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"Blessed Contradictions"

Sunday, November 16, 2025

Rev. Danielle Lindstrom, minister | Tracy Breneman, religious educator Georgianna Pappas, accompanist | The CUUC Choir Andrés Otero & Eileen Macholl, worship associates New Amsterdam Youth Choir

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ORDER OF SERVICE

NOVEMBER 16, 2025

GATHERING MUSIC Georgianna Pappas, piano

GATHERING HYMN #361 Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

WELCOME Rev. Danielle Liindstrom

SELECTIONS The Garden Song ~Dave Mallet The CUUC Choir

Directed by Lisa N. Meyer

Accompanied by Georgianna Pappas

CHALICE LIGHTING Andrés Otero

Today we gather to explore what happens when we intentionally embrace the mystery in the contradictions playing out in the world and our lives.

SELECTIONS Amani Utupe New Amsterdam Choir

Swahili - Grant Us Peace Directed by James Backmon

~Patsy Ford Simms

INVITATION TO PLACEKEEPING Cynthia Roberts

RECESSIONAL Nashville Children's Blessing *First UU Nashville Youth Choir

OFFERING Fileen Macholl

OFFERTORY Georgianna

TIME OF PRAYER & MEDITATION

PRAYER IN WORDS Rev. Danielle

In Quiet

IN MUSIC Somewhere Over the Rainbow The CUUC Choir

~Composed by Harold Arlen, with lyrics written by Yip Harburg

REFLECTION When Giving is all We Have ~Alberto Ríos

Andrés

SERMON Rev. Danielle

HYMN #95 There is More Love Somewhere

CLOSING Eileen

CHALICE EXTINGUISHING

Eileen

We extinguish this flame to remind us:

love is the center.

When all we can see is cold ashes:

love remains.

As we explore and rest, engage and heal:

love remains the center.

Benediction Rev. Danielle

Parting Music Georgianna

ABOUT New Amsterdam Youth Choir-Led by founder and Artistic Director James Backmon, the mission of New Amsterdam choir is to enrich the lives of children in the East Harlem community, using choral singing as a catalyst.

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 November: **Feeding Westchester (feedingwestchester.org)**Visit <u>cuucwp.org/newsletter</u> for the e-Communitarian & RE newsletters
Use the QR Code to donate your support to CUUC, or visit <u>bit.ly/CUUC-Donation</u>



SUN NOV 16 AT CUUC

8:45am Choir Warm-Up (Sanctuary)

9:30am Centering for Leaders (Fellowship Hall)

9:30am Childcare (Room 32)

10am Religious Exploration: K-12th PlaceKeeping Activity (CUUC Grounds)

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

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

11:30am Walkabout Coffeehouse Setup (Sanctuary, Kitchen, Room 14)

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 Nov 17 - 9am Prime Time Dance Exercise Group (CUUC & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 10am Meals for HOPE (Kitchen); 6:30pm Courtesy Rental: Boy Scout Troop Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Tue Nov 18 - 10am Sandwiches for HOPE (Kitchen); 1pm Safety Committee Meeting (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 7pm POP UP: Difficult Holiday Conversations (https://zoom.us/j/93616490433); 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Wed Nov 19 - 11am Staff Meeting (In Person & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899); 1:30pm Journey Group: K. Williams (Off-Site, Briarcliff) 6:30pm Worship Associate Team Planning (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-3131) 7pm Courtesy Rental: ACOA Meeting (Room 11); 7:30pm Journey Group: Tracy Breneman (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-RE); 8pm PlaceKeepers Team (CUUC & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-2210)

Thu Nov 20 - 10am Journey Group: P. Goettel / C. Roberts (Room 11); 7pm Courtesy Rental: Boy Scouts (Room 11); 7pm New Leaf Book Club (Fellowship Hall)

Fri Nov 21 - 9am Prime Time Dance Exercise Group (CUUC & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom -7899) 7pm Books with Barbara (Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-3131); 7pm Journey Group: A. Sehdeva / I. Cox (Fellowship Hall & Online: bit.ly/CUUC-Zoom-7899)

Sanctuary Wi-Fi Network: CUUC Public | Pwd: cuucwp468

Lyrics

#361 Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

Open your ears to the song. Open your ears to the song. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

Open your hearts ev'ryone. Open your hearts ev'ryone. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

Don't be afraid of some change. Don't be afraid of some change. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

#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...