Sunday, July 6, 2025 Meet the Moment: Significant Impressions from General Assembly

Prelude Malaguena, Ernesto Lecuona

***Song of Gathering** STLT #347 Gather the Spirit

Welcome Teri Lukin, Board Member

Introduction of Guest Speakers Anne Pearl, Worship Associate

Invocation: from GA Opening Worship: Rev Dr. Omega Burckhardt

Chalice Lighting

Affirmation (in unison) Inspired by Love, Our mission is to Seek our true nature, Connect deeply and openly, and Act for justice.

Sing Out Loud, our newly released digital hymnal: *If there ain't room for me* - written and performed by Melissa Jeter

Singing the Children Out

(#413) Go Now in Peace (Children in attendance are invited to join our Religious Exploration program in the Fellowship Hall.)

Joys and Sorrows

General Assembly Exhibition Booth: Betsy Tomic

***Hymn:** STLT#1064, *Blue Boat Home*

Meet the Moment #1: What is the moment we are in?

Meet the Moment #2: What are the most urgent needs and important opportunities at this moment?

Meet the Moment #3: How do our UU values call us to respond to this moment?

Sharing our Abundance For the months of July and August, UUCHV will Share the Plate with the *UU Service Committee*.

The Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) is a nonprofit, nonsectarian organization advancing human rights together with an international community of grassroots partners and advocates.

Offertory *Summertime*, George Gershwin

Dedication of the Offering (in unison)

May these gifts, and the work of our hands and hearts, give power to all we stand for as a community of faith.

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Chalice Extinguishing (in unison)

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.

Benediction

Postlude When The Saints Go Marching In, Unknown

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Shared Ministry Today

Jane Podell and Betsy Tomic, Worship Leaders Anne Pearl, Worship Associate Dan Kader, Pianist Kyla Oliver, R.E. leader & Annabelle Goldman, R.E. assistant Greeters: Johann Heffner, Sheri Brown Audio/Visual Techs: Gil Long, Chris Oliver, Gary Simon, Chris Fenton



Our Guests in the Pulpit

Jane Podell has served our congregation as Director of Religious Exploration (DRE) for the past 14 years. In addition to working half-time at UUCHV, she also holds part-time positions at the UU Congregation of the Catskills in Kingston as DRE and at Vassar College as the weekend concerts supervisor.

Betsy Tomic has been a member of UUCHV for almost 15 years. She is a Board member for the non-profit "UU Ministry for Earth" and has attended GAs in Providence, Portland, Pittsburgh and Baltimore.

2025 Summertime Services

UUCHV will be partnering with First Unitarian Society of Westchester (FUSW), newly located at 210 N. Central Ave, Hartsdale, NY, 10530 for summertime services.

UUCHV will host services to both our congregation and FUSW in person and via streaming at **10:00 a.m.** on the following:

July 6th, July 20th, August 3, August 17th, & August 31st.

FUSW will host services available to their congregation and UUCHV in person at **10:30 a.m.** at their new sanctuary at 210 N. Central Ave, Hartsdale, NY, 10530 and via Zoom on:

July 13th, July 27th, August 10,

& August 24th

During these FUSW Sundays, the UUCHV building will be closed.

Links for both the UUCHV service streaming and the FUSW Zoom will be available through the Link and OOS email distributed the Saturday before each service.

The Reverend Daniel Lawlor, Minister ~ revdaniellawlor@gmail.com

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July 6, 2025 Hymn Lyrics

#347, Gather the Spirit

Gather the spirit, harvest the power. Our sep'rate fires will kindle one flame. Witness the mystery of this hour. Our trials in this light appear all the same.

(Chorus)

Gather in peace, gather in thanks. Gather in sympathy now and then. Gather in hope, compassion and strength. Gather to celebrate once again.

Gather the spirit of heart and mind. Seeds for the sowing are laid in store. Nurtured in love, and conscience refined, with body and spirit united once more.

(Chorus)

Gather the spirit growing in all, drawn by the moon and fed by the sun. Winter to spring, and summer to fall, the chorus of life resounding as one.

#1064, Blue Boat Home

Though below me, I feel no motion standing on these mountains and plains. Far away from the rolling ocean still my dry land heart can say: I've been sailing all my life now, never harbor or port have I known. The wide universe is the ocean I travel and the earth is my blue boat home.

Sun my sail and moon my rudder as I ply the starry sea,

leaning over the edge in wonder, casting questions into the deep.

Drifting here with my ship's companions, all we kindred pilgrim souls,

making our way by the lights of the heavens in our beautiful blue boat home.

I give thanks to the waves up holding me, hail the great winds urging me on,

greet the infinite sea before me, sing the sky my sailor's song:

I was born up on the fathoms, never harbor or port have I known.

The wide universe is the ocean I travel, and the earth is my blue boat home.