

Welcome to



**COMMUNITY
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
CONGREGATION
AT WHITE PLAINS**

Nurture Spirituality • Foster Compassion • Engage in Service



“Balloons and Belonging”

Sunday, September 27, 2026

REV. DANIELLE LINDSTROM, MINISTER
REV. TRACY BRENEMAN, MINISTER OF FAITH FORMATION
ADAM KENT, MUSIC DIRECTOR | KATHY WILLIAMS, HYMN LEADER
NICKY KLEMENS, WORSHIP ASSOCIATE
THE CUUC CHOIR: LISA N. MEYER, CHOIR DIRECTOR
BARBARA ORWICK, ACCOMPANIST

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 27, 2026

GATHERING MUSIC

Adam Kent, piano

Homeward, Op. 62, No. 6
In My Homeland, Op. 43, No. 3
Wedding Day at Trolldhaugen, Op. 65, No. 6
by Edvard Grieg

GATHERING HYMN

#170, We Are a Gentle, Angry People

WELCOME

Rev. Danielle Lindstrom

CHALICE LIGHTING

~Marjorie Montgomery

Nicky Klemens

We are Unitarian Universalists.
Life is a gift for which we are grateful.
We gather in community to celebrate the wonders
and the mysteries of this great gift.

HYMN

#311, Let It Be a Dance

WISDOM STORY

“The Basics of Belonging”
by Laura Bogle, adapted

Rev. Tracy Breneman

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION
RECESSIONAL

Nashville Children’s Blessing

OFFERING

Nicky

OFFERTORY

“Bridge Over Troubled Water”
by Paul Simon

Adam

TIME OF PRAYER & MEDITATION		Rev. Danielle
JOYS, SORROWS, MILESTONES		
IN QUIET		
IN MUSIC	“The Times They Are A-Changin’” by Bob Dylan, arr. Audrey Snyder	CUUC Choir
HOMILY		Rev. Danielle
RESPONSIVE READING	CUUC Covenant	Nicky
SELECTION	“A New Horizon” by Greg Gilpin	CUUC Choir
HOMILY		Rev. Danielle
HYMN	We Shine Our Light	
CLOSING		Nicky
CHALICE EXTINGUISHING		Nicky
	We extinguish our chalice, but not the light of this community for it lives in each of us, reminding us we are connected, held always in a larger love.	
BENEDICTION		Rev. Danielle
CLOSING MUSIC	“Old Dance Tunes” from 15 Hungarian Peasant Songs by Béla Bartók	Adam

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

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 27 AT CUUC

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

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

9:15am **K-12th Religious Exploration Classes Meet** (Rooms 11, 13, 14, 21, 23, 41)

11:15am **Life of the Congregation and Social Justice Fair**

11:15am **Religious Exploration Family Lunch, RE Overview/Registration** (Fireside Area)

11:30am **Meals for Hope** (Kitchen)

SAVE THE DATES

Sat October 3rd, 9:45am-1pm, Inside & Out: A day of Renewal, Community, & Service

Join us to care for our spiritual home and create spaces that meet our needs.

Timeline:

9:45- Coffee, Juice, Donuts

10-Welcome and project descriptions

10:30-12:15 Worktime

12:15 Lunch!

Sun October 4th, Banned Book Sunday Book Exchange

In honor of Banned Book Week, Oct 4-10, all are invited to bring a book that changed you or challenged you. Include a note about what the book has meant to you. We will create a book altar and folks will be invited to take a book home. Please bring books that you are comfortable giving away.

Sun October 4th, Following Service, Path to CUUC

Newer to CUUC? Join Rev. Danielle and members of our community for a deeper introduction to Unitarian Universalism, CUUC, and the many ways you can get connected. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to minister@cuucwp.org

****Annual Fire Drill will take place on October 4th at the end of service.**

Visit the CommUUnity table following service to find even more ways to connect and be involved with Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation at White Plains.

Sanctuary Wi-Fi Network: CUUC_Public | Pwd: cuucwp468

LYRICS

#170 **We are a Gentle, Angry People**

We are a gentle, angry people,
and we are singing, singing for our lives.
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and we are singing, singing for our lives.

We are a justice-seeking people...
We are young and old together...
We are a land of many colors...
We are all in this together...

#311, **Let It Be a Dance**

(Chorus)

Let it be a dance we do.
May I have this dance with you?
Through the good times and the bad times, too,
let it be a dance.

Let a dancing song be heard.
Play the music, say the words,
and fill the sky with sailing birds.
Let it be a dance.
Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance.
Learn to follow, learn to lead,
feel the rhythm, fill the need
to reap the harvest, plant the seed.
Let it be a dance.

Morning star comes out at night,
without the dark there is no light.
If nothing's wrong, then nothing's right.
Let it be a dance.
Let it be a dance. Let it be a dance.
Let the sun shine, let it rain;
share the laughter, bear* the pain,
and round and round we go again.
Let it be a dance.

(Chorus)

LYRICS (CONT'D)

Nashville Children's Blessing

May your mind be open to new learning.
May your lips bring truth into the world.
May your heart know love
and your hands do the work of justice,
as you go your way in love

We Shine Our Light

We shine our light in search of hope,
We shine our light in search of hope.
Each path is our own but we're not alone,
We shine our light in search of hope.

We give our heart in search of love,
We give our heart in search of love.
Each path is our own but we're not alone,
We give our heart in search of love.

We speak our mind in search of truth,
We speak our mind in search of truth.
Each path is our own but we're not alone,
We speak our mind in search of truth.

We rest our arms in search of peace,
We rest our arms in search of peace.
Each path is our own but we're not alone,
We rest our arms in search of peace.

Sing Out

$\text{♩} = 70$ $\text{B}\flat$

Breathe in, breathe out; take in, sing out. There is
Let us
There is

3 F Gm Am $\text{B}\flat$ Dm7 $\text{B}\flat$ 1.-2.
so much joy right here. There is so much joy right here. Breathe
make our vows a - new. Let us make our vows a - new. Breathe
so much here for you. I —

7 3. $\text{B}\flat$ Dm7 $\text{B}\flat$
want you to be wel - come too.