Welcome to Worship! Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, April 14, 2024 April's Theme is "Interdependence"

Livestream Attendees: To notify our Tech Deck of a broadcast issue, email <u>checkingin@winchesteruu.org</u> or call the WUS Office - 781.729.0949

Centering Thought

"Our goal should be to live life in radical amazement... get up in the morning and look at the world in a way that takes nothing for granted. Everything is phenomenal; everything is incredible; never treat life casually. To be spiritual is to be amazed."

-Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel

Gathering Music

Invitation to Greeting

The Rev. Heather Janules

Barry Singer

In person attendees: Note that 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. Livestreamers: Please let us know who you are and what's on your mind by sending an email to checkingin@winchesteruu.org

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

•	ome and Announcements wwweekly announcements at WUShappenings	Peter McEntee
Invocation	By William Martin (Adapted)	Stephen Perepeluk
Chalice Lighting	By Maria Popova	Lit by Deb Walsh

*Please rise in body or in spirit

*Hymn #38	Morning Has Broken	Gray Hymnal		
First Reflection	Awesome!	Brenna Mayer		
BlessingThe Light WithinJohn KramerAs children and teachers leave for Religious Education, the community isinvited to sing them on their way!				
May the light within you shine before you, everyday, everyday. May the light within you shine before you, guide your way, guide your way. May the love we share surround you and chase your fears away. May the light within you shine before you, this we pray, this we pray.				
Meditation	"Dead Stars" by Ada Limón	Heather Janules		
Kindling of the LightPrelude in C major, J.S. BachFor those in the Sanctuary, if you would like a candle brought to you, pleaseraise your hand.				
Silence				
Hymn #142 Please remain seatea	Let There Be Light	Gray Hymnal		
Reading "You Be Glad at that Star" by Clarke Wells Heather Janules				
Anthem	<i>Earth Song,</i> Frank Tichelli	WUS Adult Choir		
Second Reflection	"Awe"	Stephen Perepeluk		
Offering		Peter McEntee		

This morning, we share our gifts with the Massachusetts Chapter of the **International Dark-Sky Association**, a non-profit organization working to address light pollution and protect the night skies for present and future generations.

Those in the sanctuary are also welcome to donate electronically. **Text GIVE to (781) 230-6690** or visit <u>www.tinyurl.com/wusgiveonline</u>

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

Arioso, J.S. Bach Steve Forcucci, guitar and Tyson Kamikawa, saxophone

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.

*Hymn #139	Wonders Still the World Shall Witnes	ss Gray Hymnal	
Benediction	By Nick Cave (Adapted)	Stephen Perepeluk	
Postlude	What A Wonderful World, Theile/Weiss		

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.

Flower Dedication: In celebration of Dawn Kelley Bartlett's birthday, given by her family with love in perpetuity

Serving Today

<u>Ushers and Greeters</u>: Rebecca Keller, John Keller, Alison Kirchgasser and Nancy Scott Newhouse

The Sunday Pastoral Care Associate is available to those wanting to share a personal concern with an attentive listener. Today's PCA is Donna Reed @ 781-626-1785 or at the pew closest to the candle table immediately after the service

Barry Singer, Guest Director of Music ♦ Stephen Perepeluk, Worship Leader
♦ The Rev. Heather Janules and Peter McEntee, Worship Associates ♦
Brenna Mayer, Children's Religious Education Coordinator ♦
Jay Kwan, Livestream Coordinator

WUS Standing Committee (Governing Board) Members

Dennis Brett, Vicky Coccoluto, Chuck Khuen, Liz Lintz (Clerk,) Gordy McIntosh (Co-Chair,) Claire McNeill, Fritzie Nace, Martin Newhouse (Co-Chair,) Stephen Perepeluk, Brad Steele (Treasurer) and Marcy Tompson Contact your Standing Committee via **SC@winchesteruu.org**

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

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