ENGAGE! Sprint to the Finish 10/28/2020
A Wild Goose Festival Community event
Chat Transcript

00:17:33 Sandra Kerr-Porcari: Please mute yourself so that we can view the speaker.
Thanks!

00:17:41 Nicole Eanes: Please keep videos off and mics muted.

00:17:44 Jaron Terry: Thank you!

00:20:53 Jaron Terry: What a beautiful moment of truth!!!!

00:21:34 Jaron Terry: Yes!!! How We Sleep At Night!

00:22:36 Nicole Eanes: what a wonderful introduction!!!

00:23:02 Cath Sparks: Isn't that TRULY the *spirit* of adoption described in our faith traditions? As an adoptive and surrogate mom and grandmom, I can tell you, IT IS!

00:26:55 Cath Sparks: #bidenharris ethos is supportive of our humanity, and the Divine—isn't that just oozing out of Joe and Kamala?

00:27:25 Amber Jensen: #BidenHarris2020ToSaveAmerica

00:32:22 Amber Jensen: yaassss! have your own mind!!!

00:32:57 Jaron Terry: You, Äöve always led with authenticity, Jamie!

00:33:13 Robin Schuster: No more checking brains at the door! Love you ladies!

00:33:20 Jeff Clark: Yes!!!!!

00:33:21 Nicole Eanes: YES JAMIE!!!!!

00:33:32 Amber Jensen: Jamie thank you for your transparency and leadership!

00:34:11 Nicole Eanes: activism as a lifestyle not an identity!

00:34:19 Dirk van der Duim: Amen!

00:34:21 Sandy LaFave: No more complacency. Speak our minds.

00:34:27 Amber Jensen: Nicole I agree!!

00:35:23 Amber Jensen: yes, we as a nation have secrets as to our prejudices and etc. This is why the visibility of Sara, Äö's work is SO so important.

00:35:45 Nikki Smith: INHERENT WORTHINESS. This.

00:36:43 Nicole Eanes: heal yourself, heal the world. It all starts with the internal, unearthing work Shawna was talking about!

00:36:53 valerie izumi: yes exactly, Shawna! apply that rule to our country and unearth all of the secrets and damage from the past to present; then do the hard work that needs to be done. thank you.
Jaron Terry: Jamie and Sara - thank you for your transparency and leadership!

Dirk van der Duim: We need to be honest about both our failings and our deep worth. I'm so grateful for 12-step folks who have learned how to get honest, and help create that space for honesty for others.

Amber Jensen: I love this conversation!

Jeff Clark: I'm standing and quietly applauding right now.

Shelley O'Connor: It's about liberating marginalized people, not just being liberal or nice.

Cath Sparks: No leaving people behind. No "untouchables". A place for everyone at the table. My 3 black kids and the brown and black 7/9 of my grandkids should have the same SAFETY and OPPORTUNITIES as my 2 white grandkids. We must stand up for those being overlooked and left behind!

Nicole Eanes: right, shelley - it's the actions we take not just the ideals we have.

Nicole Eanes: thank you so much, Jamie!

Dirk van der Duim: Jamie Lee - thank you for your presence here and your passion!

Lisa Dagher: Thank you, Jamie! Yes!

Shelley O'Connor: LOVE you Jamie Lee!!!!

Cath Sparks: What can we do to get the movie made?

Susan Schaefer: I have always admired your authenticity, Jamie Lee. I remember the Redbook photo spread where you identified with real women. And as a recovering alcoholic, I appreciate your own recovery..

Jamie Bray: thank you so much Jamie, Sara, and Shawna. Biden harris

Shelley O'Connor: LOL, love you Sara.... you rock!!!

Jaron Terry: Love this so much!

Susan Schaefer: And Sara, I look forward to, Äºgetting to know you, Äº from your book and a future movie. Thank you for your courage to stand up to your conservative evangelical church. It, Äºs hard to stand apart from your community.

Amber Jensen: yes ask friends!
Mia Mone Garcia: you could also look up progressive voting cheat sheets, for your state! Judges are very important.

Nicole Eanes: oh, I love that Mia! Cheat sheets are so easy and needed!

Mia Mone Garcia: yes! It, #s like the Spark Notes for voting ;)

Darlene Van Dyke: Sample ballots were available at the poll here.

Nicole Eanes: Yes Darlene!!!!

Nikki Smith: Vote411.org

Amber Jensen: I, #m CD3 Chairwoman of the Oklahoma Democratic Party. I am a resource to many many people. I understand legalese and can help folks understand what they, #re reading.

Lilli Lindbeck: If you are holding an absentee ballot, please drop it in an official drop box, because some states (like GA) require the ballot to be RECEIVED by Nov 3rd--there is not sufficient time now to be received by mail.

Cody Burton: We used Ballotpedia when we filled out our ballots. So helpful!

Nancy Coleman: https://www.isba.org/judicialevaluations

Nikki Smith: Also - LWV (League of Women Voters) is a non-partisan resource. Seek your local LWV out!

Cath Sparks: Cheat sheets! That's GOLD! Go to local, state, and national groups you trust, and see who they're partnering with, endorsing, etc.. That can revolve around an issue you're passionate about---death penalty, LGBTQ equality and allyship, gun control, or whatever is on your heart and mind. Your vote matters!

Amber Jensen: if your voting booth or voting area is being harassed or if you, #re being held away from voting, look up your state, #s voter protection hotline and call it. Call your state election board or county election board.

Sandy LaFave: Sara, you need to send in that ballot right now!

Nikki Smith: Lots of great info here: https://wildgoosefestival.org/engage/

Nicole Eanes: Yes Nikki! Tons of good resources on how to get involved through the election!!

Katrina Kalb she/her/hers: This close to the election, most everyone has already voted or at least already decided. Who is left to push or challenge
to vote? I believe it, Åôs Christians who need to know which candidate is actually Christ like.

00:51:14 sharon bowman: they said on tonight's news that it's too late to mail ballots in. You must hand deliver at this point . . . .

00:52:06 Sandy LaFave: Yes, but if at a distance and can, Åôt deliver by hand, send it now!

00:52:51 Nicole Eanes: Reminder: a lot of mail-in ballots needed to be mailed in last week. (check your state, Åôs requirements) To ensure your vote is cast, take it to a drop-off location/box!

00:53:02 Diana Boseman: Giving Free Mom Hugs is one of the most powerful things I have ever done.

00:53:15 Sandy LaFave: Yes, we are a movement thanks to Sara!

00:53:29 Nikki Smith: A. Movement. (!!!!!)

00:54:07 Mary McKinney: This is profound. This is humanity at its best. Thank yall

00:54:08 Mary McKinney: "It makes me tremble!" Indeed! Thank you!

00:54:38 Mary McKinney: Stories shatter stigma and change hearts and minds!

00:55:07 Cath Sparks: Amen!

00:55:17 Jamie Bray: i agree Mary. we should share our stories more.

00:56:41 Dirk van der Duim: Amen!

00:57:29 Robin Schuster: Definitely not alone. Wonderful people and community discovered in the last few years.

00:58:06 Jodi Johnson: You never know what's bubbling under the surface. Maybe you WILL see some change. I just heard today Texas may be an up in the air state this time around!

00:58:12 Nancy Coleman: local elected officials and judges are also on ballot-not just president.

00:58:12 Robin Schuster: Is there an approximate timeframe for completion and release of the movie?

00:58:19 Lilli Lindbeck: PEOPLE WERE BEATEN, TORTURED AND DIED TO GIVE US THE VOTE--and we're not going to exercise it. really???

00:58:27 Jeff Clark: National total vote will make a difference in the perception of victory. My vote won't change Tennessee but my vote adds to the total nationally.
Nathan Brasfield: Voting is a symbolic, meaningful gesture apart from the final math.

Shelley O’Connor: We can have purposeful conversations with people around us about breaking down stereotypes, valuing minorities and working with legislators to change policies.

Cath Sparks: Still, voting progressive moves the ball down the field. A decade ago, there was an 18-point difference in Texas, in the favor of the Right—now it's a toss-up.

Dirk van der Duim: Also, down-ballot elections are very important. Local leaders become state leaders, who become national leaders.

Terry Gonda: Our psyche knows whether we vote or not or whether we participate. When we choose to validate that we don’t have a voice, that has an impact on us. That has consequences showing up at the ballot box is a right and a duty and I am saying to myself that I matter. It doesn’t matter to anyone else. Practicing exercising that muscle for voting each time is a matter of self integrity and we really don’t know exactly when it’s going to matter and when it’s not. Because there are many different elections and things on the ballot that may need attention. By showing up we respect ourselves and that really matters.

Cath Sparks: Jeff, our TN votes matter, indeed!

Shelley O’Connor: There is a bigger plan…. God’s got this...

Jeff Clark: See the video piece called Otis’ Dream (available on Facebook) created by Otis Moss III and features his father. It’s the story of his grandfather ATTEMPTING to vote in Georgia - to honor those for whom the vote is such a challenge - VOTE.

Nicole Eanes: https://wildgoosefestival.org/engage/

Jodi Johnson: Thank you all so much!

Amber Jensen: thank you so much!!

Mary McKinney: THANK YOU

Janis LeMieux: Thank you for this event!!!

valerie izumi: thank you so much

Jeff Clark: Thanks Shawna - Thanks Sara. I LOVE YOU WILD GOOSE!

Dirk van der Duim: Thank you, Sara, Shawna, and Nicole!
01:01:48  Susan Schaefer:  Thanks!
01:01:48  Nancy Coleman:  thanks!
01:01:51  Nikki Smith:  Thank to all of you!!
01:01:53  Lisa Williams:  thank you
01:01:57  Dirk van der Duim:  See you there, Sara!