



LAKESHORE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP
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September 13, 2020
"Mingling of the Waters"

GATHERING HYMN: "Enter, Rejoice, and Come In"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHALICE LIGHTING:

The chalice is a vessel, a bowl, a cup.
With the water, we will place in this vessel
Our common hopes, our shared dreams,
Our mutual commitment
To a world made whole.

OPENING WORDS:

Water flows from on high in the mountains.
Water runs deep in the Earth.
Miraculously, water comes to us,
And sustains all life.
Water and sun green these plants.
When the rain of compassion falls,
Even a desert becomes an immense, green ocean.

Thich N'Hat Hahn

OPENING HYMN: "Spirit of Life"

JOYS AND CONCERNS (A time for *brief*, personal sharing from the heart)

MEDITATION

READING: "I've Known Rivers"

Langston Hughes

I've known rivers:
I've known rivers ancient as the world and older than the
flow of human blood in human veins.
My soul has grown deep like the rivers.
I bathed in the Euphrates when dawns were young.
I built my hut near the Congo and it lulled me to sleep.
I looked upon the Nile and raised the pyramids above it.
I heard the singing of the Mississippi when Abe Lincoln
went down to New Orleans, and I've seen its muddy
bosom grow all golden in the sunset.
I've known rivers:
Ancient, dusky rivers.
My soul has grown deep like the rivers..

MINGLING OF THE WATERS:

CLOSING HYMN: "Blue Boat Home"

Peter Mayer

CLOSING WORDS:

I am but a drop of water.
Alone, I would disappear,
Dried up by the scorching sun
Or sucked up by the dry, thirsty earth.
But together we can wear out stones,
Carve out the Grand Canyon,
Make streams and rivers,
And find our way to the sea.

Rev. Keko-Heong McNaughton

SHALOM

BREAK OUT ROOM "COFFEE HOUR"

UPCOMING SERVICES:

Sept. 20 "Coloring Outside the Lines", with Rev. Tony Larsen, retired UU Minister

In keeping with September's "Renewal" theme, Tony's sermon this Sunday is about what people sometimes call "thinking outside the box," "moving outside the grid," or "jumping the rails of conventional thinking." It's also sometimes referred to simply as a paradigm shift. Whatever we might call it though, it is the foundation stone for almost every important movement, cultural change, scientific advancement, artistic breakthrough, or religious development. Tony will show how it can be important in our own spiritual lives as well.