

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH

David Smith, Worship Associate

INTROIT "Help Me See"

Once & Again Singers

Joyce Poley

CHALICE LIGHTING

Worship Associate

OPENING WORDS

Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

\*\*OPENING HYMN #121 "We'll Build a Land"

COVENANT

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 (11:00)

EXIT SONG

*Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God surround  
you, everywhere, everywhere you may go.*

LEADING LIGHT AWARD

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

MUSIC "Hold Everybody Up"

Melanie deMore

SERMON "The Good We Cannot See" Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

OFFERING "Emily's Prayer"

Dickinson/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 "When Our Heart is in a Holy Place" Joyce Poley

*When our heart is in a holy place,  
When our heart is in a holy place,  
We are blessed with love and amazing grace,  
When our heart is in a holy place.*

CLOSING WORDS

POSTLUDE "Give Us Hope"

Jim Papoulis

\*\*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

### Dear TUCW Congregation:

Our church is undertaking a strategic planning process to set the course for its future. We began the work through visioning sessions held on Saturday, September 15. At these sessions, we asked the participants several questions about the future of our church. We had over 70 people attend our sessions, and now we would like to gather input from you.

By now you should have received an email with a short (5 brief questions) survey about your experience with the church, and your hopes for its future. If you were not able to attend one of the visioning sessions please take a few moments to fill it out. The survey will be open until September 30. We will be delighted to receive your input! Thank you.

**CAMP JEWELL RETREAT:** October 12-14<sup>th</sup>. Sign up NOW! Register online ([uuwestport.org](http://uuwestport.org)) or at the lobby table after both services. Contact Cathy McElroy, Elena Rockman-Blake, or Eileen O'Reilly for more information. Chaperones for Youth Group needed!

**Soup Sales:** TODAY after each service. We are raising money to offer financial aid to insure that all families interested in attending Camp Jewell are able.

**Diaper Collection for Mercy Learning Center:** Sizes 4, 5 & 6. Every Sunday. A lack of clean diapers leaves babies at risk of developing diaper dermatitis, skin breakdown, open sores susceptible to infections, and urinary tract infections, all of which are preventable with an adequate supply of fresh diapers.

**UU Movie Discussion Group:** Friday, Sept. 28 @ 7:30pm in the Meeting House. Featured movies: **Crazy Rich Asians**, **BlackKlansman** and **The Wife** or **Juliet, Naked**. Email Lorna [ld06824@gmail.com](mailto:ld06824@gmail.com) for more info.

**Grief Support Group:** Six weeks beginning Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, from 7-8:30pm in Rev. John's office. Co-leaders are Pat Francek, MSW, and Chuck Harrington, Ph.D. To register, please call Pat at 203/893-1781 or email [patfrancek@gmail.com](mailto:patfrancek@gmail.com).

## *The Good We Cannot See*

Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

September 23, 2018



## The Unitarian Church in Westport

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Ushers 9am: J. Cooper; L. Hudson; Marguerite Webb

Ushers 11am: J. Glasser Orenstein; K. Leddy; G. Newell; L. O'Donnell

Rev. Dr. John T. Morehouse, Senior Minister

Rev. Dr. Edward Thompson, Minister of Music

Rev. Frank A. Hall, Minister Emeritus

Margalie Belizaire, Intern Minister

Sandra Clements, Acting 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.*