

## ORDER OF SERVICE

**JANUARY 28, 2007 9:15 & 11:15 A.M.**

\* **Gathering Song** "Enter, Rejoice, and Come In" (#361)  
Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in.  
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

\* **Call to Worship**

\* **Lighting the Chalice** (in unison)  
Though our knowledge is incomplete,  
Our truth partial,  
And our love imperfect,  
We believe that new light is ever waiting  
To break into our hearts and minds,  
To enlighten our common path,  
That there is mutual strength in willing cooperation,  
And that the bonds of love keep open the gates of freedom.

\* **Musical Response** (Sung by the congregation – #1017)  
+++++Latecomers may be seated+++++

### Responsive Reading

MINISTER: Jesus said, "If your leaders say to you, 'Look, the (Father's) kingdom is in the sky,' then the birds of the sky will precede you. If they say to you, 'It is in the sea,' then the fish will precede you. Rather, the kingdom is within you and it is outside you.

CONGREGATION: Jesus said, "Why do you wash the outside of the cup? Don't you understand that the one who made the inside is also the one who made the outside?"

MINISTER: Jesus said, "You see the sliver in your friend's eye, but you don't see the timber in your own eye. When you take the timber out of your own eye, then you will see well enough to remove the sliver from your friend's eye."

CONGREGATION: Jesus said, "I have cast fire upon the world, and look, I'm guarding it until it blazes."

MINISTER: Jesus said, "No prophet is welcome on his home turf; doctors don't cure those who know them."

CONGREGATION: Jesus said, "If two make peace with each other in a single house, they will say to the mountain, 'Move from here!' and it will move."

MINISTER: Jesus said, "From Adam to John the Baptist, among those born of women, no one is so much greater than John the Baptist that his eyes should not be averted. But I have said that whoever among you becomes a child will recognize the kingdom and will become greater than John."

CONGREGATION: Jesus said, "The person old in days won't hesitate to ask a little child seven days old about the place of life, and that person will live. For many of the first will be last, and will become a single one."

MINISTER: Jesus said, "Congratulations to those who go hungry, so the stomach of the one in want may be filled."

CONGREGATION: Jesus said, "If you have money, don't lend it at interest. Rather, give it to someone from whom you won't get it back."

MINISTER: His disciples said to him, "When will the kingdom come?" "It will not come by watching for it. It will not be said, 'Look, here!' or 'Look, there!' Rather, the Father's kingdom is spread out upon the earth, and people don't see it."

(Sayings 3, 89, 26, 10, 31, 48, 46, 4, 69, 95, 113 from the "Scholars' Translation" of the Gospel of Thomas, translated by Stephen Patterson and Marvin Meyer)

\* **Hymn #274** "Dear Mother-Father of Us All" (verses 1-3)

### **A Time for All Ages**

#### **Singing Out the Children**

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

#### **Congregational Announcements**

#### **Offering & Offertory**

#### **Joys and Sorrows, Period of Silence, Musical Response**

#### **Reading**

#### **Special Music**

#### **Sermon**

"In Quest of the Historical Jesus"

#### \* **Closing Hymn #187**

"It Sounds Along the Ages"

#### \* **Spoken Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice**

#### \* **Closing Song**

"Shalom Havayreem!" (#400)

Shalom, havayreem! Shalom, havayreem! Shalom, shalom!  
L'hitraot, l'hitraot, shalom, shalom.

\* Please rise as willing and able

**Hearing assistance devices** are available to the left of the sanctuary door as you enter the building.

**Tapes of Sunday Services** can be ordered in the back of the sanctuary to the left of the front door (\$3). **Print** versions can be made from our website, [www.quuf.org](http://www.quuf.org).

### **SPECIAL MUSIC FOR TODAY'S SERVICES**

FIRST SERVICE: Special Music: "Amazing Grace", arranged by Jack Schrader; sung by the QUUF choir.

SECOND SERVICE: Musical Response: C. L. Sjöberg, Tonerna ("Visions"), Swedish song, performed by Linda Bach, soprano.

Special Music:: Samuel Barber, "St. Ita's Vision" from the Cycle "Hermit Songs" (poems by Chester Kallman), performed by Linda Bach, soprano, with Beatus Meier at the piano.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Next Week's Service, February 4, 9:15 & 11:15 a.m.** Guest Speaker: Rev. Robert Fulghum. Sermon: "What on Earth Have I Done?"

Robert Fulghum has published seven best-selling books: *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*, *It Was on Fire When I Lay Down on It*, *Uh-Oh, Maybe (Maybe Not)*, *From Beginning to End—The Rituals of Our Lives, True Love*, and *Words I Wish I Wrote*. There are currently more than 16 million copies of his books in print, published in 27 languages in 103 countries. He has performed in two television adaptations of his work for PBS, is a Grammy nominee for the spoken word award, and has been a nationally-syndicated newspaper columnist.

Born in 1937, Robert grew up in Waco, Texas, working in his youth as a ditch-digger, newspaper carrier, ranch hand, and singing cowboy. After college and a short career with IBM, he returned to graduate school to complete a degree in theology. For 22 years he served as a parish minister of Unitarian churches in the Pacific Northwest. During this same period he taught drawing, painting, and philosophy at the Lakeside School in Seattle. He also

sings, plays the guitar and mando-cello, and was a founding member of the authors' collective rock-and-roll band, the Rock-Bottom Reminders. Currently, he lives in Seattle, Washington and on the Greek island of Crete. For more information, see his website: robertfulghum.com.

**“AN EVENING WITH ROBERT FULGHUM”  
Saturday, February 3, 2007, 7:00 P.M., Wheeler Theatre**

Our Sunday Services Committee is selling advance tickets today for an appearance by Robert Fulghum this coming Saturday, Feb. 3, at the Wheeler Theatre. Tickets: (advance, \$5; at the door if still available, \$8). More info is available at the back of the sanctuary today, at our office, or at Quimper Sound.

**Interested in becoming a member at QUUF** or in learning more about this congregation and the Unitarian Universalist approach in religion? The Membership Committee is planning a one-day **Newcomer Orientation this Saturday, Feb. 3, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** Rev. Bode will lead a discussion of religious philosophy and representatives from the Board, Finance, Music, and Religious Education will also attend. A delicious lunch will be served. Childcare upon request. Please sign-up at the back of the sanctuary. Questions? Call Barb Dyer at 379-0353.

**All-Congregation Stewardship Celebration Dinner. Friday, March 23,** Erickson Building at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds.

**ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Annual YRUU Polar Bear Plunge today, Sunday the 28th!** Ft. Worden Kitchen Shelter, 1pm following the 2<sup>nd</sup> service. We've bumped the date up because the water was just way too balmy in mid-February! Oh, and 90% of YRUU youth will be in Bay St Louis in Feb, anyway. Don't miss YRUU's main Fund Raiser of the year – proceeds this year are going to help the QUUF General Fund. Youth will be up front after the service collecting donations. Suggested donations are: \$5 to the knees; \$10 to the neck; \$20 all the way underwater. Bonfire to follow!!!

**Huge Annual Book and Media Sale**—Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>. Start spring-cleaning as a “book blitz”! Bring good used books, discs, etc. to back of sanctuary Feb. 7, 8, and 9<sup>th</sup>. Sign up on a clipboard in the back to help.

**HELP US OBEY THE LAWS**—our Bylaws, that is. Every five years the Bylaws Committee is tasked with reviewing and amending QUUF by-laws so that our practices are in sync with our regulations. If you have any suggestions to assist us in this process, please contact David Alvarez at 385-5854 or [alvarez@olympus.net](mailto:alvarez@olympus.net) ASAP.

**Guest At Your Table** checks can be given to Kathy, or put into the collection plate. Write “G.A.Y.T.” on the memo line.

**Personal Emergency Preparedness For Individuals and Families.** First Class Tues., Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>. Eight classes total.

**THIS WEEK'S DESIGNATED OFFERING**

**January 28 – Northwind Arts Alliance,** dedicated to supporting, educating, and encouraging all the arts – visual, literary, music and dance – in our community. In addition to the many activities they currently sponsor, they are developing an Arts to Elders Project that will take the arts to elder facilities in the community.

More information on these organizations is available at the back of the sanctuary. To suggest organizations for upcoming designated offerings, contact Pam Daly, chair of the Designated Offering Committee, at [pamdaly@cablespeed.com](mailto:pamdaly@cablespeed.com) or by phone at 379-6679.

**NOTE:** All cash goes to the designated organization unless you use a QUUF envelope found at the back of the sanctuary or carried by our ushers. Please make all checks payable to QUUF, using the memo line to indicate the recipients and amounts, e.g., designated organization, your QUUF pledge, or a QUUF contribution.

### **UPCOMING WINTER ALPS CLASSES**

More information and signup sheets are at the back of the sanctuary.

**“The Poetry of Emily Dickinson,”** Bruce Bode, Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m., and Fridays, Feb. 2-Mar. 30, 10 a.m.-12 noon.

NOTE: The Tuesday class, originally scheduled to start on Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> begins **Tuesday, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>** at 7 p.m. Books will be available after the service today and at the first class.

**“At The Root of This Longing: Reconciling a Spiritual Hunger and a Feminist Thirst,”** Robin Stemen, Thurs., Feb. 8-22, 7-9 p.m., and Friday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 9 – 11 a.m.

**“Intentional Communities: Condos, CoHousing, EcoVillages and Communes,”** Kees Kolff, Tuesdays, Feb. 6 and 20th, 7-9 p.m.  
(Note reduction of sessions).

**“Brain and Mind,”** Jim Oakland, Thurs., Mar. 1- 15, 3-5 p.m.