

Welcome to Worship!

Winchester Unitarian Society · Sunday, October 6

October's Theme is "Deep Listening"

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

"In the process of letting go, you will lose many things from the past, but you will find yourself." – Deepak Chopra

Gathering Music

John Kramer

Invitation to Greeting

Rev. Seth Carrier-Ladd

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*

Community Welcome and Announcements

Martin Newhouse

You may also review weekly announcements at www.tinyurl.com/WUShappenings

Invocation

"Sink Your Hands Into the Soil" by Elena Westbrook

Seth Carrier-Ladd

Chalice Lighting

Martin Newhouse
Lit by Milo Ippolito

***Hymn #217** *O Sing Hallelujah* Gray Hymnal

First Reflection Potato Pluralism Brenna Mayer

Blessing *The Light Within* John Kramer
As children and teachers leave for Religious Education, 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.

Prayer “Ignoring God” by Amy McKenzie Seth Carrier-Ladd

Kindling of the Light Stand a Little Taller on Yom Kippur Ben Winkelman
For those in the Sanctuary, if you would like a candle brought to you, please raise your hand.

Silence

Hymn #1008 *When Our Heart is in a Holy Place* Teal Hymnal
Please remain seated

Reading “A Handful of Soil,” by folk tale

Anthem *Ki Onu Amecho (First setting)*, Louis Lewandowski
WUS Adult Choir

Second Reflection Listening for Release Seth Carrier-Ladd

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Offering

Martin Newhouse

This morning, we share our gifts with the **UUA Disaster Relief Fund**.

The **UUA Disaster Relief Fund** is part of a covenant between the UUA and congregations, between congregations who give generously and those in need, and with our community partners. Through aiding our congregations, their members and their community partners, we are able to embody our faith and values. Currently the UUA Disaster Relief Fund is offering grants to those impacted by Hurricane Helene.

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. Note that contributing soon in lieu of one lump sum for a period of time is easier to process and empowers us to send our collective gift as soon as possible.

Offertory

Ki Onu Amecho (Second setting), Louis Lewandowski

WUS Adult Choir

Affirmation of Shared Ministry

Martin Newhouse

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 #215

Praise to the Living God

Gray Hymnal

Benediction

Seth Carrier-Ladd

Postlude

Prelude for Rosh Hashanah, Louis Lewandowski

Extinguishing the Chalice

Martin Newhouse

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.

Flower Dedication: *Our flowers are dedicated today to all those impacted by the devastation wrought by Hurricane Helene. We keep all who are suffering in our thoughts and prayers.*

Serving Today

Ushers and Greeters: Ushers: Marilyn Mullane, Laurie Russell;
Greeters: Phil Coonley, Mike Lambert

The Sunday Pastoral Care Associate is available to those wanting to share a personal concern with an attentive listener.

Today's PCA is Karen Caputo 617-851-5947

Your PCA will be sitting at the pew closest to the candle table immediately after the service.

John Kramer, *Director of Music* ♦ Martin Newhouse, *Worship Associate* ♦
Sam Wilson, *Director of Youth & Children's Ministries* ♦
Brenna Mayer, *Children's Religious Education Coordinator* ♦
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.

Music Notes:

Much of our music this morning is offered in observance of the High Holy Days in the Jewish tradition; we are currently in the period between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The Adult choir offers two settings of the sacred prayer *Ki Onu Amecho*, itself part of the High Holy Days services. Louis Lewandowski (1821-1894) was the Music Director of the “New” Synagogue in Berlin, (not yet Germany at that time) for which he wrote much liturgical music for their services, including these lovely settings. Also of note is that Lewandowski was the first Jewish student to graduate from the prestigious Berlin Academy.