

Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, June 30, 2024

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

Centering Thought

In rivers, the water that you touch is the last of what has passed, and the first of that which is to come, and so it is with present time.

– Leonardo da Vinci

Prelude *Recercada*, Marcantonio Cavazzoni (c.1480-c.1560) John Kramer

**Community Welcome, Announcements, and
Invitation to Greeting**

Martin Newhouse

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 Ralph Waldo Emerson

Matthew Bronski

Chalice Lighting

Naomi Magnoni and Jeremiah

***Hymn #330**

The Arching Sky of Morning Glows

Gray Hymnal

First Reflection

Finding Your True Self

John Kramer & Liz Lintz

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Blessing*The Light Within*

John Kramer

As children leave for childcare, 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.

Meditation*“Dreaming Water”, Rhina P. Espaillat*

Betsy Bowles

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

Silence**Hymn #1007***There's a River Flowin' in My Soul*

Teal Hymnal

Please remain seated

Reading*“The Way”, Kenneth L. Patton*

Sarah Milt

Anthem

WUS Summer Choir

Second Reflection*“Leonardo da Vinci, and the
Genius of Being True to Yourself”*

Matthew Bronski

Offering

Martin Newhouse

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 www.tinyurl.com/wusgiveonline Please write or type the date of your offering in the memo line or comment field.

Offertory *Reflections*, Thelonious Monk

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 #331** *Life Is the Greatest Gift of All* Gray Hymnal

Benediction “Love Holds You”, Carrie Holley-Hurt Marianne DiBlasi

Postlude *Variations on “America”*, Charles Ives
(Happy 4th of July!)

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 a.m.

Marianne DiBlasi, *Summer Minister*; John Kramer, *Director of Music*; Matthew Bronski, *Worship Leader*; Martin Newhouse, *Worship Associate*; Jason Tran, *Livestream Coordinator*

WUS Standing Committee (Governing Board) Members

John Keller, Chuck Khuen, Ginger Hanson (Clerk), Gordy McIntosh (Chair), Claire McNeill, Fritzie Nace, Martin Newhouse (Vice Chair), Stephen Perepeluk, Sheila Puffer, Brad Steele (Treasurer), Joan Baldwin (Assistant 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.