

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION
Doug Flam, Worship Associate

INTRODUCTION Rev. Ed Thompson

SETTING THE SACRED SPACE
Drumming & Sageing Raleigh Padgett

CHALICE LIGHTING Worship Associate

**OPENING HYMN #63 "For the Earth Forever Turning"

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 Grandmother Nancy Andry

READING "From the Book of Time" by Mary Oliver Pat Francek

MEDITATION & REFLECTION Rev. Jim Francek
Raleigh Padgett, Native Flute

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

CHANT
We all come from the earth, and to Earth we shall return like a drop of rain flowing to the ocean.
Once & Again Singers

SERMON "Source Energy and the Earth" Rev. Jim Francek

OFFERING "This Pretty Planet" Tom Chapin

HYMN "Blue Boat Home" Mayer/Pritchard
1. Though below me, I feel no motion standing on these mountains and plains. Far away from the rolling ocean still my dry land heart can say: I've been sailing all my life now, never harbor or port

have I known. The wide universe is the ocean I travel and the earth is my blue boat home.
2. Sun my sail and moon my rudder as I ply the starry sea, leaning over the edge in wonder, casting questions into the deep. Drifting, here with my ship's companions, all we kindred pilgrim souls, making our way by the lights of the heavens in our beautiful blue boat home.
3. I give thanks to the waves upholding me, hail the great winds urging me on, greet the infinite sea before me, sing the sky my sailor's song: I was born upon the fathoms, never harbor or port have I known. The wide universe is the ocean I travel, and the earth is my blue boat home.

CLOSING WORDS "The Oversoul" by Rev. Francek

JOURNEYSONG Chanting and Drumming

Special thanks to Rev. Jim Francek for sharing his wisdom, experience and love of learning.

Flowers

In memory of Hariette Rauh,
given by Jalna Jaeger

**Latecomers will be seated at this time.
Parents with babies/young toddlers please use our foyer to enjoy the service.

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

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION

To learn more about Rev. Jim Francek's teachings, please see the following links: www.tavafullcircle.com , www.ceremonieswithoutboundaries.com .

Memorial service for Harriette Rauh: TODAY at 4PM in the sanctuary. Harriette, a long-time member, was a vital part of Religious Education for many years.

TUCWomen's Adult Faith Formation series, "Women, Spirit and Imagination" continues this Tuesday, April 30, in the Meeting House, 7 - 9PM. Beverly Bailey will lead "Deeper Vision". See Soundings for more information.

Save the Date: Drum Circle for Randy Brody on May 3rd at 7PM in the Sanctuary. Memorial Service for Randy on May 18th at 1PM at Compo Beach.

Capital Campaign News: TODAY after the 11AM service, a Tiny Town Hall (TTH) meets in the East Wing to hear any additional thoughts on this proposal. Two additional TTHs, also in the East Wing, are Tues., 4/30 @ 7PM; and Fri., 5/3, @ 10:30AM. Please attend one of these meetings to share your thoughts with us in person or email cc@uuwestport.org.

COM Question of the Month: As our congregation considers the launching of a Capital Campaign, this month's COM question is "How can we best take care of our spiritual home?" Stop by the COM table TODAY to share your thoughts.

Call to Member Meeting: Sunday, May 5th at 12:30pm
The Board of Trustees has received the recommendation of the Capital Campaign 2019 Planning Team and is calling a Membership Meeting to approve a Capital Campaign for building improvements. Check Soundings for meeting details. Lunch and child care will be provided.

Grief Support Group: Mondays May 6th through June 17th (except for Memorial Day) in Rev. John's office from 7-8:30PM. This series is open to all who've experienced the loss of a loved one. To register, please contact Pat Francek at 203-893-1781 (patfrancek@gmail.com) or Chuck Harrington at 203-984-2324 (ccharrington20@gmail.com).

Beardsley School Read Aloud Day: Sign up today (by the Beardsley Board in the foyer. for our May 7th Read Aloud Day at Beardsley School in Bridgeport! It's just one hour from 9-10AM and will leave you smiling for the rest of the day!

TUCWomen May Potluck: Friday, May 10th @ 6:30pm at the home of Jenna Jacobs McPartland. Celebrate Spring with good food and conversation at a Plant Based Potluck. Bring something to share that comes from the earth, not from a creature. Too busy to shop or cook? Just come, there is always plenty. RSVP to sharon@slpoole.com .

Emma's Revolution at Voices Café: Saturday, May 11 at 8pm. Smart, funny and informative-- like Rachel Maddow and Jon Stewart with guitars. That's Pat Humphries and Sandy O of *Emma's Revolution*. Tickets at voicescafe.org

Source Energy and the Earth

Rev. Jim Francek
Community Minister for Pastoral Care

April 28, 2019

"Every particular in nature, a leaf, a drop, a crystal, a moment of time is related to the whole, and partakes of the perfection of the whole."

Ralph Waldo Emerson



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Rev. Shelly Thompson, Assistant Minister for Faith Formation

Rev. Frank A. Hall, Minister Emeritus

Margalie Belizaire, Intern Minister

Rev. Jim Francek, Community Minister - Pastoral Care

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David Vita, Director of Social Justice and Director of 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.*