



# ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday, March 17, 2019

*Believing in a community that unites all people*

## Pre-Service Quiet

**Prelude** *Spring Can Really Hang You Up The Most* by Tommy Wolf  
Guest Musician Nat Needle

## Chalice Lighting

## Welcome & Opening Words

\* **Opening Hymn #1028** *The Fire of Commitment*

## Children's Collection

(Children are invited to attend the Religious Exploration Program following the collection)

## Sending Song

*Go now in peace. Go now in peace.  
May the Spirit of Love surround you.  
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.*

**Reading** Excerpt from *Saints* by Fredric John Muir

**Stewardship Campaign Update** Moira Rouse & John Odell

**Offertory** *It Might As Well Be Spring* by Richard Rogers

(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

**Responsive Reading #517** *The Beauty of the Green Earth*

**Reflection** *On The Nature of Conversion* Rev. Aaron Payson

\* **Closing Hymn #1017** *We Are Building A New Way*

## Benediction

**Postlude** *Variation on an Irish Melody* Traditional

## Announcements

\* 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*

### Usher & Greeter:

Linda Morse

### Worship Associates:

Moira Rouse & John Odell

### 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*

### March 24, 2019

*Youth Group Sunday*  
Details to be Announced

### March 31, 2019

*To Tell the Truth*

### April 7, 2019

Annual Wolfson Lecture  
*Are UU Humanists Believers in The Religion of Technology?*  
Guest Speaker Gregory M. Epstein

### April 14, 2019

*Living the Undivided Life*  
50/50 Collection -  
Central MA LGBT Asylum Task Force

## 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.

## UUCW Activity Calendar ~ March 17 - 24

### Sunday, March 17- Worship and RE Classes at 10 am

noon - 2 pm	Racism & White Privilege Wksp	Sanctuary
1 - 4 pm	Social Threads	Fellowship Hall

### Thursday, March 21

9 am - 3:30 pm	WHEEL Program	All Rooms
5:45 - 7:15 pm	Human Resources Team	Meeting Room 1
6 - 8 pm	MSPCC IEP Training	Fellowship Hall

### Saturday, March 23

8:45 am - 1:30 pm	Medical Reserve Corps	Fellowship Hall
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### Sunday, March 24 - Worship and RE Classes at 10 am

noon - 2 pm	Racism & White Privilege Wksp	Fellowship Hall
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## Women's Runaway Weekend in Rockport, MA April 26-29, 2019

Eighteen UUCW women have signed up for our weekend! There is room for four more, either in a single or a double. To fill the Inn, we are now opening it up to friends and family. The cost for the weekend, which includes 3 nights and 5 meals is \$210 for a single and \$180 for a double. If you know someone who would like to join us, please have them send their check, made out to the Linden Tree Inn, to Ruth Silver, 71 Angell Brook Drive, West Boylston, MA 01583, along with any food allergies/preferences. If you have any questions, email Debbie Merrill at DMerrill@clarku.edu or Ruth Silver at rsilver71@gmail.com.

## Racism and White Privilege Workshop Series

Sundays from noon - 2 pm, Feb 10, through March 31 in The UUCW Fellowship Hall (Sanctuary on the 17ths). UUCW is offering a FREE eight week series of workshops on RACISM and WHITE PRIVILEGE. DESCRIPTION: These workshops are primarily focused on helping white people understand the racial component of their identity, and how to live with authenticity and integrity as a white person in a society grounded in white supremacy. Please see the most recent Message/Nugget or Susan Crossley for more info!

## 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

## Community Groups & Regular Renters

### AI-Anon Adult Children

Thurs., 7:30 pm, Lounge

### Alcoholics Anonymous AA)

Fri., 8 pm, MR 2

### CentMA Lyme Support

2nd Sat 1 - 3 pm FH

### Cerviatto Yoga

Mon, 6 - 8 pm, FH

### Codependents Anon.

Tues, 7:30 pm, MR 1

### Debtors Anonymous DA)

Tues., 7 pm, Lounge

### Greater Worc. Humanists

2nd Tues, 6:30 pm F.Hall

### GWH Steering Comm.

1st Mon 7 pm Fell. Hall

### Jane Fund of Central MA

1st Mon 7 pm Lounge

### MidMass Narcolepsy

EO/2nd Sat 11 am Lounge

### ONE Worcester Board

1st Wed 6 pm MR 3

### Overeaters Anonymous

Sat., 7:30 am, Lounge

1st Sat, 8:45-10:15 am, Meeting Room 3

### WGLN Rainbow Lunch

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

### S-Anon Group

Thur, 7 - 8:15 pm, MR 2

### Worc. Animal Rescue Lg

TBD

### Worc Comm Drum Circle

4th Fri, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, F.Hall

## Upcoming Events:

Please see most recent Message or our website for more info on these events:

*March 17- Social Threads*

### THE OFFERING LAST WEEK

<i>Sunday, March 10 pledges</i>	= \$2,349.00
<i>FY2019 Pledges to date</i>	= \$112,259.64
<i>Budgeted FY2019 Pledges to date</i>	= \$133,875.00
<i>Sunday, March 10 offering</i>	= \$60.00
<i>FY2019 offering to date</i>	= \$3,810.50
<i>Budgeted FY2019 offering to date</i>	= \$4,235.00

### 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 EXPLORATION & EDUCATION

Sundays from Sept 24- June 10

*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 the RE program at uucwre@gmail.com

## Unitarian Universalist Church of Worcester

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Office Hours: M, T, W: 9 am - 3 pm; Th: 9 am - 2 pm

### TEXT ALERTS FROM UUCW

TEXT ALERTS from UUCW are now being offered. In case of cancellation of Worship/RE or other events, you can receive alerts on your smartphone. To sign up, text UUCWORCESTER to 84483. Please note that carrier SMS fees may apply.