

## Services

1st & 3rd Sundays

Potluck follows 1st

Brown Bag Option 3rd

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### Schedule

June 2

"The Inward Journey:
A Conversation with
Howard Thurman"
Guest:
Sana DelCorazón

Regular services resume in September!



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## June 2024 Newsletter

#### Nora Unitarian Universalist Church

#### Unity

A Ultimately it will be the small things that unite us: how sweet this air is that we are breathing together, or how magnificent the arch of these maples shaking their papery leaves.

How beautiful it is that our eyes see the

sun set like treasure into the horizon day after day. How tenderly the bees tongue the flowers. How simple it could be for small acts of caring to

How simple it could be for small acts of caring to be spread upon the bread of unity like honey made from wild clover growing in the lawn of our hearts.

— by Jennifer Pratt-Walter

#### June Service

## June 2 "The Inward Journey: A Conversation with Howard Thurman"

Sana DelCorazón (she/they) is the queer daughter of Puerto Rican migrants who grew up Pentecostal (Assemblies of God) in Philadelphia, PA. Sana recently graduated from United Theological Seminary in the Twin Cities with a Master's in Divinity. She is a trained clinical social worker, spiritual director/companion, life coach, writer, community organizer, PTO president, perpetual student and lover of life. Sana wants to help build progressive faith communities that radically welcome and center LGBTQ+ people of color and other folks on the margins of society. She is interested in the evolution of the church and the intersection of racial justice, queer theology, trauma-informed ministry, reconciliation, and the beloved community. They are currently working on their Master's thesis on Howard Thurman and his concept of the "common ground." She, her spouse Gina, their young child, and cat Pickles and dog Charlie reside in South Minneapolis.

#### June Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be Wednesday, June 19, 7:00 pm on Zoom.

#### In Memorium

Scott A. Chambard, age 68, of Hanska, died Thursday, May 16, 2024 at the Oaklawn Rehabilitation Center in Mankato.

A funeral service will be at 2pm on Saturday, June 1, 2024, at the Nora Unitarian-Universalist Church in Hanska, with Reverend Laurie Bushbaum officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Pisqua Cemetery with full military honors provided by the New Ulm Area Comrades of Valor Honor Guard.

Visitation will be held from 4-6pm on Friday, May 31, 2024, at the Minnesota Valley Funeral Home – South Chapel in New Ulm and will continue Saturday from 1-2pm, at Nora Church prior to the service.

#### Obituary link

#### Annual Congregational Meeting

The annual meeting of Nora Unitarian Universalist Church will take place at approximately 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 2nd, 2024. At that time the congregation will vote to approve a budget for the 2023/2024 church year, and undertake other business as set forth in the agenda or proposed from the floor.

#### Nominating Committee Report

No board members are changing at this time. The committee thanks everyone for the service to the board.

#### Mt. Pisqua Annual Meeting

Mt. Pisqua cemetery association will have its annual meeting after Nora Church's annual meeting on Sunday, June 2nd.

We will need to adopt by-laws and elect officers.



# In Memorium Scott Alon Chambard

January 18, 1956—May 16, 2024

A Note From the Treasurer

#### Income and Expenses

April Income: \$27,389.00 April Expense: \$1,935.07

Income/expenses presented at the last board meeting(s). Income doesn't include memorials/gifts.

#### Notes from the Nora Office...

The next Mere Lys newsletter will be September. Summer updates will be sent on Grapevines.

Please send content of any kind, for the Mere Lys, grapevines etc. to the Nora email

Summer hours will be less, with a deposit made each month and 1-2 times in the office and most work from home. No set in-office hours. I can be contacted through the Nora email. If you need to get ahold of me directly, or quickly, please connect with Sally.

Brooke Knisley, Office Assistant