

Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, March 29th
March's Theme is "Paying Attention"

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 struggle of today is not altogether for today
– it is for a vast future also." - Abraham Lincoln*

Gathering Music

John Kramer

Invitation to Greeting

Ivan Correia

*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

Community Welcome and Announcements

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

Invocation

"Collapse and Begin"

Rev. Mary Margaret Earl

Chalice Lighting

Lit by Alice Levering

*Hymn #1

May Nothing Evil Cross this Door

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

First Reflection*Helpful Starfish*

Brenna Mayer

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**Kindling of the Light***Adagio, Florence Price*

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**Centering Hymn**

Please remain seated

Reading*“The Demon of Unrest” by Erik Larson***Musical Interlude***The Morning Opens, Jennifer Higdon*

Calin Smith

Second Reflection

*Grounded: Staying on course during
turbulent times*

Rev. Mary Margaret Earl

The Share The Plate today is **Sowing Opportunities**. Sowing Opportunities is building agricultural capacity, resources, and leadership in remote indigenous villages and public primary schools in Guatemala. The organization is providing the resources for destitute villages and schools in Eastern Alta Verapaz, Guatemala for the cultivation of their land in greenhouse agriculture, which is helping them to become food secure, gain a trade, have regular school lunches, have a budding economy, and this serves as a deterrent for making the dangerous and uncertain journey north.

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***After, Amy Beach***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.

HymnWoyaya*

*We are going, heaven knows where we are going
But we'll know we're there*

*And we will get there, heaven knows how we will get there
But we know we will*

*It will be hard, we know and the road will be muddy and rough
But we'll get there, heaven knows how we will get there
We know we will.*

Woyaya, woyaya.....(Repeat)

Benediction

Postlude *Time and Time Again*, Marian McPartland

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: Joe & Deb Eiler

Greeters: Gordy McIntosh & Brett Mulder

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

Today's PCA is Lee Barton 603-845-8767

Your PCA will be sitting at the pew closest to the candle table immediately after the service.

Rev. Mary Margaret Earl, *Guest Minister* ♦ John Kramer, *Music Director* ♦
Ivan Correia, *Worship Associate* ♦ Sam Wilson, *Director of Youth and Children's Ministries* ♦ Brenna Mayer, *Children's Religious Education Coordinator* ♦
Jason Tran, *Livestream Coordinator*

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Gordy McIntosh (Chair), Kim Foley (Vice Chair), John Keller, Chuck Khuen,

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