



# ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday, April 16, 2023

*Believing in a community that unites all people*

## Pre-Service Quiet

**Prelude** The Theme from *Schindler's List* by John Williams  
Music Director Matthew Johnsen

**Chalice Lighting** *Blessed Are We* Anne Armstrong  
by Andrea Hawlins-Kamper

**Choral Introit** *Al Shlosha D'varim* UUCW Choir  
by Allan Naplan

**Welcome** Wendy O'Leary

**Opening Words** *Hymn for the Hurting* Dianne Mann  
by Amanda Gorman

\* **Opening Hymn #1051** *We Are...*

## 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.

**Reading** *Homesick* by Anonymous

**Offertory** *Prelude* by Ernst Bloch David Schowalter  
(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** *Prelude* by Ernst Bloch

**Reflection** *Remembering as Resistance* Rev. Aaron Payson

**Litany #721** *They Are With Us Still*

\* **Closing Hymn #1043** *Székely Áldás*

## Benediction

**Postlude** *Prelude Op.32 Number 10* by Sergei Rachmaninov

\* Please stand in body or in spirit

## SERVICE NOTES

*Thanks to this morning's  
Volunteers:*

### Worship Associates:

Anne Armstrong, Dianne Mann,  
Wendy O'Leary, & David Schowalter

### 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 23**  
For The Earth Forever Turning

**Sunday, April 30**  
Annual Music Sunday Service  
The Creative Act - A Way of Being  
Music Director Matthew Johnsen

**Sunday, May 7**  
Our Second Nature:  
On Creative Being

**Mother's Day Sunday, May 14**  
Insights from the  
Hill Top and Wilderness

**Sunday, May 21**  
Worship Arts Sunday  
Rev. Cheryl Leshay

## 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.

# UUCW Activity Calendar ~ April 16 - 23

**Sunday, April 16 - Multi-Platform Worship and RE Classes at 10 am**  
Noon - 2 pm O'Leary Workshop Fellowship Hall

**Friday, April 21**  
6 - 9 pm Garden-On Team Event Fellowship Hall

**Saturday, April 22**  
10 am - 5 pm Lounge Clean-Up Lounge

**Sunday, April 23 - Multi-Platform Worship and RE Classes at 10 am**  
1 - 5 pm Veal Memorial Service Fellowship Hall

Please visit the Church Calendar for more events by going to the website at [www.uucworcester.org](http://www.uucworcester.org), scrolling to the bottom and clicking the Church Calendar icon on the left, or scan the QR box with your smartphone!



**Growing Self-Compassion with Wendy O'Leary – Today, Sunday April 16, Noon (after Coffee Hour)**  
Friends of ALL AGES- please join in on April 16th, following coffee hour in Fellowship Hall for an excellent program brought to us by our own Wendy O'Leary.

Together, we will be planting seeds to grow self-compassion as Wendy guides us through the practices she is writing and teaching about. This is a free program for our friends of ALL AGES. Wendy's book will be available for purchase if desired.



Wendy O'Leary is a long time member of UUCW. She is a certified meditation teacher, educator, and author of three children's books including her most recent book, It's OK: Being Kind To Yourself When Things Feel Hard. She teaches children mindfulness, self-compassion and skills for emotional resilience and well-being. In addition to her work with children, Wendy teaches classes on mindfulness, happiness, and well-being for adults.

## 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.

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@uucworcester.org](mailto:office@uucworcester.org)) only on Tuesdays. Please see Message for changes in office hours based on 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.

## Unitarian Universalist Church of Worcester

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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, Fellowship Hall/Off-Site

### 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 Lunch

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

### Worcester Community Drum Circle

4th Fri, 7 - 9 pm, FH

## THE OFFERING LAST WEEK

Sunday, April 9 pledges	= \$3,345.00
FY2023 Pledges to date	= \$139,227.23
Budgeted FY2023 Pledges to date	= \$142,556.45

Sunday, April 9 offering	= \$117.00
FY2023 offering to date	= \$9,286.78
Budgeted FY2023 offering to date	= \$6,586.67

## 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](mailto:uucwre@gmail.com)*