



# The Unitarian Church in Westport Soundings

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We had fun at Homecoming ...



and the Clam-paign and Jazz!

[CLICK HERE](#) for Homecoming photos - [CLICK HERE](#) for CLAM-PAIGN photos

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Child care is provided for Sunday Services & on an as needed basis for other events. Organizers of events should contact [Nate Pawelek](#) to arrange child care.*



**Fri Sept 20**  
Small Group Steering Committee - WW - 11:30

7th-9th OWL Meeting - MH - 6:00

**Sat Sept 21**  
A Better Man - MH - 8:00

Small Group Facilitators - MH - 10:00

**Sun Sept 22**  
Meditation - Willow Room - 10:00

OWL - OWL room - 10:00

OWL Parents - YR - 10:00

Connection Quest! #2 - Sanctuary - 12:30 pm

Music Committee - Library -

**SUNDAY SERVICE - SEPTEMBER 22, 2019 - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM**

**"At the Intersection of Change and Expectation"**  
- Rev. John Morehouse

There is so much at stake in our world right now; politics, religion, violence, and prejudice overwhelm us. What do we, as Unitarian





violence, and prejudice overwhelm us. What do we as Unitarian Universalists do in such a changing world? Rev. John will discuss the unique power of expectation in changing our world.

**Music:** Once and Again Singers

**Worship Associate:** Linda Hudson

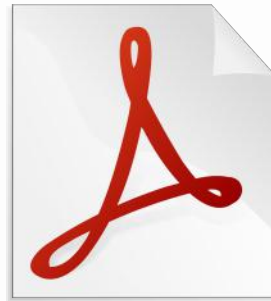
**Pastoral Care Chaplain:** 9:00 Chuck Harrington, 11:00 Kathy Roberts

### Last Week's Service



**"More Than Enough"  
Rev. John Morehouse**

### Want a printable version?



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### Did you see it?

There was a new email in your box Tuesday evening ("[A Minister's Message: Hope](#)") - a quick, short reflection from Rev. John on a topic of interest to him, and to us, given all that's happening in our world.



To start off the church year, we've planned this new offering: brief, thoughtful messages like these will be sent out each Tuesday from one of our ministers, giving us a chance to take a spiritual pause from our busy lives. If you'd like, please feel free to reply to them with a comment or further thoughts: dialogue is always good!

**Minister's Messages** will also be posted online. Click [HERE](#) for the first one in case you missed it. Enjoy!

### Our Capital Campaign is off to an amazing start.

From early donors we have commitments of \$927,000, 46% of our \$2 million goal. The Endowment has agreed to match all gifts from now on up to \$500,000.



Twenty five Visiting Stewards are setting up meetings with fellow congregants to ask for their commitment. Pledges may be paid over three years, all at once, or however is best for you! If you are unsure what to give, consider tripling your annual pledge. Think how wonderful it will be if we

12:30

#### Mon Sept 23

Buddhist Practice Group - MH - 6:30

Bell Choir - 6:45

NVC Practice Group - WW - 7:00

#### Wed Sept 25

Leadership Development Team - Rev. John's Office - 12:30

TUCWomen's Workshops - EW - 7:00

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

The Power of Now - MH - 7:00

#### Thurs Sept 26

Children Choir - 5:00

Family Faith Form. Support Team - EW - 6:30

#### Fri Sept 27

Shawl Ministry - MH - 12:30

UU Movie Discussion - MH - 7:30

#### Sun Sept 29

Meditation - Willow Room - 10:00

OWL - OWL room - 10:00

OWL Parents - YR - 10:00

Connection Quest! #2 - Sanctuary - 12:30 pm

#### Mon Sept 30

Buddhist Practice Group - MH - 6:30

Bell Choir - 6:45

O&AS - 7:45

#### Wed Oct 2

Teen Choir - 6:00

TUCWomen's Workshops - EW - 7:00

The Power of Now - MH - 7:00

Chamber Choir - 7:45

#### Thurs Oct 3

Children Choir - 5:00

Internship Committee - WW - 6:30

Questions? Contact [cc@uwestport.org](mailto:cc@uwestport.org)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Stewardship Visits	September 15 - Halloween
2. Comedy Night	Saturday - October 5, 7:00 PM
3. Town Hall Meeting with Goody Clancy	Sunday, Oct. 20 - after the service

For complete list, refer to the charts posted around the Church or [CLICK HERE](#).

**Look Again!** Please share photos and maybe even a poem or two to capture what our great building means to you, and how it speaks to you and our future. Click [HERE](#) to read about this collaborative effort that we're calling **Look Again**.



## Endowment Contribution to the Capital Campaign



The Endowment Committee, consistent with its Charter, is delighted to participate in the Capital Campaign. At the direction of the Board of Trustees, the Endowment will contribute up to \$500,000 to the Capital Campaign, with the following stipulations:

- \* The Endowment will match Congregants' gifts 1:1
- \* Matches will begin with the main phase of the

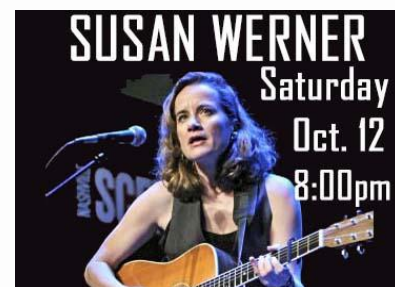
Campaign (September 14, 2019)

- \* Matching Grants will be paid when donors' contributions are received
- \* It is anticipated the Grants will be paid over three years
- \* Payments from the Endowment to the Campaign will be made quarterly

Here's more about the Endowment Matching Grant [CLICK HERE](#).

## Susan Werner is returning to Voices Cafe on Saturday, October 12 at 8:00 PM

(click [here](#) for flyer.) and we hope that you and your friends will attend. In connection with promotion of this concert, among other things, we post flyers in locations nearby. If you have time and would like to help, please feel free to post the attached flyer at an appropriate place near to you. (Kindly follow any local rules.) If you feel that the location you are posting should be on our regular posting list, kindly reply here: Gian Morresi - [gmorresi@gmail.com](mailto:gmorresi@gmail.com)



Flyers can also be picked up at the church on the tables as you enter the foyer. Thank you!

## Have you ever thought about volunteering at the Beardsley School but didn't want to commit? Now is your chance to get a feel for what it might be like!

Please come to Beardsley on October 2 at 9:30 to hear from current volunteers, take a tour of the school, and possibly whet your appetite; no commitment necessary! Simply RSVP to Kathy Roberts at [kproberts@att.net](mailto:kproberts@att.net)



**Fri Oct 4**  
Family Faith Volunteer Orientation - EW - 7:00

**Sat Oct 5**  
ARM - EW - 12:00

Cap. Campaign Comedy Night - Sanctuary - 7:00

**Sun Oct 6**  
Meditation - Willow Room - 10:00

OWL - OWL room - 10:00

OWL Parents - YR - 10:00

Serving With Grace - EW - 12:30

Immigration Social Action - Sanctuary - 12:30

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

Memorial Service for Dick Constable  
Saturday, September 21 at 1:00 PM



**Neighboring Faiths - Program for Adults**  
A year-long exploration of Religions of the World

Explore Hinduism in October, Judaism in November and other religions in 2020.

Facilitated by fellow church members!

Spend 3-4 weeks per religion to learn, understand and experience diverse religious practices.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer. [CLICK HERE](#) for more about Adult Faith Formation.

Register by emailing: [sudhasankar100@yahoo.com](mailto:sudhasankar100@yahoo.com) Space is limited!

**Let's Put On A Show!**

Save the date for a night to remember: On **Saturday, October 26th**

**The Fall Follies** will be making its triumphant return. Come one and all for a night of skits, songs, silliness and celebration! We need actors, singers, dancers, people behind the scenes--all ages, abilities, and experience welcome!

In short, we need **YOU!** If you'd like to be a part of the fun please email [Fall.Follies19@gmail.com](mailto:Fall.Follies19@gmail.com) to let us know what you'd like to do. We cant wait to have you come out and play!



**Your Fall Follies Committee:** Sarah Bell, Joanne Coviello, Tom Croarkin, Linda Hudson, Meg Jones, Charles Klein, Julyen Norman



# TUCWomen

**A place for sisterhood, intimacy and deeper connections**

**TUCWomen** have gatherings where we make new friends and deepen relationships with old friends. Our successful workshop series, Women, Spirit and Imagination has eight new sessions. Potlucks are planned and brown-bag lunches too. All women are welcome at all events.

RSVP for these events by email: [tucwomen@uuwestport.org](mailto:tucwomen@uuwestport.org).



\* **"The Art of Co-Imagining"**, led by Pat Francek, on Wednesday, September 25, the first of eight **Women, Spirit and Imagination workshop**. And coming up next, **"Psychology of Listening"** led by Elizabeth Macdonald on October 2.

Here's more about [Pat's workshop](#), [Elizabeth's workshop](#) and about [the eight-part series](#).

\* **Potluck** at the home of Anita Pfluger in Trumbull on Friday, September 27.

RSVP for each: [tucwomen@uuwestport.org](mailto:tucwomen@uuwestport.org).

Learn more about these and more at our new web site - [uuwestport.org/tucwomen-events](http://uuwestport.org/tucwomen-events)

## UPCOMING SERVICES



**September 29, 2019 - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM**  
**Margaille Belazaire, our Intern Minister, will preach.**

**October 6, 2019 - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM**  
**"Whose are We?" - Rev. John Morehouse**

**October 13, 2019 - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM**  
**"Forgiveness as an Act of Belonging" - Rev. John Morehouse**

**October 20, 2019 - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM**  
**"Covenant" - Rev. John Morehouse**

**October 27, 2019 - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM - UN Sunday**

## Buddhist Practice Group

Each Monday in the Meeting House from 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Please let Nina know you are attending by emailing her at [ninazcara@gmail.com](mailto:ninazcara@gmail.com).

Teachings offered on a donation basis.



**Meditation** is led by Janet Luongo and others from 10:00 to 10:45 AM every Sunday in the Willow Room downstairs.

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 - [jlungo3@optonline.net](mailto:jlungo3@optonline.net)

**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](mailto:pca@uwestport.org).



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

*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](mailto:pca@uwestport.org).

# FAITH FORMATION



**Come to Connection Quest Parent and Family Orientation Sunday at 12:30** for food, fun and faith formation! Bring a lunch and a snack to share.



**PLEASE SIGN UP** to be a **Sunday Helper** with our children and youth. It's a great way to share your gifts and connect with our young people.

We are in need of more helpers! The Family

**11:00 ALL CHILDREN & YOUTH CHAPEL** start on lower level in the Maple Room (chapel)

[CLICK HERE](#) for more details and info about Family Faith.

We are in need of more helpers! The Family Faith helpers and teachers will be commissioned during the service on September 29th! Join now!



**Our First YOUTH GROUP MEETING is Sunday September 29th 11:00 am**

[CLICK HERE](#) for more about all of our Youth Ministries and events.



[CLICK HERE](#) for the complete adult faith formation and spiritual practice group guide.



**Anyone up for a Pineapple Communion?** Attention Children and Youth of The Unitarian Church in Westport! We will present a Children and Youth Chapel service **this Sunday, September 22 at 11:00 am.** (\*We will start downstairs directly). What will the service be about? Pineapples! Note to selves, young people: we will have an offering, so be ready to give what you can to help pay for the work of the church.

**September 29, 11:00 am:** Children and Youth programming for Family Faith Formation formally begins! Get ready for fun experiences and active learning about our Unitarian Universalists principles and sources.

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.