

Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, June 7, 2026

June's Theme is "Flourishing Together"

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

"An authentic life is the most personal form of worship.

Everyday life has become my prayer."

- Sarah Ban Breathnach

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

Liz Lintz

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

Invocation

"Wholeness" by Sharon Wylie

Chalice Lighting

Lit by Otto Spencer

*Hymn #118

This Little Light of Mine

Gray Hymnal

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

First Reflection

Come Out!

Brenna Mayer

Teacher Appreciation Ceremony

Brenna Mayer & 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

“Any Other Questions?” by Victoria Safford

Kindling of the Light

Wind Song, Patricia Barber

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 #1053

How Could Anyone

Teal Hymnal

Please remain seated

Readings

“To be of use” by Marge Piercy

Anthem

Resting Place, Lindsay Foote, arr. J. Kramer

WUS Adult Choir

Second Reflection

“Every Day Matters”

Rev. Seth Carrier-Ladd

Offering

Our share-the-plate offering this Sunday is going to the **House of Peace**. Since its inception in 1990, the House of Peace has welcomed more than 500 refugees from 30 countries, including Haiti, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Iraq, Somalia, Sudan, and Syria. Most recently their work has focused on children from war-ravaged countries seeking surgeries and other medical care in Boston area hospitals for prostheses due to lost arms and legs and for treatment of extremely severe burns. They come for medical treatment in Boston and are hosted in a healing community in Ipswich. These treatments are life altering for the children and their 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

Chelsea Bridge, Billy Strayhorn

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

For Everyone Born

See Insert

Benediction

Postlude

Improvisation No. 7, Francis Poulenc

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 & Greeters: Sheila Rudolph-Correia,
Ramsey Railsback & Dave Fonseca

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* ♦
Liz Lintz, *Worship Associate* ♦ Sam Wilson, *Director of Youth and Children's
Ministries* ♦ Brenna Mayer, *Children's Religious Education Coordinator* ♦
Jay Kwan, *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.

Music Notes:

We are delighted to present Lindsay Foote's *Resting Place* as this morning's anthem. If you were at her concert in March you will remember this touching song closing her concert: "Could I be your resting place? Will you be my resting place?" ♦ Other music is by LGBTQ composers in honor of Pride Month: Patricia Barber (b.1955), the American jazz pianist and composer; Billy Strayhorn (1915-1967), the long-time collaborator of Duke Ellington; and the openly gay French composer Francis Poulenc (1899-1963).