

Welcome to



**COMMUNITY
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
CONGREGATION
AT WHITE PLAINS**

Nurture Spirituality • Foster Compassion • Engage in Service



“Forgiveness in Unforgiving Times”

Sunday, April 19, 2026

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BARBARA ORWICK, ACCOMPANIST

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ORDER OF SERVICE

April 19, 2026

GATHERING MUSIC

“Cuna” (Cradle) and “Gitano” from
“Impresiones íntimas” ~Federico Mompou

Adam Kent, piano

Danza de los vecinos (The Neighbors’ Dance) from “El sombrero de tres picos”
(The Three-Cornered Hat) ~Manuel de Falla

GATHERING HYMN

#1008, When Our Heart is in a Holy Place

WELCOME

Karen Leahy

OPENING WORDS

Rev. Dr. Kelly Murphy Mason

CHALICE LIGHTING

Building the Possible
~Rev. Scott Tayler

Nicky Klemens

inspired by and with use of the words of John Schaar

**May this flame cast its light toward the coming days,
reminding us that “the future is not simply a place we are going,
but a place we are creating.”**

**A new world is waiting, friends, not to be found, but to be built.
May our time together light the way.**

HYMN

#323, Break Not the Circle

WISDOM STORY

What If Nobody Forgave?

Tracy Breneman

CANVASS TESTIMONIAL

Matthew Darnell

OFFERING

Nicky

OFFERTORY

“Draw the Circle Wide”
~Music by Mark A. Miller
~Words by Gordon Light

CUUC Choir
Terri Kung, soloist
Directed by Lisa N. Meyer
Accompanied by Barbara Orwick

TIME OF PRAYER & MEDITATION

JOYS, SORROWS, MILESTONES

Rev. Kelly

IN QUIET

IN MUSIC

“Turn, Turn, Turn”
Words from the Book of Ecclesiastes
Adaptation and Music by Pete Seeger
Arranged by Roger Emerson

CUUC Choir

RESPONSIVE READING

#637 A Litany of Atonement

Karen

INTERLUDE

Adam

SERMON

Rev. Kelly

HYMN

#1002, Comfort Me

CLOSING

Nicky

CHALICE EXTINGUISHING

Already unfolding
~Rev. Tandi Rogers

Karen

**May possibility take root where certainty once stood.
May curiosity lead the way.
May you loosen your grip, open your hands,
and find that something unexpected is already unfolding.**

BENEDICTION

Rev. Kelly

PARTING MUSIC

“Hard to Say I’m Sorry”
~Peter Cetera & David Foster

Adam

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

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SUN APR 19 AT CUUC

9:30am **Childcare** (Room 32)

10am **Religious Exploration: K-12th PlaceKeeping Activity** (CUUC Grounds & Kitchen Patio)

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

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

11:45am **Journey Group: J. Prinzivalli** (Room 11)

11:45am **Journey Group: L. Sehdeva** (Room 21)

11:45am **Journey Group: S. Carr** (Room 43)

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon Apr 20 - 9am Prime Time Dance Exercise Group (CUUC & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 10am Meals for HOPE (Kitchen)

Tue Apr 21 - 10am Sandwiches for HOPE (Kitchen); 1pm Safety Committee Meeting (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary); 7:30pm Pastoral Care Associates (7899); 8pm RE PlaceKeeping Meeting (Zoom 2210)

Wed Apr 22 - 11am Staff Meeting (In Person & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 6:30pm Worship Associate Team Planning (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-3131); 7:30pm SPARC Meeting (Zoom 3131)

Thu Apr 23 - 11:30am Science & Spirituality Group (Fireside Area & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 7pm Child/Parent Class: Communicating About Feelings (Zoom 8428)

Fri Apr 24 - 9am Prime Time Dance Exercise Group (CUUC & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 5:30pm Game Night (Fellowship Hall); 7pm Books with Barbara (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-3131)

LYRICS

#1008, When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place

Chorus:

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

When our heart is in a holy place.

#323, Break Not the Circle

Break not the circle of enabling love
where people grow, forgiven and forgiving;
break not that circle - make it wider still,
till it includes, embraces all the living.

Come, wonder at this love that comes to life,
where words of freedom are with humor spoken
and people keep no score of wrong and guilt,
but will that human bonds remain unbroken.

Join then the movement of the love that frees,
till people of whatever race or nation
will truly be themselves, stand on their feet,
see eye to eye with laughter and elation.

#1002, Comfort Me

Comfort me, comfort me, comfort me, oh my soul.
Comfort me, comfort me, comfort me, oh my soul.

Sing with me, sing with me...
Speak for me, speak for me...
Dance with me, dance with me...

RESPONSIVE READING

#637 A Litany of Atonement

For remaining silent when a single voice would have made a difference

**We forgive ourselves and each other;
we begin again in love.**

For each time that our fears have made us rigid and inaccessible

**We forgive ourselves and each other;
we begin again in love.**

For each time that we have struck out in anger without just cause

**We forgive ourselves and each other;
we begin again in love.**

For each time that our greed has blinded us to the needs of others

**We forgive ourselves and each other;
we begin again in love.**

For the selfishness which sets us apart and alone

**We forgive ourselves and each other;
we begin again in love.**

For falling short of the admonitions of the spirit

**We forgive ourselves and each other;
we begin again in love.**

For losing sight of our unity

**We forgive ourselves and each other;
we begin again in love.**

*For those and for so many acts both evident and subtle which have fueled the illusion of
separateness*

**We forgive ourselves and each other;
we begin again in love.**