

LOVE All Souls INDIANAPOLIS IN ACTION

Order of Service

All are welcome to type in the chat box before the service to lift up a joy or concern.

July 12, 2020

Welcome

Ollie Howe, Worship Associate

Chalice Lighting & Covenant

Annalise Kinslow

Congregational Hymn

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Member Reflection

Ollie Howe

Time for All Ages

Sarah Cannon

Celebrating with Music

We Shall Be Known

Joys and Concerns

Reading,

“Human Family,” by Maya Angelou

Silent Meditation

Sung Response

Sermon

Teresa Quay

Connection Card

Offering

Share the Plate: Urban League Programs from the Indianapolis Urban League focus on housing and employment needs, and they are also involved in offering other services such as medical care and referrals. They are a leading Marion County non-profit for the less fortunate and low income in Marion County.

Closing Hymn

The Fire of Commitment

Benediction

Announcements

Coffee Hour

About our guest speaker: Teresa Quay graduated from the University of Louisville with a B.S. in 1986 and have been an accountant and EA for 33 years, specializing in small businesses and nonprofit entities. She is the parent of two grown daughters, and has a granddaughter who lives with her. She joined All Souls three years ago.



Teresa Quay will share with the congregation her journey through the thicket of examining truth and justice and how different they are if you are white, compared to people of color. Her realization that her upbringing in a racist community colored her early views of race relations, and facing her white privilege with a pledge to overcome that bias, are a provocative backdrop to her faith journey and finding the beloved community at All Souls. (it starts with Superman)

Upcoming Events

Join a Summer Chalice Circle



Small groups are the heart of what we do at All Souls, being in safe spaces where we can deeply connect is the life-blood of our community. Chalice circles are a wonderful way to deepen your faith practice, connect more intimately with your community and set aside sacred time to

focus and breath. Joining a circle is a commitment. We ask that you join only if you are able to attend without missing (we understand that emergencies happen). Our summer circles will run for about 6 weeks, so that when they end you will have the opportunity to join a circle starting in the Fall.

We have 2 summer circles starting in late July:

The young (or Young at Heart) Chalice Circle: Co facilitated by Gargi Sundaram and Leah Berti. This will be a socially distanced, in-person group meeting at the home of the facilitators on the East side of Indianapolis. This group's focus is to provide a place for younger congregants to make connections, but is open to older congregants wishing to engage in inter-generational community building. RSVP to [Gargi](#) or [Leah](#) to sign up.

All Virtual Chalice Circle: Co facilitated by Crystal Francis and Lana Anderson. This group will meet entirely online with no in-person contact. [RSVP to Crystal Francis](#) to sign up. Direct any general questions to Nasreen Khan at programs@allsoulsindy.org.

Board of Trustees Meeting, July 14, 7pm

All are welcome to join us at our July 14 meeting, which will take place via a Zoom call and will begin at 7pm. Use [THIS LINK](#) to join

Avatar: The Last Airbender Discussion Group! July 21, 1pm.

This popular animated series recently returned to Netflix, and it's causing a stir! You can [read more about why](#) here, but in short, it's a funny, exciting show that aligns really well with our UU values and asks some tough questions! Beginning on Tuesday the 21st, we'll be getting together at 1 pm to chat about different episode(s) every week. Don't have Netflix? No problem. RSVP (families@allsoulsindy.org) and we'll set up a screen-shared group watch right before the call!

Living Legacy Project. 7:30pm.

Multiple dates available: July 28/ August 25, 2020

The night her home was firebombed by the Klan Ellie Dahmer got her children to safety while her husband stood in the burning doorway holding off the attackers. When 14-year-old Emmett Till was murdered in Mississippi in 1955, 12-year-old Joyce Ladner felt "powerless and frightened." She felt the murder was a "call for (her) generation to do something."

Arekia Bennett mentors young organizers dedicated to making change. She works with them to address issues of voter disenfranchisement, voter ID laws, rural voter turnout, and increasing voter participation in Mississippi with a particular focus on young people.

These amazing women represent three different generations of activists. Their passion for equity and the right to vote has been a guiding force throughout their lives and work. In light of what is happening in our country today, their voices are even more important. Meet them, hear their stories, and learn about their work today in the second program of the Living Legacy Project's online series, "[Voting Rights. The Struggle Continues.](#)"

Join us for a conversation with three generations of voting rights activists: Dr. Ellie Dahmer, Dr. Joyce Ladner, and Ms. Arekia Bennett .

Blue Boat Home Group on World Scriptures

Our really wonderful first run of this group focused on essays on the idea of home, and we had really valuable conversations. Our second session, which will run five weeks, (one meeting a week) will focus on the Scriptures of the world. As Unitarians, our third source is "Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life". We



will dive into passages from various Scriptures and reflect on their relevancy on our own lives. Once we have a core group we will decide what time to meet on Zoom. Please RSVP to programs@allsoulsindy.org

Virtual Leadership School: Midwest Leadership School online for 2020!

Because of the novel coronavirus, we've had to re-schedule our in-person MidWest Leadership School until 2021. But the need for learning how to be a leader doesn't take a year off, so we're moving Leadership Experience training online.

We will hold four sessions, three weeks apart: August 22, September 12, October 3, and October 24. Sessions will run from 9:00 am Central / 10:00 am Eastern and go for about three hours.

The Saturday Sessions will focus on the following themes:

Session 1: Identity: Creating the Beloved Community, focusing on questions such as who is “us,” what covenants bind us together, widening our circle of inclusion

Session 2: Mission Vision: Why Do We Bother, exploring the reasons your congregation exists, what your purpose in the world is

Session 3: Systems: How Does it All Fit Together, focusing on congregational DNA, how things work, how to lead from a systemic position

Session 4: Conflict: Being Together Across Differences, exploring how congregations resolve issues, and how to be together while disagreeing

Each session will look at leadership with deliberate emphasis on two areas: dismantling systemic white supremacy culture, and congregational life in a world with physical distancing. Registration will be \$150 per person, and registration will be up by the middle of July. We will be offering scholarships of up to 50% off for people from historically marginalized communities. We will be asking for a written recommendation from the leadership of your congregation agreeing to your participation, so start talking with your board leadership about this now. All students will need to agree to a covenant about attendance and behavioral expectations. This school is open to those above the age of 18. If you have questions, please direct them to Lisa Presley (lpresley@uua.org). Register at <https://www.mwls.org/mwls/adult-fees>.

Announcements

.Volunteers Wanted!

Have you been curious about what’s going on in our Faith Formation programs? Do you enjoy spending time with children and youth? Do you have a healthy sense of curiosity, and maybe even some gaps in your own theological knowledge base that you’d like to fill in? Then you might be a terrific Faith Formation volunteer! To express interest and receive more information, fill out [this brief Google form](#), and DCCP Sarah Cannon will be in touch with you soon!



Last Week at a Glance

Sunday, July 5, 2020

Total Pledges and Donations received: \$2529.50

Sharing the Plate: \$125.50 will be donated to Senior Legal Services

\$125.50 was collected for All Souls

An Update from the Board of Trustees:

Interim Minister Start Date

We are eager to welcome our new interim minister, Rev. Joel Miller, who will begin working at All Souls in early August. We will plan to officially welcome him at our August 9 service, and he will be in the pulpit for the first time on August 16. Stay tuned for more details. You can learn more about Rev. Miller at his [website](#).

Settled Minister Search process

Several Board members and congregants recently attended a UUA training on the settled minister search process. What we learned is that having a two-year interim period, as we have chosen to do, is a best-practice that is proven to allow ample time to reflect, plan and conduct an effective search – with

successful results. We have already completed the first phase of the process, which is concluding a ministry well. Being able to give Rev. Anastassia a “good good-bye,” was an important part of the process. Our new interim minister, Rev. Miller, has [extensive experience](#) in this area and will help guide us through the rest of the process, which will begin in early 2021 (education and preparation as the first step). If you are curious about what the process looks like, you can find resources on the [Ministerial Transitions](#) section of the UUA website.

Church Closings and Access to Sunday Services

Until otherwise communicated, the church facility currently will remain closed and we are encouraging all meetings and programs to be offered online via Zoom. Please contact [Shelley Carver](#), our office manager, with questions. You can join via a computer, tablet or smartphone for visual teleconference (highly recommended!), or simply dial in using your phones and listen in. Visit: <https://zoom.us/j/412806814> or by dialing (301) 715-8592; Meeting ID: 412 806 814 Thank you for being part of our community; and as a community, we will weather this experience together.

All Souls Feedback Procedure

Concerns should be communicated to the senior minister or the president of the Board of Trustees. Feedback and suggestions can also be submitted on the connection cards. A concern usually falls into one of three categories: preference, performance, or policy. The full procedure can be found on our website under Governance. Positive feedback is greatly welcomed too.

In Our Hearts, Thoughts, and Prayers

Welcome: We welcome to the world Amélie Jeanne Cattet, born June 1, 2020 to Madelin and Jean-Luc Cattet. We celebrate with you!

We welcome three new members to our All Souls family this season! Congratulations and welcome to Cari Nelson, Tandy-Marie Duncan, and Jason Garber who recently signed the virtual membership book. You are valued, wanted, and accepted here, and we are glad you are with us.

If you would like our community to hold a deep sorrow or joy of yours, or to share with us a significant update in your life, please email Shelley Carver (office@allsoulsindy.org).

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Need Hearing or Visual Assistance?

We have improved listening devices for those that need hearing assistance hearing the worship service. We also have large-print hymnals. Both can be found on the wooden table outside the sanctuary. Ushers are available to help!