

MULTIGENERATIONAL SERVICE

9:00 & 11:00 AM

October 11, 2015

PRELUDE "Wisdom of Hillel" Hillel/Thompson
9:00 Men's Choir
"Somebody's Knocking" Thompson
11:00 Women's Choir

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Ellie Grosso
Worship Associate

CHALICE LIGHTING 9:00 Esa O'Reilly

STORY Part I "The Woman Who Outshone the Sun" by A.C.Martinez
Mary Collins, DRE (with Rene Abdalah at 11:00 am)

RESPONSE Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

SONG "This Little Light"
1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
2. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.
3. Building up a world, I'm gonna let it shine.

STATEMENT OF AFFIRMATION (see cover)

SINGLE CANDLE

OFFERING "I Lift My Lamp" Lazarus

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.

STORY Part 2

RESPONSE

HYMN #21 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

STORY Part 3

RESPONSE

SONG "Open the Window"
CHORUS Open the window children, open the window now.
Open the window children. Open the window and let the dove fly in.

CLOSING WORDS Unison Reading
Open the window and let love in.
Open the window and let hope out.
Open the windows and the doors of our hearts
So that all who are in need may find peace and justice.

CONCLUDING HYMN #146 "Soon the Day"

Parents with young children are invited to sit in the first three rows so that
little ones can see and participate.
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, October 11
OWL Parents' Meeting, Chapel at 12:30 pm
Monday, October 12
Gun Violence Prevention, Library at 7:30 pm at 7:45 pm
Tuesday, October 13
Membership Committee, Library at 7:15 pm
Men's Choir at 8:00 pm
Wednesday, October 14
Domestic Violence Task Force, East Wing at 12:30 pm
Worship Associates, Rev. John's Office
Endowment Committee, Fellowship Room at 7:00 pm
Thursday, October 15
Youth Choir at 5:00 pm
Teen Choir at 6:00 pm
Finance Committee, Dorothy Adams Office at 6:00 pm
COM, Meeting House at 7:30 pm
Women's Choir at 7:45 pm
Saturday, October 16
Small Group Facilitators, Meeting House at 10:00 am
Special Project Choir Rehearsal at 10:00 am

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.*

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.

This season be more dazzling than dazed. Get your tickets for the Holiday Fashion Show Oct 18th 4-6 PM in the lobby or by email stewardship@uuwestport.org. This fun event includes a wine and hors d'oeuvres reception Support your UU friends who will be modeling. 100% of ticket proceeds to us - TUCW.

The Eliminating Racism Group will be meeting on Tuesday, October 20th at 7:00 PM in the East Wing. All are welcome.

On Saturday, October 24th at 8:00 pm, the Special Projects Choir will be joined by the Music on the Hill Choir and a professional orchestra from New York in a presentation of Handel's *ISRAEL IN EGYPT*. The choir has spent many months in training and it will be very exciting. It is a gift to the greater community. The Music Committee will be distributing free tickets after both services. Please join us!

Westport Country Playhouse tickets for Arthur Miller's *BROKEN GLASS*. We have a block of tickets for Friday, October 23. Contact David Vita at 203.227.7205 x14 or 203.227.7205 x14.

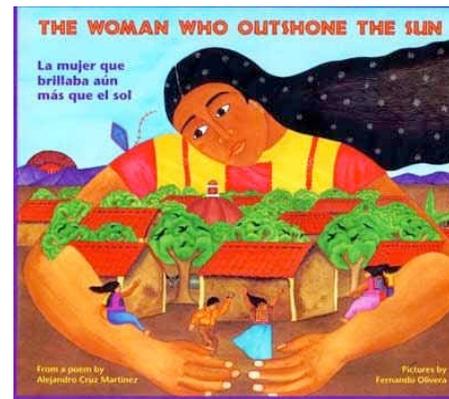
The Pastoral Care Ministry is recruiting members of TUCW who would like to volunteer as Pastoral Care Associates. Please come by our table after the service for more information. A New Pastoral Care Associates Orientation Meeting will be held on Nov. 7th at the Meeting House from 1:00-3:00.

Pastoral Care - If you are going through a challenging time or know somebody in the congregation who needs support from our Pastoral Care Associates, call to leave a confidential message in the PCA voice mailbox (203-227-7205 ext. 19) or email PCA@uuwestport.org

The Unitarian Church in Westport

In worship today we bring to life *The Legend of Lucia Zenteno*, which is part of the oral history of the Zapotec Indians of Oaxaca, Mexico.

Alejandro Cruz Martinez, a promising young Zapotec poet who spent many years collecting the oral traditions of his people, published the story as a poem in 1986. Alejandro was killed in 1987 while organizing the Zapotecs to regain their lost water rights.



We found the story in a children's book called The Woman Who Outshone the Sun, translated in Spanish & English by Rosalma Zubizarreta, illustrated with amazing paintings by Fernando Olivera (published by Children's Book Press, 1991)

We are aware of cultural misappropriation by the dominate culture, and our goal is to honor indigenous people this Columbus Day weekend because of our principles (#1: Each person is important and #4: Our freedom to search for what is true). We welcome diversity.

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.*

FLOWERS

In celebration of the 14th anniversary of my ordination here

with ongoing gratitude, Peggy Block.
Endorsed Community Minister, UU Danbury