

Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, Nov. 16th, 2025

November's Theme is Nurturing Gratitude

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

“The important thing is not to stop questioning. Curiosity has its own reason for existing. One cannot help but be in awe when he contemplates the mysteries of eternity, of life, of the marvelous structure of reality. It is enough if one tries merely to comprehend a little of this mystery every day. Never lose a holy curiosity.” — Albert Einstein

Gathering Music

John Kramer

Invitation to Greeting

Rev. Seth Carrier-Ladd

*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***

Ringling of the Bell

Community Welcome and Announcements

Marcy Tompson

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

Invocation

“Welcome To This Place” by Cathy Rion Starr

Chalice Lighting

***Hymn #128**

For All That Is Our Life

Gray Hymnal

Neighboring Faiths: Presentation of Books

First Reflection

“The Invisible Web” by Patrice Karst

Sam Wilson

Blessing

The Light Within, John Kramer

As children and teachers leave for Religious Education, the community is invited 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

“We Lift Our Hearts in Gratitude”

adapted from Philip Randall Giles

Kindling of the Light

Gratitude, Edvard Grieg

This is the time in our service where we light a candle for a joy or a sorrow that is sitting on our heart. For those in the Sanctuary, if you would like a candle brought to you, please raise your hand.

Silence

Hymn #1059

May Your Life Be As Song

Teal Hymnal

Please remain seated

Reading

“Gratitude Circle” by Jane E Mauldin

Anthem

Hallelujah, Trad. South African, arr. John Kramer

WUS Adult Choir

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Offering

This week, Share the Plate, will be allocated to buying additional **Thanksgiving food baskets**. These baskets help needy families celebrate Thanksgiving with a bountiful meal. Stop and Shop will fill the boxes with the funds from Share the Plate, and they will be delivered to the Council of Social Concern who will distribute the meals to families.

Those in the sanctuary are also welcome to donate electronically. Text **GIVE to (781) 230-6690**, used the QR Code or visit www.tinyurl.com/wusgiveonline Please write or type the date of your offering in the memo line or comment field.



Offertory

Grateful, John Bucchino

Rob Woodin, baritone

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 #1010

We Give Thanks

Teal Hymnal

Benediction

Postlude

Gratitude, Eric Reed

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

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.

Serving Today

Ushers: Patty Cameron & Phil Coonley

Greeters: Marilyn Mullane & Patrick Draine

The Sunday Pastoral Care Associate is available to those wanting to share a personal concern with an attentive listener.

Today's PCA is Vicky Coccoluto 781-729-9313
or at the pew closest to the candle table
immediately after the service

Rev. Seth Carrier-Ladd, *Interim Minister* ♦ John Kramer, *Director of Music* ♦
Marcy Tompson, *Worship Associate* ♦ Sam Wilson, *Director of Youth and
Children's Ministries* ♦ Brenna Mayer, *Children's Religious Education
Coordinator* ♦ Jason Tran, *Livestream Coordinator*

WUS Standing Committee (Governing Board) Members

Gordy McIntosh (Chair), Kim Foley (Vice Chair), John Keller,
Chuck Khuen, Ryan Levering, Sheila Puffer, Liz Scott, Marcy Tompson,
Matt Wilson, Ginger Hanson (Clerk), and Judy Murray (Treasurer)
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.*