June 2023: Outlaw's Bridge Universalist Church Welcoming Congregation

The Bridge

You are encouraged to join us for 11:00 a.m. church services.

We continue to socially/physically distance, wear face coverings, and wash our hands as necessary.

Please stay health and safe!

June 4: "The Sweet June Days" – Jimmy Merritt.

June 11: "What About Evil?" – Reverend Brian Clougherty – In Susan Neiman's book, "Moral Clarity: A Guide for Grown-Up Idealists," she wrote, "Evil should be applied not to persons, but to actions...knowing how easily we can be drawn into evil must lead us to look for ways to understand it." So, I will explore ways to understand evil.

June 18: "From Moral Injury to Reparations: What's Love Got to Do with It?" – Dr. Dan McKanan – Keynote address from Convocation in May will be shown. Robert & Lisa Stolar will lead the service.

June 25: Services with Holly Becker.





Dates to Remember

June 8: Lunch at Johnny's Seafood; AUW meeting.

June 11: Covered-dish lunch and Board Meeting Following Services.

Quilting each Thursday at 10:00 a.m. unless otherwise announced.



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"BARELY THE DAY STARTED" CAITRIONA LOUGHREY

Barely the day started and...it's already six in the evening.

Barely arrived on Monday and, it's already Friday.

...and the month is already over.

...and the year is almost over.

...and already 40, 50 or 60 years of our lives have passed.

...and we realize that we lost our parents, friends.

And we realize it's too late to go back...

So...let's try, despite everything, to enjoy the remaining time...

Let's keep looking for activities that we like...

Let's put some color in our grey...

Let's smile at the little things in life that put balm in our hearts.

And despite everything, we must continue to enjoy with serenity this time we have left.

Let's try to eliminate the afters...

I'm doing it after...

I'll say after...

I'll think about it after...

We leave everything for later like "after" is ours.

Because what we don't understand is that:

Afterwards, the coffee gets cold...

Afterwards, priorities change...

Afterwards, the charm is broken...

Afterwards, health passes...

Afterwards, the kids grow up...

Afterwards, parents get old...

Afterwards, promises are forgotten...

Afterwards, the day becomes the night...

Afterwards life ends...

And then it's often too late...

So...Let's leave nothing for later...

Because still waiting to see you later, we can lose the best moments,

The best experiences, best friends, the best family...

The day is today...the moment is now...