

THURSDAY, APRIL 15TH, 2021



Dr. La Verne Ford Wimberly, an 82-year-old retired principal from Tulsa, Oklahoma, has continued to dress up in her Sunday best while attending church services that have been held virtually over the past year.

Dear Ones,

On Monday night, Muslims around the world began Ramadan, fasting from sunrise to sunset for an entire month. Imam Hersed Noah, a board member of Faith in Public Life, describes Ramadan as a time when he places himself in solidarity with all other Muslims, hungering for justice, growing closer to Allah, and waiting for the joy that comes with breaking fast. To all our Muslim friends, *Ramadan Mubarak!*

Have you been enjoying the virtual coffee hour in breakout rooms after the Sunday service? A couple of thoughts:

Know that you can just pop in to say hello. If you're shy, you don't have to talk if you don't want to!

It might be nice to try inviting everyone who'd like to speak to share a rose, a thorn, and a bud from over the past week or so. A rose would be a highlight; a thorn would be a challenge or something with which you'd like some support; a bud would be a new idea or something exciting coming up. My suggestion is that there be no "cross talk" until everyone has shared and that, as always, we are mindful of our "air time" so everyone has the opportunity to speak.

As you know, Breakout Room 1 is for newcomers to visit with some longtimers. We can easily create other breakout rooms dedicated to specific topics. Please let me know if you have ideas!

This Sunday, Yulia Yun opens the service on piano with *Unwritten*, *Flashdance*, and *Still Feel*; Hana Omori sings *Rise Up* and *Unwritten*; Mark David Buckles and Julie Metcalf sing *Your Life is Now, I Lived*, and *I Am Willing*; and Yulia closes the service with *We Are the Champions*. Tech Team lead Art Nava steps out from behind the control center and serves as Worship Coordinator! Rev. Beth's sermon is called Reviving Eros.

Another reminder that Nuns'n'Fun is just around the corner! In just over a week, on Saturday, April 24th, the fabulous Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence (yes, gay men dressed as nuns) will host an evening of fun and fundraising with bingo, a raffle, fabulous prizes, and live entertainment! Get your tickets [here!](#)***

This week, the prompt at our Wednesday tea party was, What would you outsource if you could? Here are our answers: all the tasks of a 1950s housewife, angst/anxiety, bill paying, cooking, countering homophobia, dating, decision making, doing the right thing, driving, eating, editing, factchecking "news" sources, going to doctors appointments, housecleaning (dishes, dusting), organizing, paperwork, passing Senator Elizabeth Warren's Anti-Corruption and Public Integrity Act, rehab, sleeping, talking with difficult relatives, taxes, waiting, and watering the garden. Any takers?!

*Faithfully yours, with love,
Kim*

*** Thanks to Eleanor Nettleton, who shared [this beautiful article](#) about a chapter of the Sisters north of San Francisco



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