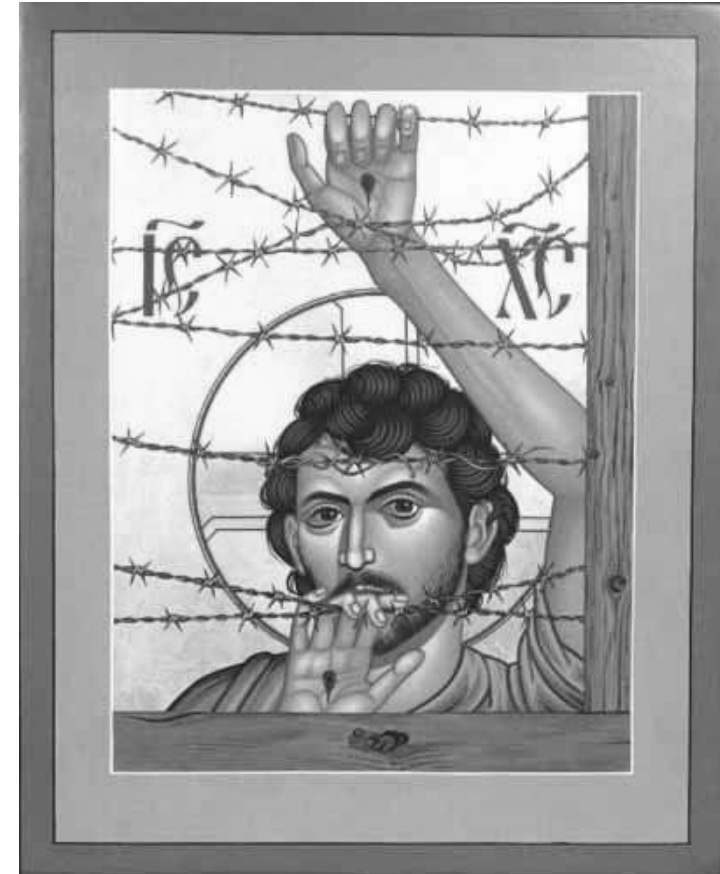
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“Christ of Maryknoll” by Robert Lentz

Liberation Theology

March 20, 2016
9:15 & 11:15 A.M.

Our question this month: *What does it mean to be a people of liberation?*

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.

LIGHTING THE CHALICE

May we, who have so much,
Find ways to truly be with those
Who have so much less.
In order to be one, we must *be* one,
And not just talk about it.
May the light we now kindle illuminate our path.

PRELUDE "March: Song of the Lark" Tchaikovsky

BEGINNING THE JOURNEY

THE DEDICATION OF OUR IMPACT NETWORK MEMBERS

IMPACT Network Team Members, we commission you to the important
ministry of keeping us working side-by-side in community with others as we
strive to increase justice in this world. We charge you to continue to remind us
of what needs to be done, and to inspire us to show up for justice.

OPENING HYMN: #1014, "Standing on the Side of Love"

FINDING THE CENTER ...

PRAYER – SPOKEN, SILENT AND EMBODIED

*Let us all maintain a sacred silence throughout this time – there is a lot of time for talking in our
lives, but precious little quiet. This time of stillness this morning can be a gift to us all.*

MEDITATION HYMN: #1031, "Filled With Loving Kindness"

READING

REFLECTION:

RevWik

LIFTING OUR GAZE UPWARD AND OUTWARD ...

OFFERTORY AND EXTENDING OUR COMMUNITY

Our Social Justice Collection this morning supports the work of PACEM
*This is a good time to greet your neighbors. If you want to text, tweet, or IM someone to
share the experience you're having, we recommend: #uusunday and #tjmcuu*

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

We accept these gifts with gratitude.
May we use them wisely and for the highest good.

SHARING OUR JOYS & SORROWS

GOING FORTH IN FAITH ...

HYMN OF GOING FORTH #108, "My Life Flows On"

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE *and* PARTING WORDS

POSTLUDE



9:15 AM Ushers: Ann Salamini

11:15 AM Ushers: Elizabeth Breeden and Walter Hoffman

Thanks to Scott DeVeaux, Christine Gresser, Wik Wikstrom,
and each and every person present for facilitating this morning's worship.
We were all needed to make this time what it was.