

ORDER OF SERVICE
February 28, 2016

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ellie Grosso
Worship Associate

OPENING WORDS

INTOIT "Let It Be"

Once & Again Folksingers

African Song

CHALICE LIGHTING

*OPENING HYMN #347 "Gather the Spirit"

STATEMENT OF AFFIRMATION

Love is the spirit of this church, and service its law.
This is our great covenant: to dwell together in peace,
to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

STORY "A Man Named Johnny"

told by Connie Rockman

EXIT SONG Go now in peace, go now in peace,

May the love of God surround you everywhere you may go.

CANDLE LIGHTING A time to share a brief personal joy or sorrow.
A Pastoral Care Associate will be at the candle boat after the service.

SPOKEN AND SILENT MEDITATION

READING "Ozymandias" by Percy S. Shelley

Ellie Grosso

MUSIC "When I'm Gone"

Phil Ochs

SERMON "The Communion We Did Not Pour"

Cal Wacker

OFFERING "Love Alike"

Francis David/Thompson

AFFIRMATION OF GRATITUDE

Let us be grateful when we are able to give,
For many do not have that privilege.
Let us be grateful for all those who share their gifts,
For we are enriched by their giving.
And let us be grateful even for our needs,
So that we may learn from the generosity of others.

CLOSING HYMN #168 "One More Step"

CLOSING WORDS (see insert)

POSTLUDE "Weave Me the Sunshine"

Peter Yarrow

CHORUS Weave, weave, weave me the sunshine out of the falling rain
Weave me the hope of a new tomorrow, fill my cup again.

*Latecomers will be seated at this time.

Parents with young children are invited to use our nursery or sit in the foyer
where you can hear the service and your children can be children.
To create an atmosphere of worship we ask that you refrain from applauding
until the end of the service and turn off all cell phones and beepers.
There are listening assistive headphones on the back wall of the Sanctuary.

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

Today, February 28

Soup Sale after both services

Small Group Ministry Demo in East Wing after both services

Youth Group Parents Meeting, Chapel at 10:15 am

Worship Associates, Library at 10:30 pm

REALM help, Jan's Office at 12:15 pm

United With Kenya Info Session, Chapel at 12:30 pm

NALDC, Rev John's Office at 12:30 pm

World Religions (Christianity) Adult Ed, Library at 12:30 pm

Monday, February 29

Bell Choir, East Wing at 6:45 pm

NVC Practice, Meeting House at 7:00 pm

Stewardship, Fellowship Room at 7:15 pm

O&AF Rehearsal, Sanctuary at 7:45 pm

Tuesday, March 1

RE Council, Fellowship Room at 7:00 pm

Men's Choir at 8:00 pm

Wednesday, March 2

Chamber Choir, Sanctuary at 7:45 pm

Thursday, March 3

Youth Choir at 5:00 pm

Teen Choir at 6:00 pm

Women's Choir at 7:45 pm

Friday, March 4

Shawl Ministry, Meeting House at 12:30 pm

Saturday, March 5

Memoir Writing Adult Ed, Meeting House at 10:00 am

New Member Potluck, East Wing at 6:00 pm

WELCOME! We're glad you're here this morning. If this is one of your first visits with us, please stop to talk with our greeters. They can be identified by the yellow ribbons on their nametags and they are happy to answer any questions you have about our church. Please join us after the service for our Fellowship Coffee Hour for refreshment and conversation. More information about this church and our programs can be found at our website www.uuwestport.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today the Small Group Ministry program will put on a demo in the East Wing after each service. Come and learn more about SGMs.

Need help using our new REALM database? Today at 12:30 Nicole Khanna will be in Jan's office to help you set up your account.

Parent Meetings on monthly theme at 10:15 to 10:45 am in the Chapel today for Youth Group parents.

Your Committee on Ministry will be holding a Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, March 6, immediately after both services in the sanctuary. Come and learn all there is to know about the COM--Why do we have a Committee on Ministry? What does it do? Why is it necessary? Join us for conversation, questions, and answers.

Visit the Camp Jewell Table today to drop off your registration fees and your checks! It's time to go to contract! Thanks. Questions? Contact Cathy at mcelroy.cathy@gmail.com or 203-394-1017.

NLDC is putting together the slate of candidates for the June Annual Meeting for the following elected committees: Board of Trustees, Committee on Ministries, Endowment and NLDC. Please contact any NLDC member with nomination(s), including self-nominations. More information will be included in Soundings, or contact NLDC Chair, Carol Seiple at carol_seiple@yahoo.com.

John Gorka at Voices Café, Sat., March 12 tickets on sale today in the foyer. "Gorka is widely heralded for the sophisticated intelligence and provocative originality of his songs."- *Boston Globe*

Celebrate a special person or event in your life! For more information about contributing flowers for a Sunday service please call Jan in the church office or sign up in the Flower Book. The cost is \$65 and we will take care of all the details!



OUR MISSION STATEMENT: *The Unitarian Church in Westport is a diverse and welcoming religious community, free of creed and dogma, and open to people of all backgrounds and beliefs. We **inspire** and support individual spiritual growth. We **connect** through worship, music, learning, and caring ministries. We **act** in the service of peace and justice.*

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FLOWERS

*Given by Eloise Peterson in honor
of her 85th birthday on February 27.*

The Unitarian Church in Westport

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Ushers at 9:00 J. Cooper, M. Webb, E. Rockman-Blake, L. Hudson
Ushers at 11:00 M. Money, N. McKeever, L. O'Donnell, G. Newell
Rev. Dr. John T. Morehouse, Senior Minister
Rev. Dr. Edward Thompson, Minister of Music
Rev. Debra Haffner, Endorsed Community Minister
Rev. Frank Hall, Minister Emeritus

Mary Collins, Director Religious Education; Cal Wacker, Youth Programs
David Vita, Director Social Justice and Membership