



The Unitarian Church in Westport Soundings

10 Lyons Plains Road Westport, CT 06880
Phone: 203-227-7205

website:
uuwestport.org

Voices Café Opens its 8th season with Bettman & Halpin on Sat., Oct 13



The extraordinary acoustic music duo Bettman & Halpin will be kicking off Voices Café's 8th season on Saturday, October 13 at 8 pm.

Americana folk duo Bettman & Halpin comprised of singer/fiddler Stephanie Bettman and multi-instrumentalist Luke Halpin have been wowing critics across the country. Roz Larman, Folkscene radio KPFK Los Angeles said,

"Their singing and playing is literally out of this world".

Bettman, a singer with an angelic voice and a magical touch with the fiddle elicits comparisons to such legendary singers as Emmylou Harris, Joan Baez, and Alison Kraus.

Her musical partner Luke Halpin is a renowned multi-instrumentalist singing, playing guitar, mandolin, fiddle, and banjo.

Together, Bettman & Halpin are fast earning a reputation in folk and bluegrass circles for mesmerizing performances filled with irresistible lyrics, transcendent harmonies and roof-raising instrumentals.

Listen to them here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B9idj6KuNRk>

Purchase tickets here: <https://voicescafe.org/show/bettman-halpin/>

SUNDAY SERVICE - October 14, 2018 - 9:00 & 11:00 AM

UPCOMING EVENTS

Child care is provided for Sunday Services & on an as needed basis for other events. Organizers of events should contact [Saundra Clements](mailto:Saundra.Clements@uuwestport.org) to arrange child care.



Sat Oct 13
CAMP JEWELL

Pastoral Care Associates
- MH - 1:00

Voices Cafe - Foyer -
8:00

Sun Oct 14
Meditation - Elm Room -
10:45

TUCWomen Brown Bag
Lunch - MH - 12:30

Mon Oct 15



"Finding Sanctuary" - Rev. John Morehouse

All of us yearn for sanctuary from the storms of our lives and the challenges of our identities. In this sermon Rev. John will explore the meaning of sanctuary in all its guises and how we can radically welcome those in need of our love.

Worship Associate: JoAnn Orenstein

Pastoral Care Chaplain: 9:00 Charles Harrington - 11:00 Ravi Sankar

Music: Once & Again Singers sing at both services

#MeToo Sacred Circles for Healing

Hardly a day goes by that we do not hear about yet another instance of sexual harassment, abuse or assault - but the ongoing confirmation process for Judge Kavanaugh has been nearly overwhelming. No matter what ultimately happens to Brett Kavanaugh and the women who accuse the Supreme Court nominee of sexual misconduct, the Senate hearing on the allegations will offer a historic test of the #MeToo movement. While we have witnessed the removal of men like Harvey Weinstein, Al Franken, Matt Laurer and Charlie Rose, our congregation's response to #MeToo is also about believing survivors and offering safe places for speaking out and healing. The treatment of Kavanaugh's accusers raises questions about whether these parts of the mission of the larger movement will remain largely unfulfilled.



In passing the Resolution last June, we affirmed a commitment to responding effectively to sexual harassment, abuse and assault within our walls and in our communities and to reach out both within our denomination and to other communities of faith to invite partnership in addressing #MeToo issues. This month our congregation, in partnership with the Saugatuck Congregational

Bell Choir - 6:45

Intern Minister Committee
- Lib - 7:00

Grief Support Group -
Rev. John's office - 7:00

O&A - 7:45

Tues Oct 16
BOT - EW - 7:00

Wed Oct 17
Buddhist Practice Group -
MH - 7:00

Chamber Choir - 7:45

Thurs Oct 18
Children's Choir - 5:00

Finance Committee - FR
- 6:00

Teen Choir - 6:00

Men's/Women's Choir -
7:45

Fri Oct 19
Shawl Ministry - MH -
12:30

Sat Oct 20
A Better Man - MH - 8:00

Small Group Facilitators -
10:00

Sun Oct 21
OWL Parents - YR -
10:00

OWL - OWL Room -
10:00

Meditation - Elm Room -
10:15

6th-7th Grade "Reflect" -
MH - 11:00

Youth Group (9th-12th) -
YR - 11:00

Build Your Own Theology
- EW - 12:30

Mon Oct 22

Church, will be offering #MeToo Interfaith Sacred Circles for Healing.

Please check out the [attached flyer](#) and if you, or someone you know might like to participate in these inaugural sessions, e-mail metoo@uuwestport.org or call Lynda for more information and register to attend.

*Lynda Shannon Bluestein, MPH
Chair, #MeToo Team*

Our Children, Our Future



Can you give an hour each week to a young student struggling with her math or learning how to read? Or perhaps, you would enjoy reading a beautiful picture book to a class once a week? The Beardsley School still needs people like you. To learn more about this opportunity for service please stop by the Beardsley Board table in the lobby this

Sunday after both services.

If you only have one day to spare this fall, please sign up for the Beardsley Read Aloud Day on October 18. Forms will be at the Beardsley Board table after both services.

Contact Linda Brewster - lbrewste@optonline.net

Diaper Collection for the Mercy Learning Center: Sizes 4, 5 & 6 are needed

Diapers. A luxury item? One would think not but for 1 in 3 families in the US that is the case. Nearly half of all children under 6 in the United States are living in low-income households. For these families, the cost of diapers can be prohibitive. A Feeding America survey found 48 percent of food bank clients who used diapers would delay changing a diaper to make their supply last longer, and 32 percent would try to reuse a disposable diaper.

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.

Beginning this Sunday, September 23, 2018, and going forward we will be collecting diapers for the Mercy Learning Center at the social justice table in the foyer. Diaper sizes 4, 5 & 6 are needed.



There will be a memorial service on Monday, October 15 at 4:00 PM
for Jim and Jaydee Perry hosted by Jaydee's son, Eric Fox.
Reception to follow the service.

Bell Choir - 6:45

Grief Support Group -
Rev. John's office - 7:00

NVC Practice Group - FR
- 6:30

Wed Oct 24

Buddhist Practice Group -
MH - 7:00

Worship Associates -
Rev. John's office - 7:00

Thurs Oct 25

Children's Choir - 5:00

Teen Choir - 6:00

Membership Team - EW -
7:30

Men's/Women's Choir -
7:45

Fri Oct 26

UU Movie Discussion -
MH - 7:30

Sun Oct 28

Addiction & Recovery
Ministry (ARM) - EW -
9:00

Meditation - Elm Room -
10:15

Meditation - Elm Room -
10:15

OWL Parents - YR -
10:00

OWL - OWL Room -
10:00

Meditation - Elm Room -
10:15

6th-7th Grade "Learn" -
MH - 11:00

Youth Group (9th-12th) -
YR - 11:00

Build Your Own Theology
- EW - 12:30

Women's Group Planning

There will be a Circle of Remembrance for Sarah Louise Kish
on Sunday, October 21st at 12:30 PM in the Sanctuary.

Session - MH - 12:30

[SEE TUCW'S
CALENDAR FOR
MORE INFORMATION](#)

Your COM wants to know!



The Committee on Ministries ensures the fulfillment of our congregation's mission and vision to *Inspire, Connect, and Act*. As the input of the people who make up our congregation is essential to our charge, we want to hear from you. We kicked off the new year with you at the EXPO by asking for your thoughts on being of service, and we heard so many valuable comments that we want to hear more. We will have a table in the foyer the third Sunday of each month to answer your questions and listen to your feedback and ideas. To help make this easy for everyone, we will have a question of the month... and a little treat. This month's questions are: *What is sanctuary to you? How has*

TUCW provided sanctuary to you, and how have you provided sanctuary? Our next COM table discussion is happening on October 21st after each service. Please stop by to talk with a member of your COM.



The UUWestport Players will perform *Bakersfield Mist*
on Friday, November 2, Saturday, November 3 at 8:00 PM and
Sunday, November 4 at 3:00 PM in the sanctuary.

Ninety minutes long with no intermission, *Bakersfield Mist* is inspired by true events. This hilarious and thought provoking comedy-drama asks vital questions about what makes art and people truly authentic.



TUCWOMEN

Celebrate fall and our wonderful community of women.

Come to a Brown Bag Lunch.

Sunday, October 14, 12:30 PM after the 11:00 Service
in the Meeting House

Bring your lunch and share good conversation.

Are you receiving TUCWomen email notices? If not or if you are not sure

sign up here --> <https://goo.gl/forms/2RA8gtacLPeR2Xre2>

Questions about TUCWomen? Send them to tucwomen@uuwestport.org



Come to a Potluck.



Friday, October 19th, 6:30 PM at the home of
Maria Mendoza-Smith in New Canaan

Bring something to share or, if you are too tired to cook, just come.

All women are invited.

RSVP to Sudha Sankar - sudhasankar100@yahoo.com

Baubles! Bangles! Beads!

Your donations will be someone else's treasure!

**The Holiday Jewelry Boutique is coming
the first two Sundays in December.**

Bring your donations of jewelry and scarves to the church.

Do you have broken gold and silver jewelry?
Donate that too. We will turn it into cash for the Church.

Be sure to label your box or bag with your name so that we can
send you a tax receipt.

Questions to Sharon - sharon@slpoole.com



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



[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about our Pastoral Care Associates.

you are not alone!

For individuals or families of our congregation seeking confidential support or information about addiction issues... please contact our Addiction Recovery Ministry by calling 203-227-7205 ext. 19 or emailing pca@uwestport.org.

UPCOMING SERVICES

October 21, 2018 - 9:00 & 11:00 AM - Rev. John Morehouse
"Crossing Borders, Finding Home"

October 28, 2018 - 9:00 & 11:00 AM
"My Dog Parker and Me" - Rev. Frank Hall, Minister Emertius

November 4, 2018 - 9:00 & 11:00 AM
The Moral Power of Memory (Veterans Day)

November 11, 2018 - 9:00 & 11:00 AM - Rev. John Morehouse
"In Memory of Them" - Rev. John Morehouse

November 18, 2018 - 9:00 & 11:00 AM
Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

November 25 2018 - 9:00 & 11:00 AM
David Vita, Director of Social Justice and Membership, will preach.



LIFESPAN FAITH DEVELOPMENT



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018

THIS WEEK INFORMATION for (Pre-K to 3)

UU Principal #1: Each and every person is important.

Theme: Sanctuary

Topic: Being a shelter for each other.

PreK-3rd:

*** 9:00 am and 11:00 am**

LOWER LEVEL - Pine Room

*** Camp Jewel for older ones**

*** Adult meditation downstairs in chapel room ~ 10:15-10:45**

am first 3 Sunday's of the month.

Families Please pick up children after service ends 😊 Then together get that snack & cup of



[CLICK HERE](#) for Pre-K-5 FAMILY "take-home" for SUNDAY, October 14, 2018.

4th and 5th signup genius

A big thank you to all who have signed up to volunteer to teach 4th and 5th grade LFD/11:00 am/Birch room.



Please feel free to sign up here at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054ea8a923a02-45th2> or call [Saundra Clements](#) 203-216-7708 cell/text



We still need:

- * 11/11/18 two volunteers needed
- * 1/6/19 one volunteer needed
- * 2/3/19 one volunteer needed
- * 3/3/19 one volunteer needed
- * 3/24/19 two volunteers needed
- * 4/21/19 two volunteers needed

YOUTH GROUP

A graphic featuring the word "UPCOMING" in white on a black circular background on the left. In the center, the word "EVENTS" is written in large, bold, red letters. To the right, there is a small, spiral-bound desk calendar with a red cover and the word "Calendar" on it. The calendar shows the month of October with dates 1 through 31 visible.

SOME DATES:

- * **October 12 (Fri)-14 (Sun):** Camp Jewell
- * **November 9 (Fri)-11 (Sun):** CON at TUCW
- * **November 25 (Sun):** Wreath Sales 10:00 am-12:45 pm
- * **December 2 (Sun):** Wreath Sales 10:00 am-12:45 pm
- * **December 23 (Sun):** YG Holiday Party w/alums 11:00 am-12:30 pm
- * **March 15 (Fri) - 17 (Sun):** CON at TUCW
- * **March 17 (Sun):** Youth Services (both)
- * **April 26 (Fri)- 28(Sun):** Youth (8th Gr) BOSTON Trip
- * **May 5 (Sun):** Youth (8th Gr) Coming of Age Ceremony

* **May 19 (Sun):** Youth (8th Gr) comes to Youth Group

* **June 2 (Sun):** Bridging Ceremony (Seniors)

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.