



# ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday December 30, 2018

*Believing in a community that unites all people*

## Pre-Service Quiet

**Prelude** *Appalachian Medley* Charles Innis, Autoharp

## Chalice Lighting

## Welcome & Opening Words

\* **Opening Hymn #38** *Morning Has Broken*

**Story for Children of all Ages** *Owl Moon*

**Offertory** *Ashokan Farewell*  
(Newcomers: please accept this service as our gift to you.  
Do not feel obligated to participate in the offering at this time.  
Please see information below on our new Text-to-Give service )

## Joys & Sorrows

## Pastoral Prayer

**Reading** *Hope from Spiritual Literacy*  
by Frederic and Mary Ann Brussat

**Hymn of Reflection #16** *Tis a Gift to be Simple*

**Reflection** *Hope Made Manifest* Rev. Jennifer Innis

\* **Closing Hymn #118** *This Little Light of Mine*

## Benediction

**Postlude** *Will The Circle Be Unbroken*

\* Please stand in body or in spirit

## SERVICE NOTES

*Our thanks to these volunteers*

**Usher & Greeter:**  
Mara Pentlarge

**Worship Associates:**  
To Be Announced

**Fellowship Hour Sponsors:**  
Members & Friends of UUCW

## UPCOMING SERVICES

Unless noted otherwise  
*Preservice Quiet & Prelude at 9:50 am*  
*Worship Service and RE Classes at 10 am*  
*Fellowship at 11:15 am*  
*Rev. Aaron Payson, Preaching*

**January 6, 2019**  
*What's Your Question*

**January 13, 2019**  
*Unexpected Grace*

**January 20, 2019**  
Martin Luther King Jr. Sunday  
*In Praise of Radical Truth*

**January 27, 2019**  
Worship Arts Sunday  
Details to be Announced

## WELCOME VISITORS

Please come to Fellowship Hall following the service for coffee and an opportunity to learn more about our congregation.

## FELLOWSHIP INFO

**Please!** *No food or drink in the sanctuary during the service.*

11:15 AM: fully-hosted coffee hour with snacks provided by a group at the church.

Please consider making a small donation to the coffee hour collection basket.

Text-to-Give - Without check or cash and want to participate in our weekly offering? From a smartphone text the amount of your contribution to 508-231-5335. First-time contributors will be asked for one-time registration information by Simplegive. Thank you for helping us continue to be a congregation of love, hope and justice!

# UUCW Activity Calendar ~ December 30 - January 6

**Sunday, December 30 - Worship at 10 am, no RE Classes**

**Thursday, January 3**

7 - 9 pm                      Comm on Right Relations      Meeting Room 1

**Friday, January 4**

6 - 8:30 pm                      Friday Game Night              Fellowship Hall

**Saturday, January 5**

9 am - 10 pm                      Indian Community Event Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary

**Sunday, January 6 - Worship and RE Classes at 10 am**

11:45 - 12:30                      COA Parent's Meeting              Lounge

## Regularly Scheduled UUCW Events

### Board of Management

2nd Mon, 6 - 8 pm

### Choir Rehearsal

Th, 7 - 8:30 PM

Sunday, 9 - 9:30 am

### Evening Book Club

2nd Wed, 7 - 8:30 pm, Lounge

### Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

3rd Sat, 10 am - noon, Fell Hall

### Lunch W/Minister & Reader's Unite

1st Wed, Noon-2:15 pm, Lounge

### Meditation Group

Mon, 9:30 - 11 am, Lounge

### Men's Group

4th Fri, 7 - pm, Meeting Room 1

### Refugee Ministry Team

Mon, 9:30 am - noon, MR3

### SNAP Team

Wed, 10 am - noon, MR 2

### Staff Meeting

Mon, 10 am - noon, DRE Office

### Side With Love Task Force

E/O Sun, 11:45 am -1:45 pm, Sanctuary

### Touchstones Small Group Ministry

E/O Tuesday, 7 - 8:30 pm, Lounge

## Hope Made Manifest ~ Rev. Jennifer Innis

The Reverend Jennifer Innis joins us from St. Charles, IL where she enjoys life with her spouse and co-minister the Reverend Patrick Price and their children, Nate and Abby. Her current ministry is Interim Co-Minister at the Unitarian Universalist Society of Geneva, IL with Patrick. She also is the Director for Spirit Play, a story-based program for young children in Unitarian Universalism. Rev. Innis is very happy to return to the UU Church of Worcester and offer worship at the church of her youth.



## Special Collection at Holiday Services

- Rev. Aaron Payson [arpayson@charter.net](mailto:arpayson@charter.net)

During the special holiday services December 23 through December 30, members and friends of the congregation are invited to participate in our special offering project in support of the Minister's Discretionary, Emergency Fund. This fund serves families both within our congregation and the community at large by providing needed resources such as heating oil, gas, clothing, medicine, partial rent, school supplies, etc. for those in need. During 2018 over \$1700.00 was distributed from this fund. Please consider your contribution to this important ministry. Envelopes will be handed out with Orders of Service and extras will be available in the foyer. Thank you in advance for your generosity and compassion. If you prefer to donate to this cause digitally online, please see the most recent UUCW Message.



### CONGREGATIONAL MISSION STATEMENT

The members and friends of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Worcester covenant to be a congregation of love, hope and justice inspiring people to take on the challenges of a changing world.

### WELCOMING CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Worcester strives to further the affirmation and celebration of LGBTQI individuals in all aspects of the church community. We also seek to increase the visibility of UUCW as a Welcoming Congregation within the greater community.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sundays from Sept 24- June 14

*Nursery Care*: 9:50 - 11:15 in the Nursery

*Religious Education*: 10 - 11:15 am, meeting rooms

*Youth Group*: 6 - 8 pm, Fellowship Hall

For information on UUCW RE programs, please email Robin at [robinmitz2015@gmail.com](mailto:robinmitz2015@gmail.com)

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