

Welcome to



**COMMUNITY
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
CONGREGATION
AT WHITE PLAINS**

Nurture Spirituality • Foster Compassion • Engage in Service



“A Drop in the Bucket, Water Ingathering”

Sunday, September 13, 2026

REV. DANIELLE LINDSTROM, MINISTER
REV. TRACY BRENNEMAN, MINISTER OF FAITH FORMATION
ADAM KENT, MUSIC DIRECTOR | KIM FORCE, HYMN LEADER
KAREN LEAHY, WORSHIP ASSOCIATE
LISA N. MEYER, CHOIR DIRECTOR | BARBARA ORWICK, PIANO
APRIL CASTOLDI, FLUTE | THE CUUC CHOIR

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

September 13, 2026

GATHERING MUSIC Prelude in Db Major, Op. 28, No. 15, Adam Kent, piano
 “Raindrop” ~ Frederic Chopin
 “Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head”
 ~ Burt Bacharach, arr. Phillip Keveren

GATHERING HYMN #1007, There’s a River Flowin’ in My Soul

WELCOME Rev. Danielle Lindstrom

CHALICE LIGHTING At the Edge of Something New Rev. Tracy Breneman
 ~ Rev. Michelle Collins

***We gather at the edge of something new.
Summer’s looseness gives way to rhythm,
and rhythm calls us home.***

***Whatever weariness, wonder, or waiting you carry through these doors,
you are welcome here. You are seen here. You are needed here.
Let us breathe together and open our hearts to all that is waiting.
Come, let us begin our worship, together.***

HYMN #100, Peace Like a River
 Peace, Tears, Love

OFFERING Karen Leahy, Kate Colson

OFFERTORY “Aiguablava” (Blue Water) Adam
 ~ Alicia de Larrocha

THE FIRST WATER COMMUNION Rev. Tracy

SELECTION “Rivers of Living Water” CUUC Choir
 ~ Karen Marroli

CUUC Choir directed by Lisa N. Meyer and accompanied by Barbara Orwick; April Castoldi, flute

WATER RITUAL		Rev. Danielle
I. In Times of Sorrow	“The Rain Is Falling” ~ Claude Debussy	Adam
II. In Times of Change	“Deep River” ~ Trad. Spiritual arr. Samuel Coleridge-Taylor	Adam
III. In Times of Joy	“At Sea” from <i>Poems of the Sea</i> ~ Ernst Bloch	Adam
TIME OF PRAYER & MEDITATION		Rev. Danielle
JOYS, SORROWS, MILESTONES		
IN QUIET		
IN MUSIC	#100, Peace Like a River <i>Joy, Pain, Strength</i>	
STORY	“Higgins, A Drop with a Dream” ~ Christopher Buice, adapt. Karen	Karen
SELECTION	“We Will Rise Together” ~ Clif Harden and Jan Elicker	CUUC Choir
CLOSING		Karen
CHALICE EXTINGUISHING	~ William Hutchinson Murray <i>Whatever you can do, or dream you can do, begin it. Boldness has genius, power, and magic in it. Begin it now.</i>	Karen
BENEDICTION		Rev. Danielle

PARTING MUSIC **#1064, Blue Boat Home**

*Thank you for being with us this morning! When you leave today,
please return your name tag to the carousel in the lobby.*

***Please join us next Sunday when guest cellist Gloria Kim performs
Max Bruch’s “Kol Nidrei” and other Yom Kippur-themed music.***

Share-the-Plate for September is **Neighbors for Refugees**
Visit cuucwp.org/newsletters for the e-Communitarian & RE newsletters
Use the QR Code to donate your support to CUUC, or visit bit.ly/CUUC-Donation



SUN SEPT 13 AT CUUC

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

10am **Sunday Worship** (Sanctuary & Livestream: bit.ly/CUUC-Worship)

10am **K-12th Grade Religious Exploration**: Attend Worship

11:15am **Social Hour** (Fireside)

11:30am **K-1st Grade Our Whole Lives Parent Orientation** (Fellowship Hall) *required for participation*

11:30am **Caring for Our Aging Beloveds** (Room 41)

11:45am **CUUC Choir Lunch** (Fireside Area)

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon Sep 14 - 9am Prime Time Dance Exercise Group (CUUC & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 10am Meals for HOPE (Kitchen); 7:00pm Journey Group: 2nd Mon (I. Cox) (bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 7:00pm Finance Committee meeting (Zoom-2210)

Tue Sep 15 - 10am Sandwiches for HOPE (Kitchen); 1:00pm Safety Committee (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 7:00pm Partners in Covenant (PIC Zoom Room); 7:00pm PlaceKeeping Team (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-2210); 7:30pm Choir (Sanctuary)

Wed Sep 16 - 1:30pm Journey Group: 3rd Wed Afternoon (K. Williams, T. Litkofsky)(In Person, Briarcliff/Irvington); 2:30pm Building and Grounds Planning Subteam (Room 41); 6:30pm Worship Associate Team Planning (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-3131); 7:30pm Journey Group: 3rd Wed Eve (T. Breneman)(Online: bit.ly/CUUC-RE)

Thu Sep 17 - 6:30pm 2nd-4th Teaching Team Meeting (<https://bit.ly/CUUC-RE>); 8:00pm Religious Exploration Team Meeting (bit.ly/CUUC-RE)

Fri Sep 18 - All Day Rental: TV Production (Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, Parking Lot); 9:00am Dance Exercise (Online today: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 7:00pm Journey Group: 3rd Fri (A. Sehdeva)(Fellowship Hall & bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); *Pam away*

Sat Sep 19 - 9:00am Social Justice Teams Core Members (Fellowship Hall); 11:30am Get Out the Vote Postcarding (Fellowship Hall); 5:30pm Game Night (Fellowship Hall)

Sun Sep 20 - 9:15am K-12 Religious Exploration (Rooms 11, 13, 14, 21, 23, 41); 9:45am Childcare (Room 32); 10:00am Worship (Sanctuary & Livestream: bit.ly/CUUC-Worship); 11:15am Brunch Potluck (Fellowship Hall); 11:15am Religious Exploration Family Lunch & RE Overview/Registration (Fireside Area); 11:30am Journey Group: 3rd Sun (J. Prinzivalli)(Room 11); 11:30am Journey Group: 3rd Sun (L. Sehdeva)(Room 21)

Sanctuary Wi-Fi Network: CUUC_Public | Pwd: cuucwp468

LYRICS

#1007, There's a River Flowin' in My Soul

There's a river flowin' in my soul.
There's a river flowin' in my soul.
And it's tellin' me that I'm somebody.
There's a river flowin' in my soul.

There's a river flowin' in my heart...

There's a river flowin' in my mind...

#100, I've Got Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got tears like the raindrops...

I've got love like an ocean...



I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.
I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got pain like an arrow...

I've got strength like a mountain...

LYRICS CONT'D

#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 upholding me
Hail the great winds urging me on
Greet the infinite sea before me
Sing the sky my sailor's song
I was born upon 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