Sunday, March 13, 2022

Unitarian Universalist Church of Medford It's Alright to Be Afraid

Sharing Their Ministry in Today's Service:

Guest Minister: Will McMillan

Worship Associate & Morning Song Leader: Carole Bundy

Music: Molly Ruggles

Tech Volunteers: April Evans, Steve Schmidt, Brendan Shea, and Carol Schachet

We are glad you are among us today.

To honor and be present to this sacred space and time, please silence your cell phones.

"It's a folk singer's job to comfort disturbed people, and to disturb comfortable people" ~Woody Guthrie

Morning Songs

*Hymn #21 For The Beauty of The Earth

Words: Folliott Pierpoint; music: Conrad Kocher

*Hymn #120 Turn Back

Words: Clifford Bax; music: Genevan psalter melody

The Bell Sounds and Candles Are Lit

Prelude Cry If You Want To Bobby Caldwell & Scott Cross

Call to Worship Jazz Speaks for Life (excerpt) Martin Luther King, Jr.

Welcome and Greeting

Chalice Lighting When Things Are Not OK Molly Brewer

Covenant:

Love is the heart of this church. We commit to:

Being a diverse, welcoming community of mutual care and respect;

Supporting each other's spiritual journey and search for truth and meaning;

Promoting justice and serving the wider community.

We hold ourselves to this promise with compassion and understanding.

*Hymn #186 Grieve Not Your Heart

Words: Confucius; music: from "Kentucky Harmony"

A Time for All Ages Are you scared? There is help. Mimi Olivier

Song of Blessing

Go now in peace, go now in peace. May the light of love surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go.

Opportunity for Generosity:

Music Side By Side Harry Woods

Offering response:

We are grateful for these gifts we have received, that sustain us and affirm the ministries of our church community.

*Hymn #101 Abide With Me

Words: Henry Lyte; music: William Monk

Candles of Joys, Sorrows and Milestones

Prayer or Meditation Let This Darkness Be a Bell Tower

Rainer Maria Rilke

Silent Meditation

Special Music We're Running a Big Experiment Will McMillan

UUCM Choir

Sermon It's Alright to Be Afraid

*Community Closing and Benediction Joanna Macy

Postlude Some Other Time

Words: Betty Comden & Adolph Green; music: Leonard Bernstein

*You are invited to rise as you are able.