

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 checkingin@winchesteruu.org 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

Barry Singer

Invitation to Greeting

The Rev. Heather Janules

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*

Community Welcome and Announcements

Peter McEntee

You may also review weekly announcements at www.tinyurl.com/WUShappenings

Invocation

By William Martin (Adapted)

Stephen Perepeluk

Chalice Lighting

By Maria Popova

Lit by Deb Walsh

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

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

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 Witness* 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

Ushers and Greeters: 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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