



The Unitarian Church in Westport Soundings

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The top 10 reasons to come to the Cabaret:

1. **it is fun**
2. **you are a fun-loving person**
3. **music/poetry sung/recited by people you actually know!**
4. **where else can you hear Broadway, Elvis Presley, and Kabir poetry (read in the original language!) all in the same evening.**
5. **this is a BYO, meaning that you can bring you own culinary delights for yourself and all of your friends!**
6. **there will be sing-along songs, just like Karaoke!**
7. **you can catch up on all of the latest comings and goings**
8. **here is nothing religious about this, save your laughter!**
9. **hear some music and poetry that is original; this means you have never heard it before**
10. **it is free!!!!**

Saturday, February 9th, 8:00 pm.

As usual, it will be a BYO drink/snack/dessert at the Cabaret itself for those who do not wish to attend the dinner. More details next week.

Please note, there will NOT be a dinner preceding this event.

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 Feb 9
Voices Cafe Workshop
- EW - 9:00

Sight Singing -
Sanctuary - 9:30

Voice Classes -
Sanctuary - 11:15

Pastoral Care Chaplins
- MH - 1:00

Cabaret - Sanctuary -
8:00

SUNDAY SERVICE - FEBRUARY 10, 2019 - 9:00 & 11:00 AM



"Creating Trust" - Rev. John Morehouse

Rev. John will explore the conditions necessary for trust to exist between each other and ourselves.

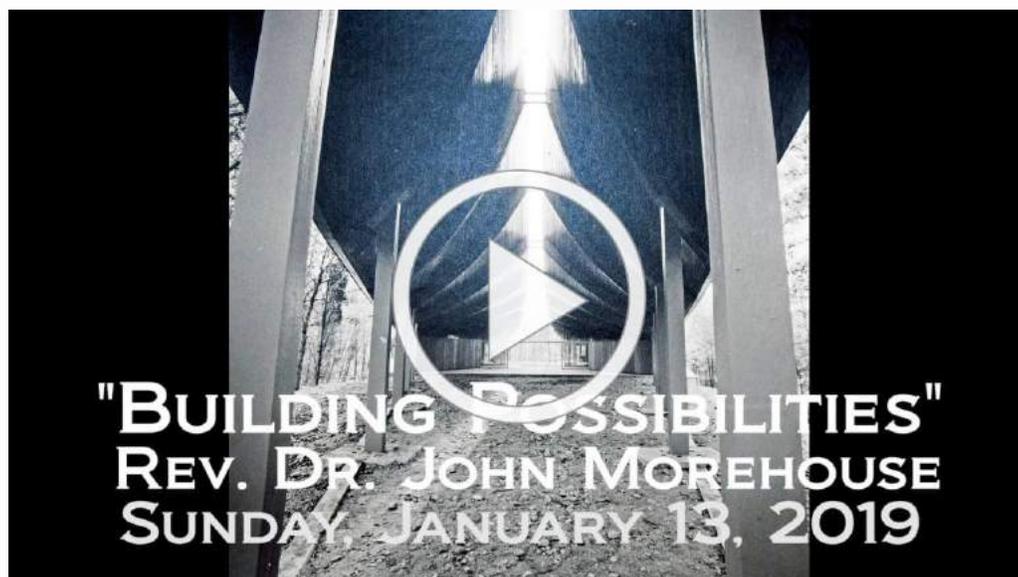
Worship Associate: Connie Rockman

Pastoral Care Chaplain:

9:00 Jim Francek - 11:00 Ron Taylor

Music: Men's/Women's Choir and guest instrumentalists for jazz selections.

Sunday, January 13, 2019



"Building Possibilities" - Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

Sunday, January 20, 2019

Sun Feb 10

8th Grade OWL - OWL Room - 10:00

8th Grade OWL Parents - YR - 10:00

Meditation - Chapel - 10:15

4th/5th OWL - Chapel - 11:00

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

Climate Change Conversation - Sanctuary - 12:30

TUCWomen Brown Bag Lunch - MH - 12:30

Harvest the Power - EW - 12:30

Mon Feb 11

NVC Practice Group - FR - 6:30 pm

Buddhist Practice Group - MH - 6:30

Bell Choir - 6:45

Intern Minister Committee - Library - 7:00

Tues Feb 12

Courageous Faith - FR - 6:30

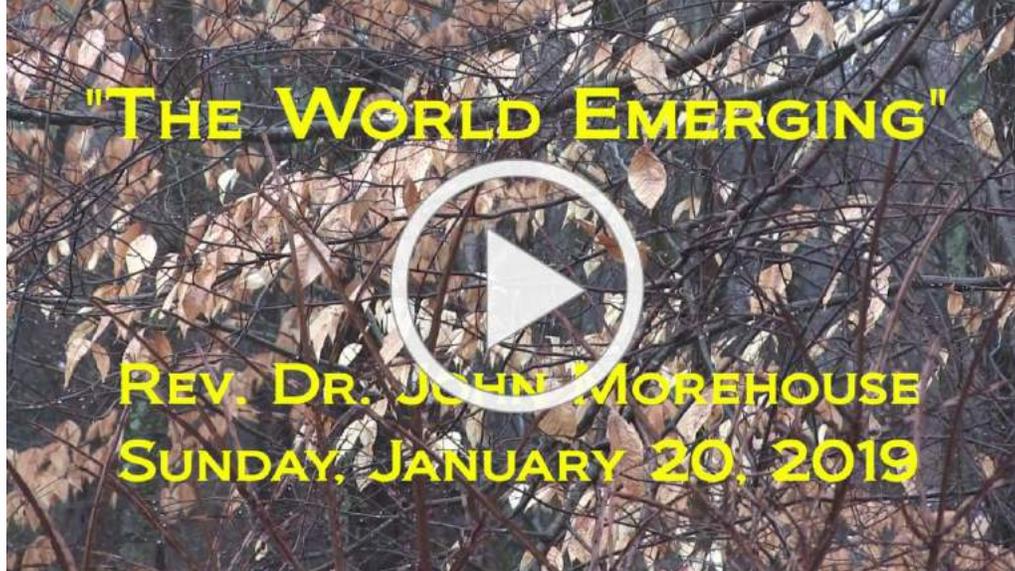
Men's Choir - 8:00

Wed Feb 13

Domestic Violence Task Force - EW - 12:30

Eliminating Racism - EW - 7:30

COM - Rev. John's office - 7:30



"The World Emerging" - Rev. Dr. John Morehouse

Thurs Feb 14
Capital Campaign
Team - Library - 1:00

Children's Choir - 5:00

Teen Choir - 6:00

Membership Team -
EW - 7:30

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

Sat Feb 16
A Better Man - MH -
8:00

Small Group
Facilitators - MH -
10:00

Sun Feb 17
8th Grade OWL - OWL
Room - 10:00

8th Grade OWL Parents
- YR - 10:00

Meditation - Chapel -
10:15

4th/5th OWL - Chapel -
11:00

Harvest the Power -
EW - 12:30

Mon Feb 18
Buddhist Practice
Group - MH - 6:30

Bell Choir - 6:45

O&A Singers - 7:45

Tues Feb 19
BOT - EW - 7:00

Men's Choir - 8:00

Wed Feb 20
Stewardship
Committee - FR - 7:00

Chamber Choir - 7:45

JAZZ

On Sunday, February 10, the music for the 11:00 service will be in the jazz genre. Four outstanding players will join the Men's/Women's Choir for a morning of very interesting music. Jim Clark (sax), Will Comer (piano), Eric Gribin (percussion) and Jim Andrews (bass) are four of Fairfield County's most outstanding players. They will be right here in our sanctuary to help us worship. I hope you will be here to experience it!



CLIMATE CHANGE MEETING



SUNDAY, FEB. 10 ~ 12:30-2:00

THE UNITARIAN CHURCH IN WESTPORT
10 LYONS PLAINS RD. WESTPORT, CT

Climate Change Conversation

On Sunday, February 3rd, the Unitarian Church of Westport hosted its second discussion about climate change to encourage an ongoing, active dialogue among members of our congregation and community at large.

Our society is facing, not only a catastrophic environmental crisis, but also an emerging public health crisis. Participants continued to share and synthesize what they knew about climate change before moving into a shared experience of meaning. For example, members contemplated what climate change could mean to them as individuals, as family members, and participants in various communities, as well as citizens of our country and world.

Participants began to consider various pathways for getting involved in taking action for change. This Sunday, February 10, we will focus our energies on beginning to create effective pathways to move forward as a group.

As humanity works against the clock to slow down the process of climate change, we don't have the luxury of doing nothing. The group will meet Sunday, February 10, from 12:30-2:00 pm in the sanctuary

Thurs Feb 21
Capital Campaign
Team - Library - 1:00

Children's Choir - 5:00

Finance Committee -
FR - 6:00

Teen Choir - 6:00

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

Fri Feb 22
Shawl Ministry - MH -
12:30

UU Movie Discussion -
MH - 7:30

Sat Feb 23
Newcomers'
Orientation - EW - 9:00

Sun Feb 24
6th-7th Grade "Reflect"
- MH - 10:00

8th Grade OWL - OWL
Room - 10:00

8th Grade OWL Parents
- YR - 10:00

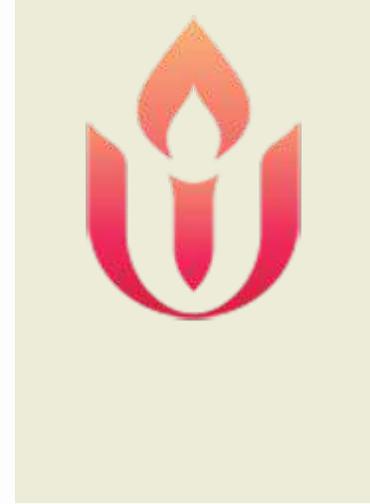
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10:15

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

4th/5th OWL, YR -
11:00

Harvest the Power -
EW - 12:30

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



Thank you to the members of the Shawl Ministry who so generously give of their time and talents to bring comfort and joy to others. The Beardsley School Kindergartners were thrilled with their hats and scarves!



TUCWOMEN

It's chilly outside but never where TUCWomen gather to share food and conversation. Come to the February Potluck at the home of Sharon Poole Bittenbender in Easton. Friday, February 22nd 6:30 PM. Bring something to share or just come; there is always plenty.

RSVP Sharon at sharon@slpoole.com

Quotable Women Brown Bag Lunch This Sunday, February 10th.

Our Discussion Guide will be Cheryl Dixon Paul. who will bring this quotation:

"One is not born, but rather becomes, a woman." ~ Simone de Beauvoir

Come reflect on how this reflects your life and experience; enjoy the wisdom and compassion of the women of our Church Community.

All women are invited!

Are you receiving TUCWomen email notices?
If not or if you are not sure
sign up here --> [Add me to the list!](#)

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



Choral Chameleon presents Storytime Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 7:30 pm The Unitarian Church in Westport

Award-winning 10-voice vocal ensemble, Choral Chameleon, takes you on a whimsical journey through the magic of choral storytelling.

Harnessing powerful commentary in the style of the Greek chorus combined with the beauty and empathy of human singing, this unique performance will narrate rich life stories, of both a sacred and a secular ilk, through the lenses of composers from across five centuries, including: Mateo Flecha el Viejo, Josquin des Prez, The Beatles, and others.

The program will also feature two new commissions: "Footnotes to a History of Music" by 2018-2019 Composer-In-Residence, Dale Trumbore and an arrangement of "The Gambler" by the band FUN by Michelle Coladonato. Mark your calendar now for a concert experience you won't forget!

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information and tickets.

Buddhist Practice Group

Each Monday at the meeting house from 6:30 to 8:99 pm until February 25 and will resume April 1.

Please let Nina know you are attending by emailing her at ninazcara@gmail.com.



Capital Campaign News



The Capital Campaign Team wants to share information regarding the need to raise funds for critical repairs and renovations to our beautiful, nearly 70-year-old building. Please read these documents to learn about the issues and problems we are facing. Members of the Capital Campaign Team, the Board, and the Committee on Ministries are ready to answer questions at the COM table in the foyer after each Sunday service. Stop by to ask questions and share your thoughts.

[High Priority Projects for 2019 Capital Campaign](#)

[The Capital Campaign Update](#)

[2019 Capital Campaign Timeline](#)

Meditation is led by Janet Luongo and others from 10:15 to 10:45 every Sunday in the Children's Chapel/Maple Room) by the downstairs entrance. We center on our inner light and sense our inter-connectedness with all, using a variety of traditions from mindfulness and music to yoga and Zen.



For more information, contact Janet Luongo - jluongo3@optonline.net

BUILDING AN ABUNDANT COMMUNITY

2019
ANNUAL CANVASS



Save the Date

**March 2, 5:00-8:00 pm
Abundant Community Potluck**



NOCTURNAL EMISSIONS TOPIC AT UPCOMING DARWIN DAY DINNER

What is the reason for the sparks and brief glints of light which are seen in Long Island Sound? What caused the ocean to glow, as Christopher Columbus documented in 1492, just before his historic landfall in the Americas? How did they originate? What purpose did they serve? Answers to these and other questions will be revealed by Dr. Mark Siddall, speaking on "Nocturnal Emissions: Bioluminescence as a Survival Strategy" at the **11th annual Darwin Day Dinner, being held Saturday evening February 16 at the Italian Center in Stamford**. The invitation and information may be found at darwindayct.org

The annual Southern Connecticut Darwin Day Dinner has grown in attendance since its initial 2009 debut, occasioning the need for ever grander banquet halls. The event includes a cocktail hour at 6:00 PM, dinner at 7:00 PM, science quiz (with prizes!), and renowned speaker.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information. [CLICK HERE](#) for flyer.

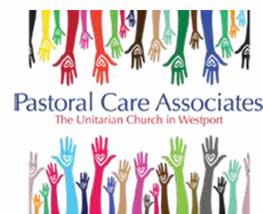
UPCOMING SERVICES



**February 17, 2019 - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
"Trusting Love" - Rev. John Morehouse**

**February 24, 2019 - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
"Trusting in America Once Again" - Rev. John Morehouse**

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@uwestport.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.

LIFESPAN FAITH DEVELOPMENT



THIS WEEK INFORMATION for (Pre-K to 5)

Theme: Trust

Topic: Offering love and trust for Valentines

Pre-K- 1st grade

- * 9:00 am and 11:00 am service
- * LOWER LEVEL - Pine Room

2nd-3rd grade: *Story at 11:00 am service*

- * 11:00 am service
- * LOWER LEVEL - Oak Room

4th- 5th OWL: CHAPEL classroom

- * 11:00 am-12:15 pm

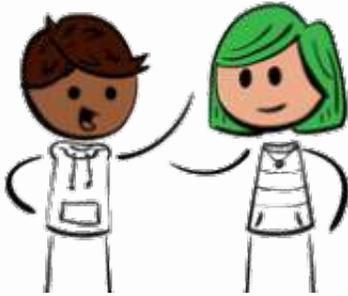
For those 4th-5th graders not attending OWL at 11:00 am, please join your friends in the Oak room

[CLICK HERE](#) for PreK-5 FAMILY "take-home" for SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019



• Families please pick up your children after the service ends 😊

Together get that snack, juice & cup of coffee.



YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group happens at 11:00 am on Sunday in the lower level of the Meeting House.



Special Growth Opportunity for Adults: We are in need of additional Youth Advisors to round out our adult team. This amazing group of teens will impress you as you watch them lead by example, share from their hearts, and demonstrate the true meaning of the Beloved Community. We laugh a lot too! This is a highly rewarding volunteer position. For more information or to express interest, please contact Rev. Shelly - revshelly@uwestport.org

It's time to register for CONTagious! the MYN Youth Con at All Souls NYC February 15-17 2019. We are encouraging our 9th and 10th graders to attend and be exposed to the contagious energy and wonderful community. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Shelly - revshelly@uwestport.org .

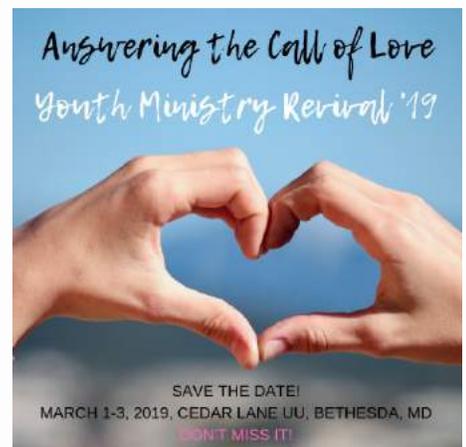
[CLICK HERE](#) for more information and registration for MNY Youth Conference NYC 219

Youth, Parents and Youth Advisor Volunteers: The Central East Region is having a Youth Revival

YMR2019 is for youth in 9th-12th grades and adult sponsors 25 and older in the United States and Canada.

The ratio for YMR2019 is 5 youth per adult. There is a cap of 125 participants. We already have youth interested in attending, which means we need at least one advisor to accompany them to the Revival! It will be a great time! Contact Rev Shelly revshelly@uwestport.org

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information and registration.



Upcoming Youth Group topics:

* **February 10th:** JAM SESSION with Chloe and Cecilia bring an instrument!
and later...

Mar 3rd: Tortilla Making with Alex and Cecilia

SOME DATES:

- * **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.