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# "ENGAGING THE SPIRIT OF LIFE"

Rev. Kimberley Debus 2024 April 14 ~ 4th Sunday of Spring

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

2024 APRIL 14

GATHERING MUSIC Adam Kent, piano

Notturno, Op. 54, No. 4 ~ Edvard Grieg Three Preludes ~ George Gershwin

WELCOME Nicky Klemens

OUR CONGREGATION Scott Damashek

OPENING WORDS words of Gretchen Haley Rev. Kimberley Debus

CHALICE LIGHTING Love and Justice ~ Cynthia Landrum Andrew Adachi

Flame of our faith, call us into the community of love and justice this morning and every morning.

OPENING HYMN #298, Wake Now My Senses Kim Force, Adam

CHALICE CONVERSATION Rev. Kimberley

HYMN / SING CHILDREN OUT Children's Blessing Kim, Adam

First UU Nashville Youth Choir

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 peace. As you go your way in peace.

TIME OF PRAYER & MEDITATION

In Words Rev. Kimberley

In SILENCE

IN MUSIC The Rose Kate Breault, Kim Force,

Amanda McBroom, arr. Kirby Shaw Terri Kung, Kathy Williams

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Jessica Lidh

Offering Nicky

OFFERTORY Meditation on Leonard Cohen's "Hallelujah" Adam

REFLECTIONS Andrew, Nicky

MUSICAL INTERLUDE April, Op. 37, No. 4\* ~ Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky Adam

\*In the first printed edition, prefaced by this verse:

"The blue, pure snowdrop – flower, and near it the last snowdrops.

The last tears over past griefs, and first dreams of another happiness."

SERMON "Engaging the Spirit of Life" Rev. Kimberley

## Hymn #123, Spirit of Life

Spanish: Fuente de Amor, ven hacia mí. Y al corazón, cántale tu compasión. Sopla al volar, sube en la mar, hasta moldear la justicia de la vida. Arráigame, libérame, Fuente de Amor, ven a mí, ven a mí.

BENEDICTION words of Chip Roush Rev. Kimberley

CHALICE EXTINGUISHING Daring Vision ~ Maureen Killoran Andrew

We extinguish this chalice flame, daring to carry forward the vision of this free faith, that freedom, reason and justice will one day prevail in this nation and across the earth.

CLOSING

MUSIC FOR PARTING #123, Spirit of Life

Thank you for being with us. Please place your name tag in the lobby basket when you leave today.

April Share-the-Plate: **Murray Grove Retreat and Renewal Center**Visit <u>cuucwp.org/newsletter</u> for the e-Communitarian & RE newsletters
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### **SUN APR 14 AT CUUC**

10:00am **Worship** (Sanctuary & Worship Zoom: bit.ly/CUUC-Worship)

10:00am Religious Exploration: K-9th Classes Meet (Rooms 33, 41, 43)

11:15am Board of Trustees Open House (Fellowship Hall & Zoom 6161)

11:15am Child/Youth Song Rehearsal (Room 43)

11:15am Newcomers Lunch (Room 11)

11:15am Social Hour (Fireside Area)

11:15am Virtual Coffee Hour (bit.ly/CUUC-CoffeeHour)

11:15am Youth Membership Conversation (Room 14)

11:45am CUUC Covenant Draft Review (Fellowship Hall & Zoom 6161)

12:15pm **Journey Group**: Leahy/Good (Room 13)

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon Apr 15 - All day Rental: TV Crew Car Parking (Lower lot); 9:00am Prime Time Dance Exercise Group (CUUC & Zoom 6161); 10:00am Meals for HOPE (Kitchen)

Tue Apr 16 - All day TV Crew Rental-Bldg & Lots (Parking Lot, Fellowship Hall); 10:00am Sandwiches for HOPE (Kitchen); 7:00pm Journey Group: J Lidh Off-Site (Bronx); 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Wed Apr 17 - All day TV Crew Rental-Bldg & Lots (Parking Lot, Fellowship Hall); 10:30am RE Leadership Mtg (bit.ly/CUUC-RE); 6:30pm Worship Associate Team Planning (Zoom 3131); 7:30pm Journey Group: Breneman (Zoom 8428 - Zoom only); 8:00pm RE PlaceKeepers Meeting (Zoom 2210)

Thu Apr 18 - All day TV Crew Rental-Bldg & Lots (Parking Lot, Fellowship Hall); 10:00am Journey Group: Traber (Room 11); 4:00pm Journey Group: Weisel (Zoom 6161); 7:00pm RE: Online Class for Children & Parents/Caregivers: Understanding and Managing Emotions (Zoom 8428); 8:15pm RE Collaborative Leadership Meeting (CUUC-RE Zoom)

Fri Apr 19 - All day TV Crew Rental-Bldg & Lots (Parking Lot, Fellowship Hall); 9:00am Prime Time Dance Exercise Group (CUUC & Zoom 6161); 3:00pm "A Tempo with Adam" (A Tempo Zoom and Facebook Live); 6:00pm Journey Group Dinner (TBD); 7:00pm Books with Barbara (Zoom 3131); 7:00pm Journey Group: Sehdeva/Cox (TBD & Zoom 7899)

Sat Apr 20 - 9:30am Furniture Sharehouse Volunteering (Furniture Sharehouse); 10:00am Westchester COA Credo Writing Retreat (Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, Kitchen Patio); 1:00pm Rental: WCBNY (Room 41); 2:00pm Food Prep for Brunch (Kitchen)

## Lyrics

### #298, Wake Now My Senses

Wake, now, my senses, and hear the earth call; feel the deep power of being in all; keep, with the web of creation your vow, giving, receiving as love shows us how.

Wake, now, my reason, reach out to the new; join with each pilgrim who quests for the true; honor the beauty and wisdom of time; suffer thy limit, and praise the sublime.

Wake, now, compassion, give heed to the cry; voices of suffering fill the side sky; take as your neighbor both stranger and friend, praying and striving their hardship to end.

Wake, now, my conscience, with justice thy guide; join with all people whose rights are denied; take not for granted a privileged place; God's love embraces the whole human race.

Wake, now, my vision of ministry clear; brighten my pathway with radiance here; mingle my calling with all who will share; work toward a planet transformed by our care.

### #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.