

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH  
Connie Rockman, Worship Associate

TESTIMONIAL 9:00 Susan Sherman  
11:00 Luke Garvey

INTROIT "This Easter Morning" J.S. Bach  
Joshua Kaye, violin

CHALICE LIGHTING Worship Associate

\*\*OPENING HYMN #61 "Lo, the Earth Awakes Again"

#### 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.

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

MEDITATION Rev. Morehouse

MUSIC "An Estampie for Easter" Thompson

STORY (11am) Rev. Morehouse

OFFERING "The Greening" 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.

EXIT SONG (11am)  
*Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God  
surround you, everywhere, everywhere you may go.*

SERMON "Interruption & Emergence" Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

CLOSING HYMN #270 "O Day of Light and Gladness"

CLOSING WORDS

POSTLUDE "Allegro" (Sonata in A) G.F. Handel

\*\*Latecomers will be seated at this time.

Parents with young children are invited to use our nursery or to sit  
in the foyer where you can hear the service and your children can  
be children.

Listening assistive headphones are on the back wall of the  
Sanctuary.

**WELCOME!** We're glad you're here this morning. If this is  
one of your first visits with us, please stop by the visitors'  
table (below the WELCOME sign) for information and  
answers to questions you may have about this UU  
community. And join us after the service for refreshments  
and conversation. More information about our programs and  
our Event Calendar can be found at our website  
[www.uuwestport.org](http://www.uuwestport.org)

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH

**Our Annual Budget Drive is Coming to a Close.** If you have yet to do so PLEASE take the time to pledge! You can **pledge** in the lobby after service, on-line through Realm, and/or by e-mailing the church office. We need to understand the funds that will come in so that we can carefully and prudently budget, plan & staff for our next church-year. With so many great things that the church provides to us all & so many exciting programs happening, cut backs would be unfortunate. You can **fulfill your pledge** in whatever way is most convenient: a lump sum, a monthly bank draft, a quarterly credit card, a weekly check... you tell us! We truly are BETTER TOGETHER AS UUs. Let's keep going strong into the next year!

**Small Group Ministry:** Join a group! February's topic: **Emergence**. For info, talk to a representative in the foyer after the services or email Steven Rosenberg at rosen323@aol.com.

**Friday Night @ the Movies:** Friday, Apr. 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Meeting House. Feature #1: **Paddington 2**; Feature #2: **The Shape of Water**. Check uuwestport.org or email shahan@uuwestport.org for details.

**Leadership Training:** Saturday, Apr. 7<sup>th</sup> 9am-12pm in the East Wing. Rev. John Morehouse & Randy Burnham are conducting a workshop for people interested in learning about group facilitation for the Small Group Ministry Program. Participation open to all & not limited to members of SGM, nor is it a commitment to be a facilitator. For registration and/or more information, please contact Steven Rosenberg at [rosen323@aol.com](mailto:rosen323@aol.com).

**Newcomer Orientation:** Saturday, Apr. 7<sup>th</sup> from 1-5pm. UU history & Seven Principles discussion and Q&A. Come meet other newcomers. For info contact David Vita ([david@uuwestport.org](mailto:david@uuwestport.org); 203/227-7205x14).

**Save the Date!** Sunday, April 8th, 4:00pm: Violinist Margie Cooper performs a violin recital, accompanied by Ed Thompson at the piano. This **FREE** concert is sponsored by Marion Wertheim and dedicated to her late husband, Joe. Music of Bach, Mozart, Dvorak & others, including the Pachelbel Canon like you've never heard it! This wonderful form of remembrance is a festive event followed by refreshments.

**UU Grief Support Group:** 6 consecutive meetings from 7-8:30pm in Rev. John's office starting Monday, April 16th. Whether your loss is recent or from the distant past, all welcome to join. To register & for more info, contact Pat 203/893-1781 ([patfrancek@gmail.com](mailto:patfrancek@gmail.com)) or Janet 203/722-3634 ([jlungo3@optonline.net](mailto:jlungo3@optonline.net))

**What does it mean to be Better Together as UUs?** We want to know what this means to you. We invite all to answer this question on post-it notes which you can then stick onto the bulletin board next to the Pledge table in the foyer, creating a Word Cloud of answers for all to see & appreciate.

## "*Interruption and Emergence*"

Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

April 1, 2018



## The Unitarian Church in Westport

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Ushers 9:00: L. Albo; M.J. Cross; J. Sandler

Ushers 11:00: E. Belmont; T. Croarkin; M. Garvey; C. Prescott

Rev. Dr. John T. Morehouse, Senior Minister

Rev. Dr. Edward Thompson, Minister of Music

Rev. Frank A. Hall, Minister Emeritus

Julio Torres, Intern Minister

Mary Collins, Children's Program Coordinator

Shahan Islam, Youth Program Coordinator

David Vita, Director of Social Justice and Membership

**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.*