

Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, July 21, 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

For they (art and music) are not the thing itself; they are only the scent of a flower we have not found, the echo of a tune we have not heard, news from a country we have never yet visited. – C.S. Lewis

Prelude *Promenade*, Modest Mussorgsky John Kramer
(from *Pictures at an Exhibition*)

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 Edythe Paulin Nancy Scott

Chalice Lighting By Albert Schweitzer Martin Newhouse

***Hymn #326** *Let All the Beauty We Have Known* Gray Hymnal

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Joys and Sorrows

Martin Newhouse

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

Gray Hymnal

Please remain seated

Reflection

“Women, Art, Music, and Justice”

Nancy Scott

I. Alice Sturgis Hooper

II. *Troubled Water* by Margaret Bonds,
performed by John Kramer

III. Georgia O’Keeffe

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

Adoration, Florence Price

John Kramer

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 #322	<i>Thanks Be for These</i>	Gray Hymnal
Benediction	By Cynthia Landrum	Nancy Scott
Postlude	<i>At a Certain Church</i> , John W. Work III	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.

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*;
Nancy Scott, *Worship Leader*; Martin Newhouse, *Worship Associate*;
Jay Kwan, *Livestream Coordinator*

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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.*