

Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, July 23rd, 2023

Livestream Attendees: To notify our Tech Deck of a broadcast issue, email checkingin@winchesteruu.org or call the WUS Office - 781.729.0949

Wearing masks is encouraged but not required.

Centering Thought

“The one who sings prays twice” - attributed to St. Augustine

Gathering Music *Prelude on Deep River*, Adolphus Hailstork
John Kramer

Community Welcome, Announcements and

Invitation to Greeting Ella Kromm
In person attendees: Note that 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. Livestreamers: Please let us know who you are and what's on your mind by sending an email to checkingin@winchesteruu.org

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 Jacob Trapp Peter McEntee

Sung Chalice Lighting Ella Kromm
Rise up, O Flame, by thy light glowing,
Show to us beauty, vision, and joy.

***Hymn #394** *Come, Let's be Singing (Hava Nashirah)* Gray Hymnal
English verse only

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Joys and Sorrows

Ella Kromm

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. If anyone wishes to have a candle brought to them, please raise your hand.

Silence

Hymn #1002 *Comfort Me* Teal Hymnal
Please remain seated

Reflection “David, Singer of Psalms” Martin Newhouse

Anthem WUS Summer Choir

Hymn Sing

Offering Peter McEntee

The offering is a spiritual practice, a collective affirmation of our shared values and commitment to the mission of this liberal religious congregation.

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Offertory *Grateful*, John Buccino George Dudley, Solo

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

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 #108** *How Can I Keep From Singing* Gray Hymnal

Benediction By Dawn Skjei Cooley Peter McEntee

Postlude *There is a Happy Land*, George Shearing John Kramer

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.

Serving Today

John Kramer, *Director of Music* • Ella Kromm, *Worship and Administrative Intern* • Peter McEntee, *Worship Associate* • Isaac Kamikawa, *Livestream Coordinator*

WUS Standing Committee (Governing Board) Members

Dennis Brett, Vicky Coccoluto, Chuck Khuen, Liz Lintz (Clerk,) Gordy McIntosh (Chair), Claire McNeill, Fritzie Nace, Martin Newhouse (Vice Chair), Stephen Perepeluk, Brad Steele (Treasurer) and Marcy Tompson

Contact your Standing Committee via SC@winchesteruu.org

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