

## Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, June 23, 2024

**Livestream Attendees:** To notify our Tech Deck of a broadcast issue, email [checkingin@winchesteruu.org](mailto:checkingin@winchesteruu.org) or call the WUS Office at 781.729.0949

### Centering Thought

A Lifelong Sharing

Love cannot remain by itself – it has no meaning.

Love has to be put into action and that action is service.

Whatever form we are,

able or disabled,

rich or poor,

it is not how much we do,

but how much love we put in the doing;

a lifelong sharing of love with others. – Mother Teresa

**Prelude**

*Summertime, George Gershwin*

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](mailto:checkingin@winchesteruu.org).*

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

**Opening Words**

*The Starfish Story, Loren Eiseley*

Liz Lintz

**Chalice Lighting**

Betsy Bowles



**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 #1021**                      *Lean on Me*    Teal Hymnal

**Benediction**                      By Betsy Bowles

**Postlude**                      *Truth*, Kamasi Washington    John Kramer

**Extinguishing the Chalice**    Peter McEntee  
*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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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](http://www.tinyurl.com/WUSworship) at 11:30 a.m.

Marianne DiBlasi, *Summer Minister*; John Kramer, *Director of Music*;  
Betsy Bowles, *Worship Leader*; Peter McEntee, *Worship Associate*;  
Isaac Kamikawa, *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.*