

Decorah Unitarian Universalist

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Welcome and Announcements with Nancy Barry

Today's service Relates to the 3rd UU principle: Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregation. Recognizes 10/9 is Indigenous Peoples' Day, and 10/11 is National Coming Out Day

Chalice Lighting #442, *We Bid You Welcome*

Land Acknowledgement

Opening Song #73 *Chant for the Seasons* (verse 1 only – Autumn)

Joys and Concerns We invite anyone who wishes to share a joy or concern to light a match and place it in the fire.

Silence/ Response

Your Joy Is My Joy

Ellen Rockne



Your joy is my joy, your sor-row my sor-row. To -
geth - er we live our days. To - geth - er we love this place. In be -
lov - ed com - mu - ni - ty, we are not a - lone.

Reading: **TBD**

Offering/Offertory For all that is our life, we sing our thanks and praise; for all life is a gift that we are called to use to build the common good, and make our own days glad. by Findlow/Rickey

"Listen More and Talk Less"

by Reverend Sharon Dittmar, read by Lyra McKnight
followed by discussion

Closing Song #295 *Sing Out Praises for the Journey*

Extinguishing the Chalice #597 *Love Versus Hate*

Thank you to: Nancy Barry for service leading, Karen for zoom tech, Lyra for music and for reading, board members, FUUN members, website and facebook posters, coffee brigadiers, and everyone for being here.

Share-the-Plate - Our plate recipient for September/October [Indian Land Tenure Foundation](#) "**Indian Lands in Indian Hands**" To donate to the plate recipient, you can give at [DecorahUU.org](#). Or, if sending a check, please note "Share the Plate" in the memo line. Donations may be mailed to Decorah UU, PO Box 382, Decorah, IA 52101.

Upcoming Services at Decorah UU

October 15 - Our Whole Lives: Lifespan Sexuality Education with Lara Martinsen- Burrell

October 22 - "Evaluation is an Act of Love" - a conversation oriented service.

***October 29 - "Ancestry Remembrance"** with Sue Otte

*A special 'invite a friend' service.

Truth and Healing Movement. Learning about Indian Boarding School Survivors in Iowa - (shared by Decorah Good Shepherd)

You can access these free sessions by going to elca.org and search for Truth and Healing

National Coming Out Day - Celebration October 10

Please join Decorah Pride at The Lingonberry (218 W Water St, Decorah) on Tuesday, October 10 , 7-8:30 pm! Also, if you'd like to help us get the word out, check Decorah Pride's Facebook and Instagram and share the post with event information. With love, Marcella, info@decorahpride.org

A thank you letter to Decorah UU from Decorah UCC

Thank you so much for your recent support and assistance with clean-up efforts after the recent vandalism on West Broadway Street, the rainbow doors and the Decorah UCC property. Your response was thoughtful, helpful, and full of compassion. We can't help but reflect on the fact that our community's reaction to the incident exemplified pride by reaffirming the dignity of all people and the need to defend against hate. What a powerful statement made by our community. We're so grateful to you for being part of that.

~ From the Decorah UCC Church Council

The Decorah UU Board - Contact chair, Julie Ohde if you would like to share a concern or attend the meeting. littleredkayak@gmail.com

Decorah UU Newsletter - Send items for the newsletter to Carolyn at decorahuu.contact@gmail.com by Tuesday.

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Listening more and talking less
a discussion based service



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