#### 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 will be Sunday, August 27. Signup at the Connections Table or contact Jean Newland at <a href="mailto:jeannewland45@gmail.com">jeannewland45@gmail.com</a>.
- **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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Song in a Weary Throat
June 18, 2017
10:00 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

"It has taken me almost a lifetime to discover that true emancipation lies in the acceptance of the whole past, in deriving strength from all my roots, in facing up to the degradation as well as the dignity of my ancestors." May this chalice we light, Lead us to see so clearly.

(Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray, adapted)

# ENTERING IN ....

**OPENING WORDS** 

HYMN RESPONSE: #389, "Gathered Here in the Mystery"

REFLECTION: "Song in a Weary Throat"

#### OFFERTORY AND EXTENDING OUR COMMUNITY

Social Action Collection: 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 DEEPER ...

A TIME OF SILENCE

LIGHTING CANDLES & WRITING IN THE SANDS

SING TOGETHER: #352, "Find a Stillness"

JOYS AND SORROWS

PASTORAL PRAYER

MUSICAL MEDITATION

## **RETURNING ...**

PARTING WORDS

HYMN OF GOING FORTH #128, "For All That is Our Life" BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE



**Ushers:** 10:00 – Marcia Brecker and Faith Moore The altar was created by the Contemplative Worship Team