

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY
OF GRAFTON AND UPTON
February 12th, 2023

"Stardust to Life"
Multigenerational Sunday
with Guest in the Pulpit Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum
and Cherilyn Reno, DRE



UUSGU Mission Statement:
Spark the spirit and the mind.
Kindle loving community.
Ignite social justice in the world.

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Today's flowers are dedicated to the victims of the
devastating earthquake that struck Syria and Turkey.

Community Music	Lisa Utzig
Call to Worship	Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum
Prelude Improvisation 2.23 by Lisa Utzig	Lisa Utzig
Welcome	MB DeKara
Chalice Lighting (see blue music card in pew pocket)	
*Hymn "A Firemist and a Planet" #343 in <i>Singing the Living Tradition</i>	Lisa Utzig
Chalice Celebration	Cherilyn Reno
Story Part One "Stardust to Life"	Cherilyn Reno
Reflection Part One	Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum
Sharing of Joys and Sorrows	MB DeKara
Prayer	Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum
*Hymn of the Month "O Star of Truth" #293 in <i>Singing the Living Tradition</i>	Lisa Utzig
Story Part Two "Animals That Morph"	Cherilyn Reno

Reflection Part Two

Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum

Invitation to Generosity

MB DeKara

Our Share the Plate: The Village Worcester

The Village Worcester is a new 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

“We Are All Earthlings” from Sesame Street – Jeff Moss and Sara Compton

Story Part Three

Cherilyn Reno

“Humanity to the Stars”

Reflection Part Three

Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum

*Hymn

Lisa Utzig

“Blue Boat Home” #1064 in *Singing the Journey*

* Invitation

MB DeKara

* Extinguishing the Chalice

(see blue music card in pew pocket)

* Parade of Starstuff

Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum & Cherilyn Reno

*Benediction

Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum

Postlude

Lisa Utzig

**Please rise in body or spirit*

Events Calendar

Today, Sunday, February 12th

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

Coming this Week:

Tuesday, February 14th

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

Wednesday, February 15th

- 6:00pm Choir Rehearsal
 - Contact Lisa Utzig at lisa@uusgu.org

Thursday, February 16th

- 2:00pm Circle of Sisters
 - Contact Bernadette Warwick bj.warwick@verizon.net
- 6:30pm UU Mass Action Hour
 - Contact Joann a dmin@uusgu.org
- 7:30pm Men's Group
 - Contact Dave Nichols dave@odic.com

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 the origins of the Universe.

What do the stories you have heard today mean to you?

Week Four--Green Promise

*We search for what is true
Grow by searching for what is true and right in life*

Here are some suggestions to learn more about the green promise with your family over the course of the week:

Wonder Questions

What is something you know that is definitely, absolutely true?

Can people believe different things about something but both be right?

Books to Read

Granddad's Prayers of the Earth by Douglas Wood

God In Between by Sandy Eisenberg Sasso

Elijah's Angel by Michael J. Rosen

Family Movie Night

Luca rated PG (2021)

What's for Dinner?

Different religions have different traditional holiday foods. Cook a meal from either your own family's religious tradition or one from a religion that is unfamiliar to you.

Family Activities

1. Watch [5 Children, 5 Religions](https://www.goodnet.org/articles/5-children-religions-1-simple-truth-about-humanity)

[<https://www.goodnet.org/articles/5-children-religions-1-simple-truth-about-humanity>] together OR read *Celebrations!* from DK's Children Like Me series to learn more about world religions.

2. Talk with a classmate or friend about their beliefs. Learn how they are similar to or different from yours.

(service to others) As a family, develop an 'elevator speech' to help you answer the question "What do UUs believe?" if a friend asks you. A good reference is *Unitarian Universalism is a Really Long Name* by Jennifer Dant.

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