

## Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, November 14th, 2021  
November's Theme is "Holding History"

### Centering Thought

"If they don't give you a seat at the table, bring a folding chair"-- Shirley Chisholm

### Gathering Music

John Kramer

### Invitation to Greeting

The Rev. Heather Janules

*Note that during this time, the congregation will be briefly visible in the livestream. If you do not want to be seen, please sit in the back pews, marked accordingly.*

**Ringing of the Bell** *We are called back to worship by the ringing of the bell from our Partner Church in Marosvásárhely, Transylvania*

### Community Welcome and Announcements

Peter McEntee

### Invocation

by Arlen Goff (Adapted)

Heather Janules

### First Reflection and Chalice Lighting

"Croissants Over Donuts"

Heather Janules

Chalice Lighting Dedication by Rebekah Savage (Abridged)

Kindled by Patty Shepard,

Member of the Racial Justice Planning Group

### Hymn #95 \*

*There is More Love Somewhere*

### Meditation

### Kindling of the Light

*Madrigal Divine*, Nathaniel Dett

*For those in the Sanctuary, if you would like a candle brought to you, please raise your hand.*

### Silence

### Anthem

*Grant Us Peace*, Composer

### Second Reflection

"Looking Back: Winchester, Integration and Creating Change"

Heather Janules

**Third Reflection** *More Than a Folding Chair: How Winchester A Better Chance Offers Students of Color a Seat at the Table--A Story of 50 Years of Progress*

Amanda Lewis,

Director of Student Life, Winchester ABC

### Offering

Heather Janules

This morning, we share our gifts with **Winchester A Better Chance**, a local nonprofit organization providing academically talented scholars-of-color with expanded educational and career opportunities. To amplify our support for Winchester ABC and its mission, **Rev. Heather will match our Share the Plate gift, up to \$500, from the Minister's Discretionary Fund.** Please send Share the Plate contributions for this Sunday to the WUS office by November 24<sup>th</sup>.

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

Those in the sanctuary are also welcome to donate electronically. **Text (781) 230-6690** or visit <https://www.winchesteruu.org/giving/how-to-give/> Please write or type the date of your offering in the memo line or comment field. Note that contributing soon in lieu of one lump sum for a period of time is easier to process and empowers us to send our collective gift as soon as possible.

### Offertory

*Out of the Silence*, William Grant Still

**Affirmation of Shared Ministry** *Those who wish to do so are invited to join in the unison Affirmation.*

We gather not for ourselves alone, but to use our common power to build the Beloved Community within and beyond these walls.

We create and reaffirm this covenant this day - to make justice flourish, to practice compassion amidst difference and to embody transformative love.

### Benediction

by Kathy Huff

Peter McEntee

### Postlude

*Impromptu No. 3*, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

### Extinguishing the Chalice

*Please read together the words for extinguishing the chalice*

We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth, the warmth of community or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

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Please join us for Fall Fest in Metcalf Hall and the  
Mystic Valley Parking Lot immediately after the service.

Livestreaming attendees are welcome to join Virtual Social Hour  
by logging on to [www.tinyurl.com/WUSworship](http://www.tinyurl.com/WUSworship)

### Serving Today

The Rev. Heather Janules, Minister · Stephen Perepeluk, Worship Associate  
John Kramer, Director of Music · Sean Yun, Livestream Coordinator

Ushers and Greeters: Deb Eiler, Vicky Coccoluto, Sara Delano, Kim Foley

The Sunday Pastoral Care Associate is available to those wanting to share a personal concern  
with an attentive listener. Today's PCA is Kim Foley - 339-227-0216

### Music Notes

Our Anthem today is presented with respect to Veteran's Day, which was observed this past week. While we honor the service of our military, we also pray for a day of peace between all peoples. ♦ *Madrigal Divine* is the last in a set of *Eight Biblical Vignettes* by the composer Nathaniel Dett, written just before his death in 1943. It is an instrumental setting of Psalm 23, *The Lord is My Shepherd*. ♦ Known as the "Dean of African American composers", William Grant Still wrote his *Seven Traceries* in 1940 after a meditation, having returned from the inexplicable place where the Soul meets its ultimate Source. *Out of the Silence* is the fourth piece in this collection. ♦ Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912) was an English composer and is named after the poet Samuel Taylor Coleridge. His father was from Sierra Leone and met his mother while studying medicine in London. The *Three Impromptus* were first published in 1911 for organ but are widely available in the piano transcription.

*As part of our commitment to racial justice, each worship service includes wisdom or  
an artistic gift from people or communities-of-color.*