



The Unitarian Church in Westport

PRESS RELEASE:

Fall Family Fun for All Ages

Saturday, Oct. 16, 2-5 PM

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Summary: The Unitarian Church in Westport (“TUCW”) will be hosting a Fall Family Fun afternoon next Saturday, October 16, 2021, from 2-5 PM. Rain date, Sunday Oct. 17 2-5 PM. This event is free, open to all whether affiliated with the church or not and has been designed for all age groups to enjoy. All activities will be outside in the open air. A main event: a singalong entitled “***The Best of the 70s,***” led by the lead singer of DizzyFish.

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More: The Unitarian Church in Westport, a Unitarian-Universalist congregation that serves greater lower Fairfield County and beyond, is opening its campus to fun and community on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 16. It has been too long since we’ve been able to come together in person and off a ZOOM screen! Originally scheduled for the evening, this event was moved to the afternoon so everything could be outside, with social distancing and lots of fresh air. The afternoon will include a lot of outdoor fun for all ages, including: a Musical Mural (kind of like musical chairs but no one gets eliminated and we end up with awesome artwork); a Cake Carousel (dance in a circle, land on a lucky number, take home a cake); Rock Painting (bring your own, and there will be some available if you forget yours); and Bobbing for Donuts (this time the donuts will be hanging), among other activities. Other outside games are likely, and the playground is always a hit with younger children. Please come and enjoy yourselves. Unfortunately, we will NOT be offering a lot of food and refreshments, for COVID-safety reasons, but we encourage people to bring their own should they wish.

A highlight of the afternoon will be the opportunity to sing along with Eric, lead singer for the DizzyFish, a sought-after local band that sold-out in Ridgefield in September. Eric will lead us all in a familiar repertoire of ***The Best of the 70s*** songs. So many of these gems will come back to us once we hear the chords; we’re guessing the kids will know a lot of these chestnuts, too, or just be mesmerized to see their parents and grandparents so engaged. Guests are encouraged to bring a lawn chair and their own refreshments and, especially, to lift their voices! There’s nothing that brings together a community like singing favorite tunes with abandon and fun and with an appreciation of past good times.

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About the congregation: The Unitarian Church in Westport, a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association (“UUA”) and established more than 70 years ago, is a large-member congregation located off Weston Rd, on Lyons Plains Road in Westport. Its award-winning building, designed by architect Victor Lundy, is breathtaking in its ability to lift spirits with its swooping roofline, and to connect with our natural world with its glass walls set in a leafy glen of trees and bushes, off the road. The Rev. Dr. John Morehouse is our Senior Minister and Rev. Dr. Ed Thompson our Minister of Music.

We are known for our outstanding music and social justice programs and our commitment to our children and youth. Sunday services are in person at 10 AM; children’s programs are usually offered at that time. Our services are always broadcast live from the sanctuary; the ZOOM link is on the homepage of our website.

The congregation is a diverse and welcoming religious community, free of creed and dogma, and open to people of all backgrounds and beliefs. Its mission:

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.

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