

Welcome to



**COMMUNITY  
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST  
CONGREGATION  
AT WHITE PLAINS**

Nurture Spirituality · Foster Compassion · Engage in Service



## **“LET THE MAYBES IN”**

*Sunday, May 18, 2025*

Rev. Danielle Lindstrom, Minister | Tracy Breneman, Kim Force, Worship Associates  
Georgianna Pappas, piano | Enid Blount Press, clarinet  
plus special guest musicians, singers & performers

Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation is a Welcoming Congregation  
committed to affirming and purposefully including all, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, national  
origin, disability, gender, gender identity or expression, and sexual or affectional orientation.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

SUNDAY, MAY 18

### GATHERING MUSIC

Georgianna Pappas, piano;

Enid Blount Press, clarinet; Mansa Gory, Euphonium

### GATHERING HYMN

**#347, Gather the Spirit**

Kim Force, Georgianna

*Gather the spirit, harvest the power. Our separate 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.**

Chorus

### WELCOME

Tracy Breneman

### SONG

Pachelbel's Canon

Kim, Christian Force,

arr. Adam & Matt Podd

Kathy Williams

### OPENING WORDS/CHALICE LIGHTING

Rev. Danielle Lindstrom

### HYMN

**#1022, Open the Window**

Kim, Georgianna

*Chorus: Open the window children, Open the window now.  
Open the window children. Open the window let the dove fly in.  
Open the window let the dove fly in.*

*Mama and Papa are fighting like snakes, Open the window let the dove fly in.  
Baby is a cryin' like her heart will break, Open the window let the dove fly in.*

Chorus

**Neighbors lock their doors, build fences so high  
Open the window let the dove fly in.  
Don't see what's to discover on the other side  
Open the window let the dove fly in.**

Chorus

**Borders 'round countries, borders 'round the skies  
Open the window let the dove fly in.  
The only border close you in is the border 'round your mind  
Open the window let the dove fly in.**

Chorus

**Some people have money, some people have none  
Open the window let the dove fly in.  
What's the use of money if your heart's gone numb?  
Open the window let the dove fly in.**

Chorus

**This big old world is in a great big mess. Open the window let the dove fly in.  
Open the window find peace and rest, Open the window let the dove fly in.**

Chorus

CHILD DEDICATION

Rev. Danielle, Tracy

**May you grow in love. May you seek, attain, and share that love.  
May you learn to be gentle and respect all persons and beings.  
May you be filled with courage to challenge injustice.  
May you endow those who know you with faith and hope.  
May you come to know that which is eternal.  
May Love abide with you always. Amen.**

WISDOM STORY

Whimsy

## RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION

### RECESSSIONAL

#354 We Laugh, We Cry (verses 1 & 2)

Kim, Georgianna

*We laugh, we cry, we live, we die; we dance, we sing our song.  
We need to feel there's something here to which we can belong.  
We need to feel the freedom just to have some time alone.  
But most of all we need close friends we can call our very own.  
And we believe in life, and in the strength of love;  
and we have found a need to be together.  
We have our hearts to give, we have our thoughts to receive;  
and we believe that sharing is an answer.*

*A child is born among us and we feel a special glow.  
We see time's endless journey as we watch the baby grow.  
We thrill to hear imagination freely running wild.  
We dedicate our minds and heart to the spirit of this child.  
And we believe in life, and in the strength of love;  
and we have found a time to be together.  
And with the grace of age, we share the wonder of youth,  
and we believe that growing is an answer.*

### OFFERING

Kim

### REFLECTION

Georgianna

### OFFERTORY

Georgianna, Enid

### TIME OF PRAYER & MEDITATION

#### PRAYER IN WORDS

Tracy

#### IN QUIET

#### IN MUSIC

Georgianna

### READING

Maybes ~ Holly Mueller

Kim

### SERMON

“Let the Maybes In”

Rev. Danielle

**HYMN****#131, Love Will Guide Us**

Kim, Georgianna

*Love will guide us, peace has tried us, Hope inside us, will lead the way  
On the road from greed to giving. Love will guide us through the hard night.*

*If you cannot speak like angels, If you cannot speak before thousands,  
You can give from deep within you. You can change the world with your love.*

*Love will guide us, peace has tried us, Hope inside us, will lead the way  
On the road from greed to giving. Love will guide us through the hard night.*

**CHALICE EXTINGUISHING**

Kim

*We blow out this flame, but not the messy magical maybes.  
Not the scribbles, not the sparks, not the wild ideas flying in all directions.  
Let the maybes scatter—and let something beautiful grow.*

**CLOSING**

Kim

**BENEDICTION**

Rev. Danielle

**PARTING MUSIC****Trees of the Field**

Kim, Georgianna

Steffi Geiser Rubin, Stuart Dauermann

*You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace  
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you  
There'll be shouts of joy and all the trees of the field  
Will clap, will clap their hands. And all the trees of the field will clap their hands  
The trees of the field will clap their hands.  
The trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy*

Thank you for being with us this morning!  
See the back page for information on activities  
happening after worship today, and in the coming week.

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## SUN MAY 18 AT CUUC

9:45am **Childcare** (Room 32)

10am **Sunday Worship** (Sanctuary & Online: [bit.ly/CUUC-Worship](https://bit.ly/CUUC-Worship))

10am **Religious Exploration**: K-10th Grade Classes Meet (Rooms 21, 11, 14, 43)

11:15am **Social Hour** (Fellowship Hall)

11:15am **Children's Song Rehearsal** (Sanctuary)

11:30am **Journey Group**: J. Prinzivalli (Room 41)

11:30am **Journey Group**: K. Leahy / J. Good (Room 43)

12:30pm **Rental**: Hoff-Barthelson Music School

## THE WEEK AHEAD

*Mon May 19* - 10am Meals for HOPE (Kitchen)

*Tue May 20* - 7am Rental: Parking for TV Crew Cars (Lower Lot); 10am Sandwiches for HOPE (Kitchen); 1pm Safety Committee Meeting (Online: [bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899](https://bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899)); 7pm Journey Group: J. Lidh (Off-Site); 7pm Partners in Covenant Team Meeting (Online: [bit.ly/CUUC-RE](https://bit.ly/CUUC-RE)); 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

*Wed May 21* - 7am Rental: Parking for TV Crew Cars (Lower Lot); 11am Staff Meeting (Online: [bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899](https://bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899)); 1:30pm Journey Group: K. Williams (Off-Site); 7pm Courtesy Rental: ACOA Meeting (Room 41); 7:30pm Journey Group: L. Sehdeva / T. Breneman (Online: [bit.ly/CUUC-RE](https://bit.ly/CUUC-RE))

*Thu May 22* - 11:30pm Science & Spirituality (Fireside Area & Online: [bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899](https://bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899))

*Fri May 23* - 7pm - 8pm Books with Barbara (Online: [bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-3131](https://bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-3131))

*Sat May 24* - 10am-1pm PlaceKeepers Re-Wilding Project (CUUC Grounds); 10am Rental: Pamsula Zen of Westchester (Room 43 & Zoom)

*Sun May 25* - 9:45am Childcare (Room 32); 10am Sunday All-Ages Worship (Sanctuary & Online: [bit.ly/CUUC-Worship](https://bit.ly/CUUC-Worship)) (Religious Exploration classes will not meet); 11:15am Social Hour (Fireside Area); 11:30 Meals for HOPE (Kitchen)