

**\*Hymn #139** *Wonders Still the World Shall Witness* Gray Hymnal

**Benediction** Fr. Gregory Boyle

**Postlude** *Nigerian Dance #1* by Joshua Uzoigwe

### Extinguishing the Chalice

*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.

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**Flower Dedication:** *Today's altar flowers honor the noble intention of Diwali - choosing good - and the collective embodiment of this intention through the work of the United Nations*

### Serving Today

Ushers and Greeters: Steve Forcucci, Phil Coonley,  
Ryan Levering and Terrill Levering

The Sunday Pastoral Care Associate is available to those wanting to share a personal concern with an attentive listener.

Today's PCA is Vicky Coccoluto 781-729-9313

John Kramer, *Director of Music* ✦ Marcy Tompson, *Worship Associate* ✦ Heather Janules, *Parish Minister* ✦ Brenna Mayer, *Coordinator of Children's Religious Education* ✦ Sean Yun, *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.*

## Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, October 23, 2022

**October's Theme is "Courage"**

### Centering Thought

"In this disastrous and shrinking world it is no longer possible...for local communities to be more secure than the surrounding world. Our ultimate security therefore lies in making the world more and more into a community." - Adlai Stevenson II, a Unitarian appointed as Ambassador to the United Nations by President John F. Kennedy

### Gathering Music

John Kramer

### Invitation to Greeting

The Rev. Heather Janules

*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*

### Community Welcome and Announcements

Marcy Tompson

*You may also review weekly announcements at*

[www.tinyurl.com/WUShappenings](http://www.tinyurl.com/WUShappenings)

### Responsive Invocation

by O. Eugene Pickett

Heather Janules

When invited to do so, please respond with "We give thanks this day"

### Chalice Lighting

by Alka Bhaskar (Abridged)

Phil Coonley

### \*Hymn #134

*Our World is One World*

Gray Hymnal

### First Reflection

*The U.U.U.N.*

Brenna Mayer

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

**Blessing**                      *The Light Within*                      John Kramer  
*As children and teachers leave for Religious Education, the community is invited to sing them on their way!*

May the light within you shine before you, everyday,  
everyday.  
May the light within you shine before you guide your way,  
guide your way.  
May the love we share surround you and  
chase your fears away.  
May the light within you shine before you, this we pray, this  
we pray.

*At this point, those remaining in the Sanctuary may gather “mask optional.” Those wishing to sit among people wearing masks may join the Choir in the first few rows.*

**Meditation and Prayer**    Including the Charter of the United Nations  
Heather Janules

**Kindling of the Light**    *Intermezzo* by Manuel Ponce                      John Kramer  
*You are welcome to come forward and light a candle in recognition of a joy, sorrow or concern you hold within. Those attending by livestream are invited to light a candle at home. For those in the Sanctuary, if you would like a candle brought to you, please raise your hand.*

**Silence**

**Hymn #159**                      *This is My Song*                      Gray Hymnal  
*Please remain seated.*

**Visual Meditation**    “UN75: Shaping Our Future Together” (Abridged)

**Anthem**                      *Burom, Burom*, Khasi Song  
*A Mélységbøl Halldmeg, Uram*, Pekka Simojoki  
WUS Adult Choir

**Second Reflection**    “*Courage Beyond Borders: UUs and the UN*”  
Heather Janules

**Offering**                      Marcy Tompson

This morning, we Share the Plate with **the UUA Office at the United Nations**, "promot[ing] the goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all, as reflected in the United Nations Charter. Through targeted education, advocacy, and outreach, we engage Unitarian Universalists in support of international cooperation and the work of the UN."

Those in the sanctuary are also welcome to donate electronically.

**Text (781) 230-6690** or visit

<https://www.winchester.org/giving/how-to-give/>

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**                      *Floating Clouds* by Tan Dun

**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.