

Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, August 13

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

Centering Thought

“None of us could live with a habitual truth teller; but, thank goodness, none of us has to.” – Mark Twain

Gathering Music *Truth* by Kamasi Washington John Kramer

Community Welcome, Announcements and Invitation to Greeting

Peter McEntee

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 John M. Higgins Lee Barton

Chalice Lighting By Tracy Bleakney Peter McEntee

***Hymn #6** *Just As Long As I Have Breath* Grey Hymnal

Joys and Sorrows

Peter McEntee

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 #86 *Blessed Spirit of My Life* Grey Hymnal
Please remain seated

Reading From *Lies! Lies! Lies!* By Charles V. Ford, M.D.
Peter McEntee

Reflection “This is Your Brain on Lies” Lee Barton

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.

Here are the different ways you can donate to the Winchester Unitarian Society: Those in the sanctuary are also welcome to donate electronically. **Text GIVE to (781) 230-6690** or visit www.tinyurl.com/wusgiveonline Please write or type the date of your offering in the memo line or comment field.

Offertory *Summer Evening* by Edvard Grieg

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

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 #142** *Let There be Light* Grey Hymnal

Closing Words By Walter Royal Jones, Jr. Lee Barton

Postlude *Truth, Justice, and the Blues* by James Williams

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.

All are welcome to join an in-person conversation about today's service in the Parlor or to participate virtually by logging in to www.tinyurl.com/WUSworship at 11:30 am.

John Kramer, *Director of Music* • Ella Kromm, *Worship and Administrative Intern* • Lee Barton, *Worship Leader* • Peter McEntee, *Worship Associate* • Griffin Correia, *Livestream Coordinator*

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