



ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday, June 4, 2023

Believing in a community that unites all people

Pre-Service Quiet

Prelude *I Am Waiting* by Jim Scott
Music Director Matthew Johnsen

Chalice Lighting *Love Is Our Greatest Purpose*
by Jay E. Abernathy, Jr.

Introit *Valse Lente* by Oskar Merikanto

Welcome

Opening Words *Here We Are* by John Corrado Linda Morse

✳ **Opening Hymn #358** *Rank by Rank*

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 *The Church Has Left the Building*
by Margaret Weis

Offertory *Watchman's Song* by Edvard Greig
(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 *Goin' Home* by Anton Dvorak

Reflection *Delighting in a Legacy of Love and Service*
Rev. Aaron Payson

Litany#591 *I Call That Church Free* by James Luther Adams

✳ **Closing Hymn #103** *For All the Saints*

Benediction

Postlude *Nottorno* by Ottorino Respighi

✳ Please stand in body or in spirit

SERVICE NOTES

*Thanks to this morning's
Volunteers:*

Worship Associates:

Linda Morse

In Person Audio Team:

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

Facebook Moderator:

Sue Neaz

Church Photographer:

Betty Jenewin

Greeter & Connection Team:

Vickie Cox-Lanyon

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, June 11

Religious Exploration Sunday

Sunday, June 18

Learning To Let Go
Father's Day Sunday
Flower Communion
50/50 Collection to benefit
In the Hour of Need Family Shelter

Sunday, June 25

Summer Services Begin
Worship from UUA General
Assembly

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 ~ June 4 - 11

Sunday, June 4 - Multi-Platform Worship and RE Classes at 10 am

11:30 - 1:30 pm Annual Meeting Sanctuary

Wednesday, June 7, Thursday, June 8, Friday, June 9

Yard Sale Setup - All Spaces, All Day. Please see Yard Sale Article below.

Saturday, June 10

9 am - 2 pm Annual Yard Sale All Church Spaces

Sunday, June 11 - Multi-Platform Worship at 10 am

11:30 am - 1:30 pm Church Picnic Rear Parking Lot

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!



The Annual Yard Sale is Coming!! – Saturday, June 10, 2023

Our biggest fund-raiser of the year and one of our most fun events is coming soon!!! The annual yard sale will be held on **Saturday, June 10**. It is a great opportunity to clean out your closets, buy lots of stuff you don't need but really want, and hang out with friends from church and people from the community. Donations will be accepted from 9 am – 7 pm on Wednesday June 7 and Thursday June 8, and 9 – 12 on Friday June 9. No donations will be accepted after noon on Friday. **It takes a village to put this on so if you have time and energy please be in touch with me.** Please see the most recent Message or E-Blast for full details! - Denise Darrigrand (denise.darrigrand@gmail.com)

All Church Picnic! Sunday, June 11, 2023 Following Worship Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for our ANNUAL ALL CHURCH PICNIC, Sunday, June 11 following the Sunday morning Worship Service. Cost is \$5 per adult and a dish to share if you can. We will provide the entrée (burgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, etc.) , lemonade, and watermelon. Please join us for this fun annual event! The picnic is on rain or shine! Please help by signing up to serve on one of the Picnic Teams (Set up, cooking, Serving, Clean Up) by visiting the church website or speak to Aaron.

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@uucworchester.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.

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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 Watch

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

Worcester Community Drum Circle

4th Fri, 7 - 9 pm, FH

THE OFFERING LAST WEEK

Sunday, May 28 pledges = \$1,145.83
FY2023 Pledges to date = \$156,009.39
Budgeted FY2023 Pledges to date = \$166,823.08

Sunday, May 28 offering = \$109.00
FY2023 offering to date = \$11,209.47
Budgeted FY2023 offering to date = \$7,866.67

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