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## "COMPASSION IS THE PURPOSE OF LIFE"

REV. MEREDITH GARMON

2022 November 13 ~ 8th Sunday of Autumn

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**

2022 NOVEMBER 13

GATHERING MUSIC Georgianna Pappas

"Bridge Over Troubled Water" ~ Paul Simon; "And So It Goes" ~ Billy Joel;

"What the World Needs Now" ~ Burt Bacharach

OPENING THEME video You've Got a Friend in Me ~ Randy Newman CUUC Choir

directed by Lisa N. Meyer, accompanied by Georgianna Pappas

CALL TO WORSHIP video Rev. Meredith Garmon

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Meredith, Rev. Deb Morra, Georgianna

Our Congregation Lois Holt

OPENING HYMN #347, Gather the Spirit Kim Force, Georgianna

[hymn lyrics start on page 5]

CHALICE LIGHTING Stephen Bear

This is the mission of our faith:

To teach the fragile art of hospitality;

To revere both the critical mind and the generous heart;

To prove that diversity need not mean divisiveness;

And to witness to all

That we must hold the whole world in our hands.

SPOKEN INVOCATION Rev. Meredith

SUNG INVOCATION Spirit of Truth (tune: Finlandia) Kim, Georgianna

Spirit of Truth, that dwellest in the mountain Descend, we pray thee, to the marts of earth.

Give us to hear the rustle of thy garment.

Grant us to feel thy shadow near -

So may we find the strength to stand face forward,

Courage to walk toward the dawning day.

ANTHEM What Is Life ~ Greg Gilpin CUUC Choir

UU MINUTE video Unlimited Atonement Rev. Meredith

PRAYER - JOYS, SORROWS & MILESTONES - SILENCE Rev. Meredith

SUNG RESPONSE Gate of Sweet Nectar Kim, Georgianna

Calling out to hungry hearts, Everywhere through endless time You who wander, you who thirst, I offer you contented mind. Calling out to hungry spirits, Everywhere through endless time Calling out to hungry hearts, All the lost and left behind Gather round and share our lives. Your joy and your sorrow I make mine.

MUSICAL MEDITATION Autumn in Our Town ~ Dave Brubeck Georgianna

OFFERTORY Nocturne in Bb Minor, Op. 9, No. 1 Creighton Cray,

~ Frederic Chopin

PRACTICE POINTER video Abandon Hope Rev. Meredith

HYMN #1008, When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place Kim, Georgianna

SERMON - PART 1 Rev. Meredith

ANTHEM Siyahamba ~ South African Freedom Song CUUC Choir

SERMON - PART 2 Rev. Meredith

CLOSING HYMN #95, There Is More Love Somewhere Kim, Georgianna

EXTINGUISHING THE CHALICE Stephen

The chalice is now extinguished, but its light lives on in the minds and hearts and souls of each one of us. We will carry that flame with us as we leave this place and share it With those we know, With those we love, and with those we have yet to meet.

Spoken Benediction Rev. Meredith

SUNG BENEDICTION #123, Spirit of Life Kim, Georgianna

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2022-2023 RE Overview: bit.ly/CUUCRE22-23 To Volunteer & Connect in RE: bit.ly/CUUCREConnect22-23







#### **CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Pastoral Associates Training, Sun Nov 13, 9:00am, Room 21. First of 6 sessions, led by Rev. Stevie Carmody and Rev. Meredith Garmon (minister@cucwp.org)

Journey Group: Carmody, Sun Nov 13, 11:45am, Room 41 & Zoom 6161.

**"Path to Our Future" Focus Group**, Sun Nov 13, 11:45am, Room 11. *Topic: expanding diverse voices at CUUC*. Terri Kung (<u>madterri@gmail.com</u>).

Adam Kent in concert: "Music from the Jewish Diaspora," Sun Nov 13, 2:30pm, Sanctuary and Livestream (bit.ly/Music-at-CUUC). Donations gratefully accepted.

Buy tickets and donate to our **Auction**, Sat Nov 19, 6:00pm (5:30pm preview).

Meals for HOPE cooking, Mon Nov 4, 10:00am, kitchen. bit.ly/Meals-for-HOPE-signup.

Sandwich Team Backup Volunteer wanted. Ellen Simon (efsimon1@gmail.com).

Offer feedback on proposed **changes to UUA Article II** at Zoom sessions through Mon Nov 14 - <u>uua.org/uuagovernance/committees/article-ii-study-commission</u>

The first 35 CUUC Members (or household members) who register for the 3-day online "Jubilee Three" Anti-Racism Workshop (Jan 13–15) are eligible for a 50% rebate. - no time limit. Joe Majsak (jmajsak@verizon.net)

Invite an international student to your Thanksgiving. Jane Dixon (lilrhodie@gmail.com).

Join our **Usher Ministry**. Contact Karen Leahy (<u>karenleahy101@gmail.com</u>).

Host a **Coffee Hour**. Contact Chris Kortlandt (kortlandtbunch@gmail.com).

Nov Share the Plate: Ecumenical Emergency Food Pantry of White Plains

Visit <a href="mailto:cucwp.org/newsletters">cucwp.org/newsletters</a> for the latest e-Communitarian newsletter

When you depart today, please place your name tag in the lobby table basket.

#### 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.

### (Chorus)

### #1008, When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place

When our heart is in a holy place, When our heart is in a holy place, We are bless'd with love and amazing grace, When our heart is in a holy place.

When we trust the wisdom in each of us, Ev'ry color ev'ry creed and kind, And we see our faces in each other's eyes, Then our heart is in a holy place.

#### Chorus

When we tell our story from deep inside, And we listen with a loving mind, And we hear our voices in each other's words, Then our heart is in a holy place.

#### Chorus

When we share the silence of sacred space, And the God of our Heart stirs within, And we feel the power of each other's faith, Then our heart is in a holy place.

#### Chorus

#### **#95, There Is More Love Somewhere**

There is more love somewhere. There is more love somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is more love somewhere.

There is more hope somewhere...

There is more peace somewhere...

There is more joy somewhere...

### #123, Spirit of Life

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close, wings set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.