

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 will be Sunday, April 23rd. 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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*The Best Place to Hide
from the Holy*

March 5, 2017
9:15 & 11:15 am

PREPARATION ...

SOUNDING THE CHIME

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

We talk about the need to change,
But we'd rather stay the way we are.
We say we know we need to grow,
But we're not so sure we want to.
Yet even so ...
This flame we kindle,
Week after week,
Beckons us to go forth
From where we are
To where we need to be.
~ *Anonymous*

ENTERING IN

A STORY FOR ALL AGES

HYMN RESPONSE: #1008, “When Our Heart is in a Holy Place”

REFLECTION: “The Best Place to Hide from the Holy”

OFFERTORY AND EXTENDING OUR COMMUNITY

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

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

GOING DEEPER ...

A TIME OF SILENCE

LIGHTING CANDLES & WRITING IN THE SANDS

SING TOGETHER: #123, “Spirit of Life”

JOYS AND SORROWS

PASTORAL PRAYER

MUSICAL MEDITATION

RETURNING ...

PARTING WORDS

HYMN OF GOING FORTH #86, “Blessed Spirit of My Life”

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE

Ushers: 9:15- George Marris 11:15-Elizabeth Breeden and Gayle Floyd
The altar was created by the Contemplative Worship Team