



# ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday, May 9, 2021

*Believing in a community that unites all people*

## Pre-Service Quiet

**Prelude** *Child's Play* Music Director Matt Johnsen  
by Clif Hardin

**Chalice Lighting** Words by Claudene (Deane) Oliva

**Introit** *Harbor* Andrea Cruz, Soprano  
by Vienna Teng

**Welcome & Opening Words** Words by Mary Harrington

**Opening Hymn #1051** *We Are*

**Religious Exploration Moment & 50/50 Collection Intro**  
Robin Mitzcavitch, RE Director

**Reading** Excerpt from *Breathe* by Imani Perry

**Offertory & 50/50 Collection Anniversary** by Clif Hardin  
(Newcomers: please accept this service as our gift to you.  
Do not feel obligated to participate in the offering at this time.)

## Joys & Sorrows & Pastoral Prayer

**Musical Meditation** *Song Without Words* by Matthew Johnsen

**Reflection** *Things My Mother Taught Me* Rev. Aaron Payson  
*and Things I Wish She Had*

**Closing Hymn #409** *Sleep My Child*

**Benediction** Words by Linda Susan Ulrich

**Postlude** *Theme of Terms of Endearment*  
by Michael Gore

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:**  
Sheri Linn & Sean Reynolds

**Worship Associates:**  
Paul Marr, Sheri Linn,  
& Rev. Cheryl Leshay

## 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

**May 16, 2021**  
*To be Announced*

**May 23, 2021**  
*Of Sticks and Stones, Names, and Bones*

**May 30, 2021**  
Memorial Day Sunday

**June 6, 2021**  
Heritage Sunday  
Annual Meeting

## 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 ~ May 9 - 16

<b>Sunday, May 9- Outdoor and Online Worship Service, 10 am</b>		
1:30 - 2:30 pm	Social Threads	Fellowship Hall
<b>Wednesday, May 12</b>		
7 - 8:30 pm	UUCW Book Club	Lounge
<b>Friday, May 14</b>		
4 pm - 10 pm	UUCW Food Pantry Setup	Fellowship Hall
<b>Saturday, May 15</b>		
10 am - noon	UUCW Food Pantry	Fellowship Hall
<b>Sunday, May 16- Outdoor and Online Worship Service, 10 am</b>		

Please visit the Church Calendar for more events (including groups that have resumed meeting at the church) by going to the website at [www.uucworcester.org](http://www.uucworcester.org), or scan the QR box with your smartphone!



### Todays 50/50 Collection: Interfaith Hospitality Network of Greater Worcester

The Interfaith Hospitality Network of Greater Worcester (IHN) works in partnership with the faith community to provide shelter and assistance to families with children who are homeless. The program's primary goals are to assist families in increasing their income and to help them secure permanent housing, while providing the critical support services necessary for them to succeed. In addition to IHN staff, these support services involve approximately 1000 volunteers that come from the host and support congregations, as well as the community at large. Our program gives people the opportunity to become involved, to put their beliefs into action by providing hands-on mission work in their own community and to make a difference in the lives of families who are desperately in need.

### Regularly Scheduled UUCW Events/Community Groups (As of May 6)

**Evening Book Club**  
2nd Wed, 7 - 8:30 pm, Lounge  
**Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry**  
3rd Sat, 10 am - noon, Fell Hall

**Al-Anon Adult Children**  
Thurs., 7:30 pm, Lounge  
**Alcoholics Anonymous AA)** Fri., 8 pm, Lounge  
**Debtors Anonymous DA)**  
Tues., 7 pm, Lounge  
**Overeaters Anonymous**  
Sat., 7:30 am, Lounge  
1st Sat,  
**Worc Comm Drum Circle**  
4th Fri, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, F.Hall

#### OFFICE INFORMATION

*Jennifer Landry, Office Administrator*

The church office will be open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 am – 2 pm for the rest of the church year (Jen will work from home on Monday and Tuesday). Summer hours to be announced.

REMINDER: Please make sure emails to the church office are sent to [office@uucworcester.org](mailto:office@uucworcester.org), as the [office@uucworcester.net](mailto:office@uucworcester.net) address no longer works!

#### THE OFFERING - LAST WEEK

<i>Sunday, May 2 pledges</i>	= \$4,934.00
<i>FY2021 Pledges to date</i>	= \$162,493.62
<i>Budgeted FY2021 Pledges to date</i>	= \$161,499.97
<i>Sunday, May 2 offering</i>	= \$85.00
<i>FY2021 offering to date</i>	= \$5,074.33
<i>Budgeted FY2021 offering to date</i>	= \$4,812.50

#### 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 22- June 14*  
*Religious Education: 10 - 11:15 am, Youth Group: 6 - 8 pm, For information on UUCW RE programs, please email the RE program at [uucwre@gmail.com](mailto:uucwre@gmail.com)*

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#### 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