



ORDER of SERVICE - Youth Group Sunday "Overcoming" for Sunday, March 26, 2023

Believing in a community that unites all people

Pre-Service Quiet Elisabeth Johnson Erikson

Prelude *Let It Be* by The Beatles

Chalice Lighting Justin Keyo

Welcome George Bejune

Opening Words Amaya Turner-Clarke

* Opening Hymn #1021 *Lean On Me* George Bejune, Ukelele
by Bill Withers

Change for Change Collection Vieve Sweetser
Collection Song *You've Got a Friend in Me*
by Randy Newman

Story for All Ages *Love* by Matt Pena Vieve Sweetser
Our children are invited to stay at the quiet play tables on the altar!

Offertory Ayre Stephenson-Sweeney
Count on Me by Bruno Mars
(Newcomers: please accept this service as our gift to you.
Do not feel obligated to participate in the offering at this time.)

Joys & Sorrows Vernon Divoll

Pastoral Prayer Amaya Turner-Clarke

Responsive Reading Women's History Month moment.
We ask that you respond by reading the bolded end statement
of each verse.

Reflection Simon Murphy, Sarah Napoleone, Justin Keyo

* Closing Song **Sound of Sunshine**
by Michael Franti & Spearhead
Everyone is invited to place hearts on the tree during the song
(and dance!)

Benediction Vernon Divoll

Postlude and Slideshow *Three Little Birds* by Bob Marley,
Slideshow by Elisabeth Johnson Erikson

SERVICE NOTES

*Thanks to this morning's
Volunteers:*

Worship Associates:

UUCW Youth Group

In Person Audio Team:

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

Facebook Moderator:

Sue Neaz

Church Photographer:

Betty Jenewin

Greeter & Connection Team:

Linda Morse & Maya Desai

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, April 2

Annual Wolfson Lecture
Guest Lecturer Anthony Pinn

HOLY WEEK SERVICES:

Thursday April 6, 7 pm *Maundy*
Thursday Universal Communion
Service at UUCW

Friday, April 7, 7 pm *Good Friday*
Ecumenical Service at Bethel
Lutheran Church in Auburn

Sunday, April 9, Easter Sunday
Ecumenical Sunrise Service at Shore
Park in Worcester

Easter Sunday, April 9

The Loyalty of Fickle Friends

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 stand in body or in spirit

UUCW Activity Calendar ~ March 26 - April 2

Sunday, March 26 - Multi-Platform Worship and RE Classes at 10 am

Friday, March 31

10 am - 10 pm Social Threads Retreat Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 1

10 am - 4 pm Social Threads Retreat Fellowship Hall
6:30 - 8:30 pm 8th Principle Film Screening Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 2 - Multi-Platform Worship and RE Classes at 10 am

Please visit the Church Calendar for more events by going to the website at www.uucworchester.org, scrolling to the bottom and clicking the Church Calendar icon on the left, or scan the QR box with your smartphone!



2023 Dr. Irving & Annabel Wolfson Lecture & Award – Dr. Anthony B. Pinn – Sunday April 2, 2023 The Wolfson Lecture and Award was founded in 2013 following the death of Dr. Irving Wolfson, one of Worcester's first Cardiologists. The award and lecture are named for both Dr. Wolfson and his wife Annabel who was a well-known activist in the region. The first codicil to the last will and testament of Dr. Irving Wolfson reads in part, "The term "liberal religion" shall be defined as religion based solely on reason, and independent of supernatural revelation and tradition, and which religion advocates justice, equity, and compassion in human relations. . . Some portion of each annual lecture should be devoted to the following question: Irving Wolfson and Annabel Wolfson were agnostics who tried to live by the highest moral standards. From where does the motivation come to live by such standards to a person or persons who did not believe in a hereafter of rewards and punishments."



The Lecture is open to the public and may be attended in person or online. A reception in honor of Dr. Pinn (please see church website for full bio) will occur following the lecture. Please visit church website to register for online participation. The Unitarian Universalist Church of Worcester is located at 90 Holden Street in Worcester, MA (at the corner of Holden Street and Shore Drive. For directions please visit www.uucworchester.org. For more information please contact the church at 508-853-1942.

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!

OFFICE INFORMATION

Office Hours : In person: M, W: 9 am - 3 pm; Th: 9 am - 2 pm; by phone (508-853-1942 ext 102) and email (office@uucworchester.org) only on Tuesdays. Please see Message for changes in office hours based on Jen's father's 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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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

Knitting Group

Every other Wednesday, 7 - 9 pm, MR3

Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry Setup

3rd Fri, 4 - 10 pm, Fell Hall

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3rd Sat, 9 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/Fellowship Hall

Al-Anon Adult Children of Alcoholics

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

REC Farmer's Market (June - Dec)

Thurs, 10:30 -11:30 am, Front Lot/FH

WGLN Rainbow Church

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

Worcester Community Drum Circle

4th Fri, 7 - 9 pm, FH

THE OFFERING LAST WEEK

Sunday, March 19 pledges = \$10,638.75
FY2023 Pledges to date = \$128,152.40
Budgeted FY2023 Pledges to date = \$132,698.13

Sunday, March 19 offering = \$203.50
FY2023 offering to date = \$8,257.02
Budgeted FY2023 offering to date = \$6,066.67

Sunday, March 19 50/50 Collection = \$248.50
\$248.50 is for Overlook Farm

RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION & EDUCATION

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