



# ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday November 27, 2022

*Believing in a community that unites all people*

Pre-Service Quiet

Gathering Music      *Common Ground* by Ivan Linz, Paul Winter,  
Guest Musician & Speaker Jim Scott

Chalice Lighting (Resp. Reading) *Fire of Life*  
by Jim Scott & Star Island Workshop

Welcome      Moira Rouse

\* Opening Song #347 *Gather the Spirit*

Reading      *Who Will Speak for Our Ancestors*

Song for All Ages      *This Web of Life*  
(Children are invited to join Robin in Fellowship Hall after this song)

Joys & Sorrows

Reading      *Blackberries*

Song      *I Am Waiting*

Reading      *Gratitude*

Offertory      *Somos El Barco* by Lorre Wyatt  
(Newcomers: please accept this service as our gift to you.  
Do not feel obligated to participate in the offering at this time.)

Homily      *Harvest on Our Infinite Earth*      Jim Scott

Song      *We Are The Earth*

\* Closing Song      *May Your Life Be As A Song*

Benediction      *Let Us Forgive*

Extinguishing the Chalice

Postlude      *May Your Life Be As A Song (reprise)*

\* Please stand in body or in spirit

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!

## SERVICE NOTES

*Our thanks to these volunteers*

**Worship Associates:**

Moira Rouse

**Audio-Visual Team:**

Betty Jenewin, Paul Marr,  
Chris Ryan, & Frank Sweetser

**Facebook Moderator:**

Sue Neaz

**Church Photographer:**

Betty Jenewin

**Greeter & Connection Team:**

Maya Desai & David Fields

Visit a Connections Team  
Member at the Welcome  
Table for more information  
about 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*

**Sunday, December 4**

*Passing Wonders*

**Sunday, December 11**

*A World of Wonders*

Holiday Services to be announced,  
please watch for this week's  
Nugget email on Wednesday!

## FELLOWSHIP INFO

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

Please join us after the service  
today in Fellowship Hall for coffee  
and conversation!

## UUCW Activity Calendar ~ November 27 - December 4

**Sunday, November 27 - Multi-platform Worship & RE at 10 am**  
**Thursday, December 1**

8 - 10 am	ACE Group Mtg	Fellowship Hall
11 am - 3 pm	Social Threads	Fellowship Hall

**Friday, December 2**

8 am - 8 pm	Craft Fair Setup	All Church Spaces
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**Saturday, December 3**

9 am - 3 pm	Annual Craft Fair	All Church Spaces
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**Sunday, December 4 - Multi-platform Worship & RE at 10 am**

Please visit the Church Calendar for more events by going to the website at [www.uucworchester.org](http://www.uucworchester.org), or scan the QR box with your smartphone!



**It's Poinsettia Time Again!** It's that time again: Poinsettias! We will be selling Poinsettias at Church during coffee Hour, and online. We've decided to go Monochromatic this year and sell RED Poinsettias. These are the flowers that will be in the Sanctuary and are typically in Honor or Memory of a loved one. These names will be in the Order of Service for Vespers. Thank you all so much. Please visit the church website to order Poinsettias online. If you have any questions please speak with Susan Crossley or Nancy Hancock.

**2022 Holiday Shoe Box Project to benefit African Community Education of Worcester** Please see Pauline at the ACE table today to choose an ACE child for this year's Shoebox Project! Pauline can give you the details, or see the most recent Message or the website. Drop off dates in Fellowship Hall on Dec. 4, 11, and 18. Thank you for your good will and generosity. See you in Fellowship Hall.

### WORSHIP ARCHIVE

If you missed last week's service or want to revisit a service from this year or last? Visit the UUCW Worship Archive at <https://www.uucworchester.org/sunday-morning-worship/service-archive/>! Each week we post the service from the previous Sunday to grow our archive of service experiences. These services are also available on the UUCW YouTube Channel.

### OFFICE INFORMATION

**Office Hours:** Office Hours will be Monday and Wednesday 9 am – 3 pm; Thursday 9 am – 2 pm. Jen works from home on Tuesdays from 9 am – 3 pm to accommodate office access needs for other staff. She is available by phone (508-853-1942 ext 102) and email ([office@uucworchester.org](mailto:office@uucworchester.org)) as usual on Tuesdays.

### 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.

## Regularly Scheduled UUCW Events/ Community Groups

### Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, 9 - 9:30 am & 12:15 - 12:45 pm

### Evening Book Club

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

### Get Out The Vote Team

2nd Thurs, 6:30 - 7:30 pm, Zoom

### Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry Setup

3rd Fri, 4 - 10 pm, Fell Hall

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3rd Sat, 8:30 am - noon, Fell Hall

### Lunch With the Minister

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

### Men's Group

4th Fri, 7 pm, Meeting Room 1

### Monday Meditation Group

9:30 - 11:30 am, Zoom

### Side With Love Task Force

1st & 3rd Tues, 6:30 - 7:30 pm, Zoom

### Staff Meeting

Mon, 10 am - noon, Meeting Room 1

### Women's Social Circle

2nd & 4th Sat, Off-Site/Zoom

### Al-Anon Adult Children (ACOA)

Thurs., 7:30 pm, Meeting Room 1

### Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)

Fri., 8 pm, Lounge

### Debtors Anonymous (DA)

Tues., 7 pm, Meeting Room 1

### Greater Worc. Humanists

2nd Tues, 6:30 pm F.Hall

### League of Women Voters Board

2nd Mon, 5:30-7:30 pm, Fell. Hall

### ONE Worcester

3rd Wed, 6 - 8 pm, Mtg Rm 1

### Overeaters Anonymous

Sat., 7:30 am, Meeting Room 1

### WGLN Rainbow Lunch

2nd & 4th Wed, 12 - 2 pm FH

### Worcester Community Drum Circle

4th Fri, 7 - 9 pm, FH

### THE OFFERING - LAST WEEK

<i>Sunday, November 20 pledges</i>	= \$5,694.00
<i>FY2022 Pledges to date</i>	= \$64,999.33
<i>Budgeted FY2020 Pledges to date</i>	= \$72,031.56
<i>Sunday, November 20 offering</i>	= \$298.50
<i>FY2022 offering to date</i>	= \$3,131.01
<i>Budgeted FY2020 offering to date</i>	= \$2,866.67

Sunday, November 20 50/50 collection  
 = \$373.50  
 \$373.50 is for ACE (African Community Education)

### RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION & EDUCATION

*Religious Education:* 10 - 11:15 am; *Youth Group:* 6 - 8 pm, Fellowship Hall  
 For information on UUCW RE programs, please email the RE program at [uucwre@gmail.com](mailto:uucwre@gmail.com)

## Unitarian Universalist Church of Worcester

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*Common Ground* by Ivan Linz, Paul Winter, Jim Scott

In a circle of friends,  
In a circle of sound,  
All our voices will blend  
When we touch common ground.

*Fire of Life* (Responsive Reading) by Jim Scott and Star Island Workshop

All: Fire of Life, cleanse our spirits with heat and flame.

Leader: *Illuminate our path towards Beloved Community,*

Congregation: Light the way of love and peace.

(L) *Take our vessels to the flame*

(C) And from the kiln, be raised anew.

(L) *Let this be our mantra: Melt our pain*

(C) And burn away confusion,

(L) *Ignite our passion*

(C) And spark our voice,

(L) *Draw us close to your hearth*

(C) And warm our souls.

(All) Blessed be, Amen.

*With Every Story Told* by Jim Scott

With every story told, our friendship becomes art.

Each passage of life is a gateway to the heart.

We are one in joy and sorrow and the music of our learning

Is danced in love and harmony with each day of earth's turning.

*We Are the Earth* by Jim Scott

We are the Earth and we speak for creation.

We will not stand by and watch its devastation

And we will not be bought. We will not be deceived.

We are one, we are strong, we are the Earth,

We are one, we are strong, we are the Earth,

*May Your Life be as a Song* by Jim Scott

And may your life be as a song

Resounding with the dawn, to sing awake the light

Then softly serenade the stars

Ever dancing circles in the night.