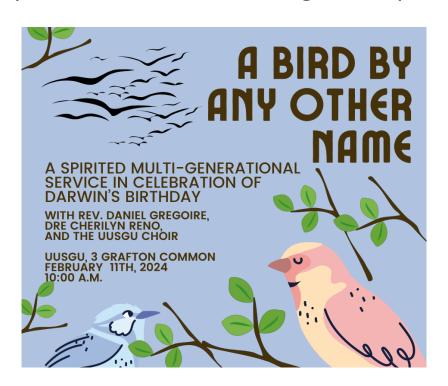
## OF GRAFTON AND UPTON February 11, 2024

# "A Bird By Any Other Name" Darwin Sunday A Spirited Multigenerational Service

with Rev. Daniel Gregoire and Cherilyn Reno, Director of Religious Exploration



#### **UUSGU Mission Statement:**

Spark the spirit and the mind.

Kindle loving community.

Ignite social justice in the world.

### Unitarian Universalist Society of Grafton and Upton Sunday, February 11, 2024

Today's flowers are in celebration of our fine feathered friends.

Call to Worship Rev. Daniel Gregoire

Prelude UUSGU Choir

"Three Bird Songs", arr. Lisa Utzig

1. The Battered Elm (Cuckoo, Cuckoo)

Welcome Debbie Pourali

**Chalice Lighting** 

(see blue music card in pew pocket)

\*Hymn Lisa Utzig

"A Firemist and a Planet" #343 in Singing the Living Tradition

Story Cherilyn Reno

"How the Thrush Got Its Song" – based on an Oneida legend

Sharing of Joys and Sorrows Debbie Pourali

Special Music UUSGU Choir

"Three Bird Songs", arr. Lisa Utzig

1. Kookaburra

Prayer Rev. Daniel Gregoire

Story Cherilyn Reno

"The Best Beak: A Story about Differentiation" by Cherilyn Reno

\*Hymn of the Month Lisa Utzig

"Sleep My Child" #409 in Singing the Living Tradition

Homily Rev. Daniel Gregoire

#### Our Share the Plate: The Village Worcester

The Village Worcester is an Afrocentric cultural, learning, and healing center in the Main South neighborhood of Worcester, MA. The Village builds grassroots power by connecting BIPOC groups, healers, and individuals whose work is rooted in racial justice, learning, creativity, community, and healing.

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Offertory Music UUSGU Choir

"Three Bird Songs", arr. Lisa Utzig 3. Ah, Poor Bird

#### **Offertory Response**

(see yellow music card in pew pocket)

**Announcements** Debbie Pourali

\* Hymn Lisa Utzig

"Blue Boat Home" #1064 in Singing the Journey

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#### Parade of the Birds

\* Invitation Rev. Daniel Gregoire

#### \* Extinguishing the Chalice

(see blue music card in pew pocket)

\* Benediction Rev. Daniel Gregoire

Postlude Lisa Utzig

<sup>\*</sup>Please rise in body or spirit

#### **Events Calendar**

#### Today, Sunday, February 11th

- 10:00am Worship Service
- 11:30am Youth Group
- 11:45am Worship Committee

#### **Coming this Week:**

#### Monday, February 12th

- 10:00am Women's Wisdom Circle
  - Contact Helena Leet-Pellegrini <u>leetpellegrini@gmail.com</u>

#### Tuesday, February 13th

- 9:00am Tuesday Coffee Club
  - Contact Alison Snyder <u>AlisonDSnyder@gmail.com</u>
- 6:30pm AA

#### Wednesday, February 14th

- 5:00pm 7:00pm Rev. Daniel Office Hours
  - Contact Rev. Daniel minister@uusgu.org
- 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal
  - Contact Lisa Utzig <u>music@uusgu.org</u>

#### Thursday, February 15th

- 2:00pm Circle of Sisters
  - Contact Bernadette Warwick <u>bj.warwick@verizon.net</u>
- 7:30pm Men's Group
  - Contact Dave Nichols <u>nicholsdavid0@gmail.com</u>

#### Saturday, February 17th

- 5:30pm Potluck Dinner
  - Contact Joann Duncan <u>admin@uusgu.org</u>

For information on future events please see the Church calendar at UUSGU.org.

#### A Place to Create:

Use this space to brainstorm with words or symbols how reason and experimentation helps you understand the natural world. How do the birds that inspired the theory of evolution by natural selection help with this?

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#### **UUSGU Staff:**

Rev. Daniel Gregoire Director of Religious Exploration - Cherilyn Reno Music Director - Lisa Utzig

#### Thank you to today's volunteers:

Debbie Pourali, UUSGU Choir, UUSGU Youth Group

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