

WELCOME Worship Associate, Margalie Belizaire

INTROIT *Come Sing a Song with Me* #346

CHALICE LIGHTING Margalie

STATEMENT OF AFFIRMATION

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.

HYMN *My Life Flows on in Endless Song* #108 Early Quaker

CANDLE LIGHTING

This is a time to briefly share a personal joy or sorrow.
The Pastoral Care Chaplain is Eileen O'Reilly.

MEDITATION Marjolijn de Jager

CHANT *May I be Filled with Loving Kindness** Ed Thompson

SERMON *Resilience, Hope, and Forgiveness* Marjolijn de Jager

- I. Resilience and Hope
- II. Chant* *Shlomo Carlebach*
Return again, return again,
Return to the home of your soul
Return to what you are, return to who you are
Return to where you are born and reborn again.
- III. Forgiveness

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN: *Break Not the Circle* #323

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.

Margalie

CLOSING WORDS

CLOSING HYMN *This is My Song* #159

*Seated

Please join Marjolijn and Margalie in the sanctuary for discussion, following the service.

“Let me fall if I must fall. The one I become will catch me.”
– Sheryl Sandberg

WELCOME! We're glad you're here this morning. Our summer worship is generally led by members of the congregation, as the ministers take a well-earned break. If this is one of your first visits, please talk with any one of us to learn more about us. And join us after the service for refreshments and conversation. More about the congregation can be found at www.uuwestport.org.

There are listening assistive **headphones** on the back wall of the sanctuary. Please remember to turn them off.

We have provided paper and crayons for creative expression in the sanctuary, please return the crayons.

There are adult-supervised activities downstairs for children pre-K to Grade 3. An usher can show you the way



Unitarian Universalist Association Principles

- We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote
- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
 - Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
 - Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
 - A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
 - The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
 - The goal of world community with peace, liberty, justice for all;
 - Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

ABOUT OUR Worship Leaders:

Marjolijn is chair of our Immigration and Refugee Committee and a life-long advocate for social justice. Margalie is our intern minister, studying at Meadville Lombard Seminary.

UPCOMING SERVICES We hope to see you again!

Sunday, July 28: **Love in an Angry World. Meditation on Peace and Happiness** – led by Manjushri. Talk-back with Q&A

Sunday, Aug. 4 **Riding a Light Beam: Dare to Imagine** – Janet Luongo with Jenna Jacobs singing. Discussion to follow.

ONGOING:

Meditation before the Worship Service: All are welcome to join in meditation every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the Willow Room downstairs before the 10 a.m. service.

Buddhist Practice Group

Every Monday in the Meeting House from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Please email Nina each week at ninazcara@gmail.com to say you are coming. Teachings offered on a donation basis.

Fun in the Sun: Sherwood Sundays 11:30 AM at Sherwood Island State Park, Westport, through August 18th. Join Rev. Shelly and friends. Relax, swim, play, and have a great time with TUCW families and friends. Bring your lunch, beach toys & gear. More information available in the lobby.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

The Tag Sale is Aug. 17. The Meeting House is now accepting early drop-off donations. It will be locked, so call Diane in the office 203/227-7205 X10 (Tues.-Fri. 9am to 4pm) or Linda 203/829-6685. Need help? lhudson30@hotmail.com
Any furniture too large for your car must be OK'd by Linda.

Rev. Dr. John Morehouse, Senior Minister

Rev. Dr. Ed Thompson, Minister of Music

Rev. Shelly Thompson, Assistant Minister for Faith Formation

Nate Pawelek, Family Faith Formation Sunday Coordinator

Rev. Frank Hall, Minister Emeritus

Margalie Belizaire, Intern Minister

Rev. Jim Francek, Community Minister – Pastoral Care

David Vita, Director of Social Justice and Director of Membership

Welcome to The Unitarian Church in Westport

July 21, 2019

Resilience, Hope and Forgiveness

Guest Speaker: Marjolijn de Jager

Worship Associate: Margalie Belizaire

Pastoral Care Chaplain: Eileen O'Reilly

Ushers: Sunny Khadjavi and Laurel Carey



*The flowers today are in loving memory of Winnie Norman
given by Julyen Norman and Cathy Paine*



MOMENTS

by Mary Oliver

*There are moments that cry out to be fulfilled.
Like, telling someone you love them.
Or giving your money away, all of it.*

*Your heart is beating, isn't it?
You're not in chains, are you?*

*There is nothing more pathetic than caution
When headlong might save a life,
Even, possibly, your own.*