# Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, August 21, 2022

Gathering Music This Joy, Shirley Ceasar (Adapted) Francisco Ruiz, Music Director

Guest Musicians, Singers of The Living Tradition

**Community Welcome and Announcements** 

Marcy Tompson

**Community Greeting** Note that during this time, the congregation will be briefly visible in the livestream. If you do not want to be seen, please sit in the back pews, marked accordingly.

**Ringing of the Bell** We are called back to worship by the ringing of the bell from our Partner Church in Marosvásárhely, Transylvania

**Opening Words** By Adrienne Rich The Rev. Alicia Forde

**Chalice Lighting** The Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. G. Kane

\*Hymn Gather The Spirit

**Joys and Sorrows** At this time, you are invited to come forward, light a candle and share a joy or sorrow you carry within. Please note that as this service is being livestreamed, it is available over the internet in the moment and as an archived recording

#### Silence

**Hymn** Wanting Memories Virtual Vocal Ensemble

Please remain seated

**Reading** By W.E.B. Dubois The Rev. Alicia Forde

Centering Moment Pastor Jacqueline Duhart

<sup>\*</sup>Please rise in body or in spirit

### **Libations—Invoking the Ancestors**

First Reflection

"Radicals Rise Up - NOW Is A Moment"

**Offering** Marcy Tompson

The offering is a spiritual practice, a collective affirmation of our shared values and commitment to the mission of this liberal religious congregation. Here are the different ways you can donate to the Winchester Unitarian Society.

Those in the sanctuary are also welcome to donate electronically. **Text (781) 230-6690** or visit <a href="https://www.winchesteruu.org/giving/how-to-give/">https://www.winchesteruu.org/giving/how-to-give/</a> Please write or type the date of your offering in the memo line or comment field. Note that contributing soon in lieu of one lump sum for a period of time is easier to process and empowers us to send our collective gift as soon as possible.

Offertory

Glory, John Legend

**BIPOC Virtual Ensemble** 

**Affirmation of Shared Ministry** Those who wish to do so are invited to join in the unison Affirmation.

We gather not for ourselves alone, but to use our common power to build the Beloved Community within and beyond these walls.

We create and reaffirm this covenant this day - to make justice flourish, to practice compassion amidst difference and to embody transformative love.

\*Hymn

We Would Be One

Benediction

Pastor Jacqueline Duhart

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#### **Postlude**

### Draw the Circle Wide, Brian Tate

Note: WUS's Parish Minister, Heather Janules, is listed in the choir credits. She planned to sing with the choir but some other events conflicted with rehearsal times. But she was in the congregation, singing with enthusiasm!

## **Extinguishing the Chalice**

Marcy Tompson

Please read together the words for extinguishing the chalice

We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth, the warmth of community or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Join the Chat!

Please join us at **Noon**, in-person- in the parlor **or** remotely via Zoom at:

www.tinyurl.com/wusworship

We are now able to have post-service meetings using the "OWL" camera that will allow remote participants to be present in the parlor and aware of and able to discuss as a group and visit.

## **Serving Today**

Martin Newhouse - Worship Associate Ava Hjorth- Livestream Coordinator

As part of our commitment to racial justice, each worship service includes wisdom or an artistic gift from people or communities-of-color.