



# ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday, April 13, 2025

*Believing in a community that unites all people*

## Pre-Service Quiet

**Prelude** *Ballerina* by Yehezkel Raz  
Music Director Matthew Johnsen

**Chalice Lighting** *Come, Come, Whoever You Are*  
by Jelaluddin Rumi, 13thC Sifu poet

**Introit** *Somewhere Out There*  
by James Horne, Barry Mann & Cyntia Weil

## Welcome

**Opening Words** *A Blessing for Risk-takers and Failures*  
by Robin Tanner

\* **Opening Hymn #389** *Gathered Here*

## 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.

**Reflection** *Meeting Failure on the Road* Chaplain Kye Flannery

**8th Principle Moment** *David Schowalter*

**Offertory** *Time in a Bottle* by Jim Croce  
(Newcomers: please accept this service as our gift to you.  
Do not feel obligated to participate in the offering at this time.)

## Joys & Concerns

## Pastoral Prayer

**Musical Meditation #1009** *Meditation on Breathing*

**Litany** *From Fierce Self-Compassion* by Kristin Neff

\* **Closing Hymn #128** *For All That Is Our Life*

**Benediction** words by Mary Anne Radmacher

**Postlude** *East Texas Waltz* by Peter Ostruschko

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\* 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

**Online Hospitality:** Dawn Doud & Rev. Cheryl Leshay

**Church Photographer:** Betty Jenewin

**Greeter & Connection Team:** Vickie Cox-Lanyon & Karen Stephenson

**Fellowship Hour Sponsor:** Religious Exploration Program

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*  
*Unless otherwise noted,*  
*Rev. Aaron Payson, Preaching*

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

**Thursday, April 17**  
Maundy Thursday Universal Communion Service - 7 pm at UUCW

**Friday, April 18**  
Good Friday Ecumenical Tenebrae Service - 7 pm at Salem Covenant Church, 215 Mountain Street East, Worcester

**Easter Sunday, April 20**  
7 am - Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service at Shore Park, 85 Shore Drive, Worcester (UUCW if weather requires)

10 am - Easter Sunday Service  
*The Being in Believing*  
Rev. Aaron Payson

# UUCW Activity Calendar ~ April 6 - 13

**Sunday, April 13 - Multi-Platform Worship & RE at 10 am**

**Thursday, April 17**

7 - 8 pm

Maundy Thursday Service Sanctuary

**Friday, April 18**

7 - 8 pm

Good Friday Service Off Site,  
see other side

**Sunday, April 20 - Easter Sunrise Service at 7 am, at Shore Park,  
see other side for details**

**Sunday, April 20 - Multi-Platform Worship & RE at 10 am**

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



## Meeting Failure on the Road

As we are on the road, on the journeys of family and friendships, creativity and work, and justice in our communities, we encounter difficult parts of the path, challenges that we don't know how to handle, and failure. How do we encounter failure and move through it? We will integrate insights and humor from wise humans to accompany us in these times, as we move forward, imperfect organisms who never stop learning.

Our Guest Speaker today, Chaplain Kye Flannery is an interfaith humanist chaplain in the UMass hospital system, and for fun and grounding practices Buddhist meditation and metalwork, which are not so different as they might seem. We are delighted to welcome Kye once again!

### 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!

### 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.uucworcester.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.

### 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.

## Unitarian Universalist Church of Worcester

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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

### Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, 9 - 9:30 am, 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 Thursday, 4 - 10 pm, FH &

3rd Fri, 8 am - 10 pm, Fellowship Hall

### Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

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, Meeting Room 3

### Debtors Anonymous (DA)

Tues., 7 pm, Meeting Room 1

### NAMI Support Group

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

### 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, all meetings on Sunday.

For information on UUCW RE programs,

please email the RE program at

[uucwre@gmail.com](mailto:uucwre@gmail.com)