

"The UU Seven Principles 1961-2024: Where Did They Come From? Where Did They Go?"

March 29
10 AM

with Ron Malzer

GATHERING MUSIC "Eye Closed and Traveling" by Peter Broderick. Lynn Biddick, piano.

RINGING THE CHIMES

WELCOMING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *If you are visiting us for the first time, we're glad you're here! Visit uulacrosse.org/connect to tell us about yourself.*

CHALICE LIGHTING "First Principle Chalice Lighting" by Florence Caplow

We light this chalice today in honor of the Unitarian Universalist First Principle: To affirm and promote the inherent worth and dignity of every person. We recognize that these are not just words to be spoken; instead, they call us out of our comfort into an ever-deepening commitment: a commitment we make to the rights of all whose inherent worth and dignity are denied, diminished, or destroyed by systems of oppression. And they call us into the practice of looking into our own hearts, with courage and honesty.

OPENING SONG STLT #123 "Spirit of Life" Lynn Biddick, piano.

OPENING WORDS "In This Quiet Hour May Our Hearts Be Renewed" by Gary Kowalski.

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

CHORAL ANTHEM "The Road Home" by Stephen Paulus. UU La Crosse Choir. Lynn Biddick, piano.

TIME FOR ALL AGES with Carmen Golay.

Youth invited to go to RE Activities as congregation sings STLT #168 "One More Step": One more step, / we will take one more step, / 'til there is peace for us and everyone, / we'll take one more step.

COVENANT

We are a caring community that inspires, nurtures, and empowers one another.

With trust, respect, and compassion, we strive to listen deeply, communicate clearly, and act with love toward one another, our community, and the world.

SHARING OF JOYS AND SORROWS

OFFERTORY Visit uulacrosse.org/waystogive to make pledge payments or contributions to our general fund and/or special collection. This month's special collection is for The Mutual Aid Fund.

Music: "Bagatelle #15" by Robert Vandall. Lynn Biddick, piano.

READING & MEDITATION by Winston Churchill and Confucius

TALK "The UU Seven Principles 1961-2024: Where Did They Come From? Where Did They Go?" with Ron Malzer

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

SPECIAL MUSIC "Listening" by Lea Morris. UU LA Crosse Choir & Youth. Lynn Biddick, piano.

CLOSING SONG STJ #1064 "Blue Boat Home" Lynn Biddick, piano.

CLOSING WORDS AND CHALICE EXTINGUISHING "Bring Happiness" by Barbara Cheatham

Before we gather here again—

may each of us bring happiness into another's life;

may we each be surprised by the gifts that surround us;

may each of us be enlivened by constant curiosity —

And may we remain together in spirit

til the hour we meet again.

POSTLUDE STJ #1064 "Blue Boat Home" Lynn Biddick, piano.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Join us Next Sunday at 10:00 AM

"In Search of the Beloved Community" with Eric Kraemer