



ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday, October 14, 2018

Believing in a community that unites all people

Pre-Service Quiet

Prelude

Chalice Lighting

Linda Morse

Welcome

Opening Words

Barry Brigham

* Opening Hymn #298 *Wake, Now My Senses*

Children's Collection

(Children are invited to attend the Religious Exploration Program following the collection)

Sending Song

*Go now in peace. Go now in peace.
May the Spirit of Love surround you.
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.*

Reading

 Except from *Art & Fear* by David Bayes and Ted Orland

Offertory

(Newcomers: please accept this service as our gift to you.
Do not feel obligated to participate in the offering at this time.
Please see information below on our new Text-to-Give service)

50/50 Collection

 to benefit Daybreak of Central MA

Joys & Sorrows

Pastoral Prayer

Responsive Reading

A Litany for Sufferers of Domestic Abuse

Reflection

When Life Imitates Art Rev. Aaron Payson

* Closing Hymn #1053 *How Could Anyone*

Benediction

Postlude

Announcements

* Please stand in body or in spirit

Text-to-Give - Without check or cash and want to participate in our weekly offering? From a smartphone text the amount of your contribution to 508-231-5335. First-time contributors will be asked for one-time registration information by Simplegive. Thank you for helping us continue to be a congregation of love, hope and justice!

SERVICE NOTES

Our thanks to these volunteers

Usher: Peter Green

Greeter: Kathy Cooper

Worship Associates:

Linda Morse & Barry Brigham

Fellowship Hour Sponsors:

Questing Year Class

UPCOMING SERVICES

Unless noted otherwise
*Preservice Quiet & Prelude at 9:50 am
Worship Service and RE Classes at 10 am
Fellowship at 11:15 am
Rev. Aaron Payson, Preaching*

October 21, 2018

Like Impassioned Clay

October 28, 2018

Worship Arts Sunday
Guest Speaker Matthew Johnsen

November 4, 2018

For All That Is Our Life

November 11, 2018

Veteran's Day Sunday
Warrior Spirits
50/50 Collection -
Keep Worcester Warm Fund

WELCOME VISITORS

Please come to Fellowship Hall following the service for coffee and an opportunity to learn more about our congregation.

FELLOWSHIP INFO

Please! *No food or drink in the sanctuary during the service.*

11:15 AM: fully-hosted coffee hour with snacks provided by a group at the church.

Please consider making a small donation to the coffee hour collection basket.

UUCW Activity Calendar ~ October 14 - 21

Sunday, October 14 - Worship Service and RE Classes at 10 am

12:30 - 2 pm Side with Love Task Force Sanctuary

Wednesday, October 17

6 - 8 pm Website Team Meeting Room 1

Thursday, October 18

6 - 8 pm MSPCC Training Fellowship Hall

Saturday, October 20

1 - 3 pm Shintaido Class Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 21 - Worship Service and RE Classes at 10 am

1 - 4 pm Social Threads Fellowship Hall



Walk. Give. Change the world.

SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, October 14

Join the UUCW Team

For the Holden CROP WALK



Regularly Scheduled UUCW Events

Board of Management

2nd Mon, 6 - 8 pm

Choir Rehearsal

Th, 7 - 8:30 PM

Sunday, 9 - 9:30 am

Evening Book Club

2nd Wed, 7 - 8:30 pm, Lounge

Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

3rd Sat, 10 am - noon, Fell Hall

Lunch W/Minister & Reader's Unite

1st Wed, Noon-2:15 pm, Lounge

Meditation Group

Mon, 9:30 - 11 am, Lounge

Men's Group

4th Fri, 7 - pm, Meeting Room 1

Refugee Ministry Team

Mon, 9:30 am - noon, MR3

SNAP Team

Wed, 10 am - noon, MR 2

Staff Meeting

Mon, 10 am - noon, DRE Office

Side With Love Task Force

E/O Sun, 11:45 am -1:45 pm, Sanctuary

Touchstones Small Group Ministry

E/O Tuesday, 7 - 8:30 pm, Lounge

Side of Love Task Force on Social Justice will meet after coffee hour on today in the sanctuary. After this harrowing week in Washington, it is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness. So come and be a spark to brighten our world! Don't agonize, ORGANIZE!!

Upcoming Events:

Please see most recent UUCW Message or our website for more info on these events:

October 14: *Holden CROP Walk*

October 21: *Social Threads Kickoff*

November 3: *Raising the Spirit Fundraiser*

Community Groups & Regular Renters

Al-Anon Adult Children

Thurs., 7:30 pm, Lounge

Alcoholics Anonymous

AA) Fri., 8 pm, MR 2

CentMA Lyme Support

2nd Sat 1 - 3 pm FH

Cerviatti Yoga

Mon, 6 - 8 pm, FH

Codependents Anon.

Tues, 7:30 pm, MR 1

Debtors Anonymous DA)

Tues., 7 pm, Lounge

Greater Worc. Humanists

2nd Tues, 6:30 pm F.Hall

GWH Steering Comm.

1st Mon 7 pm Fell. Hall

Jane Fund of Central MA

1st Mon 7 pm Lounge

Jericho Road Board

1st Wed 6 pm MR 3

MidMass Narcolepsy

EO/2nd Sat 11 am Lounge

Overeaters Anonymous

Sat., 7:30 am, Lounge

1st Sat, 8:45-10:15 am,
Meeting Room 3

WGLN Rainbow Lunch

2nd/4th Wed, 12 - 2 pm FH

S-Anon Group

Thur, 7 - 8:15 pm, MR 2

Worc. Animal Rescue Lg

EO/3rd Tues, 8- 10 am, FH

Worc Comm Drum Circle

4th Fri, 7:30 - 9:30 pm,
F.Hall

CONGREGATIONAL

MISSION STATEMENT

The members and friends of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Worcester covenant to be a congregation of love, hope and justice inspiring people to take on the challenges of a changing world.

WELCOMING CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Worcester strives to further the affirmation and celebration of LGBTQI individuals in all aspects of the church community. We also seek to increase the visibility of UUCW as a Welcoming Congregation within the greater community.

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION & EDUCATION

Sundays from Sept 24- June 10

Nursery Care: 9:50 - 11:15 in the Nursery

Religious Education: 10 - 11:15 am, meeting rooms

Youth Group: 6 - 8 pm, Fellowship Hall

For information on UUCW RE programs, please email the RE program at uucwre@gmail.com

TEXT ALERTS FROM UUCW

TEXT ALERTS from UUCW are now being offered. In case of cancellation of Worship/RE or other events, you can receive alerts on your smartphone. To sign up, text UUCWORCESTER to 84483. Please note that carrier SMS fees may apply.

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Office Hours: M, T, W: 9 am - 3 pm; Th: 9 am - 2 pm

A Litany for Sufferers of Domestic Abuse By Dennis McCarty

[In the] spirit of love, harmony, and remembrance, we stand too often divided, too often set apart from one another in heedless ways. We seek to be compassionate but our vision may be clouded or distracted. We too often go forward, day by day, and look without seeing.

MAY WE REACH OUT IN HONESTY AND LOVE

May we work to heal the divisions which separate earth's children, one from another. May we peer through the mists of deception which hide and deny violence, mists enclosing those who suffer. May we not allow the misuse of our fellow souls to hide in broad daylight.

MAY WE REACH OUT IN HONESTY AND LOVE

When we see the afflicted--however they may be afflicted--may we not shrink away. May we not blame suffering on the one who suffers. May we be courageous enough to perceive suffering and compassionate enough to attend to the voices of those who suffer.

MAY WE REACH OUT IN HONESTY AND LOVE

When we see prejudice, when we hear evil speaking, when we witness the rough hand or the scathing word laid upon the helpless or innocent, may we resolve to work toward unity and justice.

MAY WE REACH OUT IN HONESTY AND LOVE

May we not turn away from the wounded head of the abused. May we not accept the twisted reasoning by which the oppressor declares himself the victim.

MAY WE REACH OUT IN HONESTY AND LOVE

Let our gratitude for good fortune in our lives lead us not to complacency but to awareness, awareness of those whose lives are shadowed by abuse or neglect, May we not ignore signs of deceit or denial that hide brutality.

MAY WE REACH OUT IN HONESTY AND LOVE

In all things, may those who suffer ever be able to approach us: find a kindly ear and supporting hand. May we witness for love and justice at every level of relationship. May we nurture a keen eye and a strong and loving heart for any who fear the hurtful rod, the cutting voice, the uneven hand, the chain of oppression, great or small.

MAY WE REACH OUT IN HONESTY AND LOVE.

AMEN. BLESSED BE.