

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION  
Connie Rockman, Worship Associate

INTROIT "To My Old Brown Earth" Pete Seeger/Silvan  
Rob Silvan & The Talmadge Hill Choir

CHALICE LIGHTING & OPENING WORDS Worship Associate

\*\*OPENING HYMN #168 "One More Step"

#### 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 "Four Grains of Rice" Connie Rockman  
(Adapted by Joel Ben Izzy)

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.

PRAYER & MEDITATION Margalie Belizaire, Intern Minister

MUSIC "The Seed is in the Ground" Wendell Berry/Silvan

SERMON "What a Time to be Alive" Margalie Belizaire

OFFERING "Don't Give Up" Peter Gabriel

#### 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 "Turn, Turn, Turn" (see insert)

CLOSING WORDS Margalie Belizaire

POSTLUDE "We Glorify" John Kee

Special thanks to Rob Silvan and the choir for singing this  
morning. Good to have you with us!

\*\*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](http://www.uuwestport.org)

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION

**Meditation before the Worship Service:** All are welcome to join in meditation every Sunday at 9:15am in the Willow Room downstairs before the 10am service.

**Call to the Annual Meeting:** The 2019 Annual Meeting of The Unitarian Church in Westport will be held on June 9<sup>th</sup> following the service.

**UU Movie Discussion Group:** Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30pm in the Meeting House. Featured movies include: **Best of Enemies**, **High Life**, and **Breakthrough**. Email Lorna Id06824@gmail.com for more info.

**Budget Town Hall:** Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, after the service. The Finance Committee will answer questions about the proposed budget for the coming fiscal year. The proposed budget is available on the church website and is posted in the foyer. All are welcome!

**TUCWomen News:** It's time to reflect on this year and to consider how we want to shape TUCWomen during the next church year. Come with your thoughts, feedback and ideas after the service next Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, in the Meeting House.

**News from the Beardsley Committee:** We are holding a used book sale at the Beardsley School from June 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>. Our goal is to provide students with as many summer reading books as possible. We will be at the school from 9am to 3pm starting Fri. May 31<sup>st</sup> (for set-up) and again on Mon. & Tues., June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. The final sale day, Wed. June 5<sup>th</sup>, will run from 9-1. If you can spare a few hours to help with this fun event, please contact Sari Bodi at saribodi@gmail.com. You may also call Sari at 203/247-9977 for more information. Thank you!

**Adult Faith Formation presents *More Love than Ever Before*:** Wed. June 5<sup>th</sup>, 7-9 PM in the Meeting House. Parvati Sundari, performance artist and healer, invites you to enjoy a meditative experience with sound and song. Contact Janet at jluongo3@optonline.net for more info.

**Save the Date for TUCWomen June Potluck:** Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at the Stamford home of Marjolijn deJager. Bring something to share or, if life is too busy, just come; there is always plenty. Enjoy an evening of great food & sisterhood. All women are welcome. RSVP sharon@slpoole.com

## *What a Time to be Alive*

Margalie Belizaire, Intern Minister

May 26, 2019



## The Unitarian Church in Westport

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Ushers: E. Belmont; J. Cooper; M. Money; G. Newell

Rev. Dr. John T. Morehouse, Senior Minister

Rev. Dr. Edward Thompson, Minister of Music

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

Sandra Clements, Acting Children's Program Coordinator

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.*