



# ORDER of SERVICE for Sunday February 19, 2017

*Believing in a community that unites all people*

## Pre-Service Quiet

**Prelude** *Sarabande from Partita I* Music Director Matthew Johnsen  
by J.S. Bach

## Chalice Lighting

**Choral Introit** *Peace Like a River*  
United Girls Choir Directed by Rebecca Rosenbaum

## Welcome & Opening Words

\* **Opening Hymn #108** *My Life Flows On In Endless Song*

## Children's Collection

(Children are invited to attend the Religious Exploration Program following the collection.)

## Sending Song

*Go now in peace.  
Go now in peace.  
May the spirit of love surround you,  
Everywhere, everywhere  
You may go.*

**Reading** Excerpt from *White Trash* by Nancy Isenberg

**Offertory** *South African Medley*

(Newcomers: please accept this service as our gift to you.

Do not feel obligated to participate in the offering at this time.

Please see information below on our new Text-to-Give service )

**50/50 Collection** to benefit United Girls Choir

## Joys & Sorrows

## Pastoral Prayer

**Responsive Reading #586** *The Idea of Democracy*

**Reflection** *Waste Not, Want Not* Rev. Aaron Payson

\* **Closing Hymn #121** *We'll Build A Land*

## Benediction

**Choral Postlude** *Let There be Peace on Earth* by S. Miller/J. Jackson

\* 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:** Linda Morse  
**Greeter:** Laura Lenahan

**Fellowship Hour Sponsors:**  
Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

## 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  
6 pm Soulful Sunday Service on 1st Sunday*

### February 26, 2017

Annual Music Sunday Service  
Music Director Matthew Johnsen  
& UUCW Choir

### March 5, 2017

*We Are Climbing The Stairway of Seven*  
Rev. Aaron Payson  
Stewardship Sunday  
UUCW Choir

## 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 ~ February 19 - 26

### Sunday, February 19 - Worship and RE Classes at 10 am

11:45 am - 1:30 pm	Faith Forward	Lounge
11:45 am - 1 pm	SSL Meeting	Meeting Room 2

### Sunday, February 26 - Worship and RE Classes at 10 am

11:45 am - 1:30 pm	Faith Forward	Lounge
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### Regularly Scheduled UUCW Events

#### Board of Management

2nd Mon, 6 - 8 pm

#### Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, 9 - 9:45 am, Sanctuary

Thurs, 7 - 8:30 pm, Sanctuary

#### Evening Book Club

2nd Wed, 7 - 8:30 pm, Lounge

#### Hooks & Needles Group

2nd & 4th Mon, noon - 2 pm, MR 3

#### Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

3rd Sat, 10 am - noon, Fell Hall

#### Lunch W/Minister & Book Grp

1st Wed, Noon-2:15 pm, Lounge

#### Meditation Group

Mon, 9:30 - 11 am, Lounge

#### Men's Group

2nd Fri, 7 - 10 pm, Fellowship Hall

#### Staff Meeting

Mon, 10 am - noon, DRE Office

### Today's 50/50 - United Girls Choir

The United Girls' Choir is New England's fastest-growing youth choral group. UGC currently has chapters based in Branford, Cheshire, Clinton, Hamden, Killingworth, Madison, Milford, North Haven, and Shelton, CT. UGC has collaborated with numerous local choral groups, including the Trinity Boys' Choir, the Branford Chorale, the Clinton Choral Club, and the Greater New Haven Community Chorus, and has performed masterworks including Handel's Messiah, Vivaldi's Gloria and Mendelssohn's Elijah with professional orchestras. United Choir School, the parent organization of UGC as well as the nationally renowned Elm City Girls' Choir, is a private educational institution, which offers musical training and performance opportunities to over 500 talented young musicians throughout Connecticut. The School's mission is to foster a deep commitment to the realization of personal and artistic potential and to cultivate an environment that engenders cooperation, creativity, self-discipline, and, above all, an earnest respect for all people.

**Join us for a Faith Forward "Inquirer's Series" Today - Mar 12, 11:45 am in the Lounge - Rev. Aaron Payson** We are excited to offer a new series for those interested in learning more about our congregation and the Unitarian Universalist movement. Though registration isn't required, it is helpful for our planning purposes. If you are interested in attending any of the sessions, please see the link to register in the most recent Message. Subsequent sessions do not require previous attendance.

Feb 19 - Faith Development for Children & Adults

Feb 26 - Social Action & Community Service

Mar 5 - Pastoral Care & Small Groups

Mar 12 - Membership 101 & Congregational Life

For more information please contact Denise Darrigrand or Rev. Aaron Payson.

### Standing On The Side of Love Task Force Forming - Today, 11:45 am, Meeting Room 2

With the host of campaigns and projects coming from various organizations within our UU movement and from communities around the country, and with the considerable energy that has been generated by the Women's Marches last month and the Rally last week here in Worcester, it is becoming increasingly important for UUCW to strategize about how best to promote and participate this ongoing work. Therefore, we are forming a Standing on the Side of Love Task Force to facilitate a strategy of communal engagement for UUCW in local, regional, national and international campaigns that continue or are forthcoming. Please join us for a discussion of this new venture and what campaigns/issues are most important to address initially, following church TODAY at 11:45 am in Classroom 2.

#### 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 EDUCATION

Sundays from Sept 25- June 11

*Nursery Care*: 9:50 - 11:15 in the Nursery

*Religious Education*: 10 - 11:15 am, meeting rooms

*Youth Group*: 6 - 8 pm, Fellowship Hall

For information on UUCW RE programs, please email Robin at robinmitz2015@gmail.com

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