#### 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 coming up soon. Sign-up at the Connections Table or contact Sally Taylor, sallytaylor411@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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Cultural (Mis) Appropriation
May 20, 2018
9:15 & 11:15 am

### PREPARATION ...

SOUNDING THE CHIME

CHORAL PRELUDE: "We Come Here"

Angela Salvaggione

**GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Cypress Walker

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,

As you come seeking love, 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 "Arietta"

Grieg

James Smith, piano

LIGHTING THE CHALICE

Cypress Walker

We light this chalice to celebrate Unitarian Universalism.

This is a church of helping hands. This is a church of open minds.

This is a church of loving hearts.

ENTERING IN ....

OPENING HYMN (9:15 only) # 347, "Gather the Spirit"

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (11:15 only)

SINGING THE CHILDREN TO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

#414 "As We Leave This Friendly Place"

As we leave this friendly place, love give light to ev'ry face

May the kindness that we learn guide our hearts 'til we return.

**OPENING WORDS** 

from The Passover Haggadah (The Jewish Federations of North America)

SERMON "Cultural Mis(Appropriation)" Scott DeVeaux

OFFERTORY

"Air," From Holberg's Time

Grieg

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

Social Action Collection: The Women's Initiative

We accept these gifts with gratitude.

May we use them wisely and for the highest good.

GOING DEEPER ...

CHORAL MEDITATION: "So Still"

Brian Tate

EMBODIED MEDITATION: Lighting Candles, Writing in the Sands, and

Sitting Meditation D

JOYS AND SORROWS

RETURNING ...

CHORAL BENEDICTION "We Are One"

Brian Tate

BENEDICTION & EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE

POSTLUDE "Prelude," From Holberg's Time

Ushers: 9:15-Maggie Ober 11:15-Elizabeth Breeden and Marcia Brecker

Altar flowers donated in eternal love of Logan Gill.

Paint the world orange.

The altar was created by the Contemplative Worship Team and represents the May monthly worship theme of "Thunderstorm". This morning we explore how we receive protection and comfort in our lives, and how we offer that to others.

### We Come Here

We come here to try what we never try outside
We come here to do what we fear to do outside
Sing loudly, breathe deeply,
Give freely, dance and shout!
Speak honestly, hear patiently,
Love openly, trust and doubt.
We come here to laugh with each other's joy inside
(To ache with each other's pain inside)
We come here to treasure each other's lives inside
(To see with each other's eyes inside)
And this day we'll try what we've never tried,
Do what we fear to do, be who we long to be inside,
Because we come here!

### So Still

So still were the big woods
Where I sat
Sound might not yet have been born
Feel their protective spread
Their uplifting rise
Their solid immovable strength
See God in it all
Enter into the life of the trees
The silence full of sound
Everything is green
Everything is waiting and still
Everything is alive

## We are One

When we walk, when we sleep, When we rise, we are one. When we laugh, when we sing, When we cry, when we run. We are one. And we shall love one another with all our hearts And we shall care for each other With all our soul and our might.

When we stand, when we fall, When we rise, we are one. In the cold, in the heat, In the dark, in the sun, We are one.

When we're hurting one another, That's the way we hurt ourselves, With our sisters and our brothers, We will rise.

And we do, and we try
We must live or we die
We will reach, we will climb
We will rise, we will fly
We are one.

And these words shall be forever within our hearts And we shall teach them to our children And we'll remember them in our lives

When we walk, when we sleep,
When we rise, we are one.
When we laugh, when we sing,
When we cry, when we run.
We are strong, we belong, we are one!