

ORDER OF SERVICE
May 29, 2016

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH

Carrie McEvoy, Worship Associate

INTROIT "Corner of the Sky"

Teen Choir

Steven Schwartz

CHALICE LIGHTING

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.

INTRODUCTION OF COMING OF AGE

Fiona McElroy

COA STATEMENTS

Chris Khanna, Claire Breakell, Conor Breakell

HYMN #322 "Thanks Be for These"

STORY FOR ALL

Cecelia McElroy

COA STATEMENTS

Gabi Dick, DJ Flam, Grady Boruchin, Garrett Landon

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.

MEDITATION

COA STATEMENTS

Jeremy Garskof, Sam Gottlieb, Katrina Schmier

OFFERING "This Is the Moment"

DJ Flam, soloist

Frank Wildhorn

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 READING #515

Jason Laug

POSTLUDE "When You Believe"

Steven Schwartz

*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

Sunday, May 29

Town Hall Budget Presentation, Sanctuary at 11:30 am
COA Family Celebration, East Wing at 12:15 pm
COA Gratitude Ceremony, Sanctuary at 1:00 pm

Monday, May 30

Memorial Holiday, Church Office Closed

Wednesday, June 1

Stewardship, Fellowship Room at 7:15 pm

Thursday, June 2

Gentle Yoga, East Wing at 11:00 am
Youth Choir at 5:00 pm
Teen Choir at 6:00 pm
Special Projects Choir at 7:45 pm

Friday, June 3

Shawl Ministry, Meeting House at 12:30 pm
Showcase! Sanctuary at 7:00 pm

Saturday, June 4

Newcomer Orientation, East Wing at 9:00 am
Farewell Potluck for Rev. Debra Haffner

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.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH

Budget Information Session Join the Finance Committee and the Endowment Committee for a Budget Information Session today immediately following the service, covering

- An estimate of how we'll end the 2015-2016 fiscal year
- The Board recommended budget for 2016-2017, including a brief update on the status of the Canvass
- An overview of the Endowment Fund

We'll have time for questions/answers/feedback afterwards.

Next Saturday, June 4th from 6-8 PM is the potluck dinner for our congregation to say farewell to Rev. Dr. Debra Haffner and Ralph Tartaglione. Today is the last day to RSVP. Sign-up sheets are on the table at the left/rear of the Foyer. Plan to come for a wonderful evening of stories and songs, memories and best wishes.

The women's Group is engaged and energized! Join us for our first Potluck luncheon on June 5 at 11:30 AM at the Meeting House. RSVP Barbara Zimmerman e-mail: nyczimmy@aol.com to say you will be joining us.

Please help us fill the Beardsley Summer Care Bags. Beardsley students who are in the greatest need over the summer receive a Summer Care Bag which includes food, toys, and personal care items. Please look in Soundings and on the social justice table in the foyer for items to donate. We will be collecting through June 12th.

Orientation, Saturday, June 4 from 9:00am-1:30pm. If you're somewhere on the path of deciding whether or not this is community where you can find a supportive environment in which you can truly belong, contribute, learn, and grow as your spiritual journey continues, then our Newcomer Orientation can be your next step. Light breakfast & lunch provided. RSVP David Vita.



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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The Unitarian Church in Westport

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Ushers: B. Stuck, J. Norman, T. Croarkin

Rev. Dr. John T. Morehouse, Senior Minister

Rev. Dr. Edward Thompson, Minister of Music

Rev. Dr. Debra Haffner, Endorsed Community Minister

Rev. Frank Hall, Minister Emeritus

Mary Collins, Director Lifespan Faith Development; Cal Wacker, Youth Programs
David Vita, Director Social Justice and Membership