

Dear Friends,

Here is what you need to participate in the streamed service on Sunday, July 12, 2020:

# Link for Sunday Worship: https://tinyurl.com/WUSworship

## PDF of Order-of-Service and Religious Education Materials: [link]

#### Please read to the end of this message.

## GETTING READY FOR SUNDAY

- If you are unfamiliar with Zoom, become acquainted with the technology:
  - Click on the Zoom link at least 15 minutes before you plan to use it the first time. This will prompt an app to download onto your device. You may use a laptop, tablet, desktop or smartphone.
  - You will then be asked whether you wish to join the "meeting" with your device audio and device camera.
    - If you do not want others to see what color pajamas you are wearing at that moment, you can join without activating your camera. Remember: If your camera is on, people can see you...
    - Throughout the service, all participants besides the worship leaders will be muted to prevent background noises (barking dogs, ringing phones, etc.) from being included in the worship service. We will "chat" through typing in the chat function during the community greeting and immediately after worship. As some find chat notifications distracting, please only communicate via the chat during the community greeting and beginning of coffee hour. The groups will be formed at random by the Zoom program.
  - Steps to begin using Zoom are illustrated in this short instructional video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/embed/vFhAEoCF7jg?</u>

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- Gather materials you may want on hand to participate at home:
  - A chalice and a small candle so you can light the chalice when we do. If you do not have a chalice, a candle in a small bowl would work.
  - A second candle (or a few more candles) for "Kindling of the Light"
  - Have your preferred refreshments and hot beverages ready in your kitchen to enjoy during "coffee hour" after worship.
  - Print out the order-of-service and/or the RE packet
- Determine how you wish to contribute to the offering:
  - Give+ app on your smartphone. Here is a short tutorial: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PAjqUxK8YRk</u>
  - Through your PayPal account, send your contribution to [WUS PayPal link]
  - Mail a check to the WUS office: 478 Main Street, Winchester, MA 01890
- To make sure you can hear everything
  - You may wish to use ear/headphones with your device so the sound goes directly into your ears.

#### COMMUNITY NEWS

- Holding a Survivor of Hate in Love: This past week, a young Unitarian Universalist woman, Althea Bernstein, was the target of a hate crime by three white men in her hometown of Madison, WI. She sustained second- and third-degree burns in the attack. You may learn more here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/WPRarticle">https://tinyurl.com/WPRarticle</a>
  - Ms. Bernstein requests that she and her family not receive financial support but invites us to contribute to two causes if we wish to invest in her healing:
    - Paws and Reflect Farm: https://www.gofundme.com/f/Paws-and-Reflect
    - Boys & Girls Club of Dane County: <u>https://www.bgcdc.org/</u>
  - Cards can be sent to: Althea Bernstein/ c/o FUS, 900 University Bay Dr, Madison, WI 53705
  - Rev. Heather has already made donations from the Discretionary Fund and will be sending a small gift towards her on-going healing. However you pray, please hold Ms. Bernstein and her family in your heart in this time.
- Welcome to Our Summer Co-Ministers! (From July 1-August 31st) Rev. Heather will be on vacation and sabbatical in July and on study leave in August WUS has a tradition of welcoming a part-time minister for July and August while the Settled Minister is away for vacation and study leave. This year, we are fortunate to welcome back two familiar faces who will be sharing the role. Kye Flannery will be the minister for Sunday services and Marianne DiBlasi will be on-call for pastoral care. Both are available to officiate memorial services should the need arise. Kye can be reached at Kye@winchesteruu.org and Marianne can be reached at Marianne@winchesteruu.org If you or someone you know in the congregation is in need of pastoral care between July 1 and August 31st, please call the office at 781.729.0949 and they will forward the information to either the Pastoral Care Associates or Marianne.
- Summer Service Assistance Needed Things are falling into place for our summer worship services. However, the on-line format warrants different kinds of volunteers than usual. We are looking for:
  - Video Editors: Each recording benefits from a little lighting adjustment, re-centering or trimming on the ends to cut out the eternal question "Is this on?" As summer services will continue to include a mix of live and recorded elements, we are looking for people to "clean up" videos in advance. There is a free, easy-to-use video editing program that makes this possible.
  - Video Coordinators: Prep videos for use in a given service then screen share, press "play" and "stop" at the right time. That's it! Coordinators will need to participate in a rehearsal before worship.
  - Tech Support: We have four members who have been assisting people with the Zoom
    program but can always use more. Many of us are growing in Zoom fluency! If you are
    fluent enough to help another along the way, nimble enough to eject any "zoombombers"
    who decide to parachute into the service and attentive enough to track logon "attendance"

we would love to add you to the list. If interested, contact Rev. Heather at <a href="https://org.org">office@winchesteruu.org</a>

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