



ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday, February 16, 2025

Believing in a community that unites all people

Pre-Service Quiet

Prelude *Prelude* by Frederick Chopin
Music Director Matthew Johnsen

Chalice Lighting *Love Remains the Center* by Eric Hepburn

Introit *Cantabile from Sonata III* by Georg Philipp Telemann
Matthew Johnsen & Guest Musicians

Welcome Side with Love Team

Opening Words *Create Something New* Evan Wilson
by Alix Klingenberg

* **Opening Hymn #1014** *Standing on the Side of Love*

Change for Change Collection

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

Stewardship Moment David Schowalter & Moira Rouse

Choral Anthem *If I Can Keep One Heart from Breaking*
by Emily Dickinson/Pepper Choplin

Joys & Sorrows

Guided Meditation Emily Konstan

50/50 Collection to benefit Worcester Interfaith

Offertory *La fille aux cheveux de Lin* by Claude Debussy
(Newcomers: please accept this service as our gift to you.
Do not feel obligated to participate in the offering at this time.)

Reflection *Harnessing Stories of Love & Justice*

* **Closing Hymn #1015** *I Know I Can*

Closing Words Trans People are Divine,
UUA's Side With Love 30 Days of Love
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Postlude *Ala Brev Sonata 3* by Georg Philipp Telemann

* 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:

Evan Wilson,
Side With Love Taskforce

Guest Musicians:
Mara Pentlarge, Flute;
Jagan-Nath Kahlra, Violin;
Liz Gustafson, Cello

Audio-Visual Team:
Betty Jenewin, Paul Marr,
Chris Ryan, & Frank Sweetser

Online Hospitality:
Dawn Doud &
Rev. Cheryl Leshay

Church Photographer:
Betty Jenewin

Greeter & Connection Team:
Vickie Cox-Lanyon

Fellowship Hour Sponsor:
All of us!

Visit a Connections Team
Member at the Welcome Table
during fellowship hour 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

Sunday, February 23

*The Search for Signs of
Love in the Universe*
Guest Speaker
wren bellavance-grace

Sunday, March 2

Guest Speaker & Musician
Joe Jencks

Sunday, March 9

International Women's Day Service
Joan McGinn & others

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 ~ February 16 - 23

Sunday, February 16 - Multi-Platform Worship & RE at 10 am

Wednesday, February 19

3:30 - 5 pm	HHS MH Taskforce	Fellowship Hall
6 - 6:45 pm	Sound Healing Wksp	Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 23 - Multi-Platform Worship & RE at 10 am

1 - 5 pm	Social Threads	Fellowship Hall
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Please visit the Church Calendar for more events by going to the website at www.uucworchester.org, or scan the QR code with your smartphone!



Harnessing Each Others' Stories of Love and Justice

Addressing injustice and re-orienting our lives for freedom is an ongoing pursuit. With so much happening in our world locally, nationally, and globally, taking in the state of the world and looking for the right path can be overwhelming. Engaging in long-lasting learning and action is best when done in community. Members of UUCW's Side With Love taskforce will share some of their stories of what has motivated them for ongoing learning and action and how they've connected with others.

The Side with Love Taskforce has met regularly as a discussion and action group since 2017. Members meet regularly on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month over zoom to discuss learning, action, and advocacy related to promoting justice. Members are connected to the UUA Side With Love campaign, as well as UU Mass Action, the UU statewide action network.



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 are 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) as usual on Tuesdays, unless she is handling family medical needs.

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.

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Regularly Scheduled UUCW Events/ Community Groups

Addressing Racism Group

E/O Fri, 10 am - noon, Meeting Room 2

Bell Choir

Monday, 6:30 - 7:30 pm, Sanctuary

COA-Adults Small Group

E/O Wed, 6 - 8 pm, Lounge

Choir Rehearsal

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

Evening Book Club

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

Fiber Arts Group

Wed, 7 - 8:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Get Out The Vote Team

2nd Thurs, 6:15 - 7:15 pm, Zoom

Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry Setup

3rd Fri, 4 - 10 pm, Fellowship Hall

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3rd Sat, 9 am - noon, Fellowship Hall

Lunch With the Minister

1st Wed, Noon-1:15 pm, Fellowship Hall

Side With Love Task Force

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

Staff Meeting

Mon, 10 am - noon, Meeting Room 1

UUCW Game Night

1st Fri, 6 - 8:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Women's Social Circle

2nd & 4th Sat, Fellowship Hall/Off-site

Community & Support Groups:

Al-Anon Adult Children (ACOA)

Thurs., 7:30 pm, Meeting Room 1

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)

Fri., 8 pm, Lounge

"Betty Machete" Women's Ukulele Group

E/O Mon, 7 - 8:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Co-dependents Anonymous (CODA)

Mon, 7 - 8:30 pm, Meeting Room 3

Debtors Anonymous (DA)

Tues., 7 pm, Meeting Room 1

NAMI Support Group

1st & 3rd Tues., 6:30 pm, Lounge

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

Overeaters Anonymous

Sat., 7:30 am, Meeting Room 1

Rainbow Explorers Group

Mon, noon - 4 pm, Fellowship Hall

WGLN/ESW Rainbow Lunch/Supper Group

2nd & 4th Wed, 12-2 pm/1st Wed, 4:30-6, FH

Worcester Community Drum Circle

4th Sat, 7 - 9 pm, FH

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION & EDUCATION

Religious Education: 10 - 11:15 am; *Youth Group:* 11:30 am - 12:30 pm & 6 - 8 pm, Fellowship Hall

For information on UUCW RE programs, please email the RE program at uucwre@gmail.com