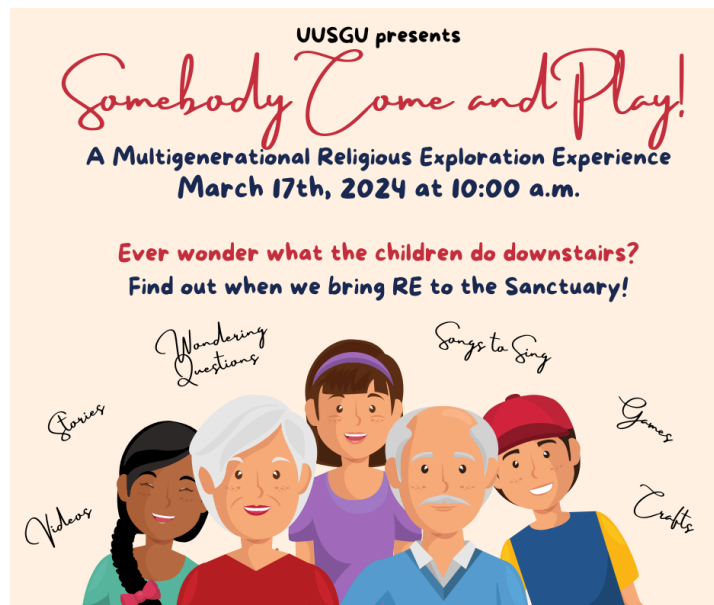


UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY
OF GRAFTON AND UPTON
March 17, 2024

“Somebody Come and Play!”
A Multigenerational RE Experience
Welcoming the Start of Spring
with DRE Cherilyn Reno and the RE Department



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, March 17, 2024

Today's flowers are in celebration of spring and for children of all ages.

A Special Message

Rev. Daniel Gregoire
Worship Committee Members

Call to Worship

Cherilyn Reno

Prelude

UUSGU Choir

"An Irish Lullaby" – Alice Rose Denny

Welcome

Cherilyn Reno

Chalice Lighting

(see insert for Chalice Lighting Poem)

***Hymn**

Lisa Utzig

"Enter, Rejoice, and Come In" #361 in *Singing the Living Tradition*

Sharing of Joys and Sorrows

Cherilyn Reno

Prayer

Rev. Daniel Gregoire

Spirit Play Lesson

Bette Lotterman, Alison Snyder, the RE Children

"The Flaming Chalice"

(see insert for breakout group questions)

***Hymn**

Lisa Utzig

"Love Will Guide Us" #131 in *Singing the Living Tradition*

RE Talk

Cherilyn Reno

CartUUns Lesson

Jessica Prohn

"The Blue Umbrella"

(see insert for breakout group questions)

Invitation to Generosity

Cherilyn Reno

Our Share the Plate: The YWCA of Central Massachusetts

For more than 125 years, the YWCA Central Massachusetts has served as a life-long positive force for women and girls, their families and communities. Their mission is to eliminate racism and empower women. To provide safe places for women and girls, build strong women leaders, and advocate for both women's and civil rights.



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Offertory Music

"The Road to Lisdoonvarna"

Susan West

Offertory Response

(see yellow music card in pew pocket)

Announcements

Cherilyn Reno

* Hymn

"This Little Light of Mine" #118 in *Singing the Living Tradition*

Lisa Utzig

* Invitation

Rev. Daniel Gregoire and Cherilyn Reno

* Extinguishing the Chalice

(see blue music card in pew pocket)

* Benediction

Rev. Daniel Gregoire and Cherilyn Reno

Postlude

"Nonesuch Nonsense"

Susan West

**Please rise in body or spirit*

RE Chalice Lighting

We light this Chalice to celebrate Unitarian Universalism
This is the church of the open mind
This is the church of the loving heart
This is the church of the helping hands
Together we care for our Earth
And work for peace and friendship in the world



Wondering questions for Spirit Play lesson

1. I wonder how it feels for you to be in this community.
2. I wonder if it is easy or hard for you to remember to live by these promises.

Discussion questions for CartUUns lesson

In your opinion, what was the mood of the umbrellas when it rained?

Were they happy? Sad? Angry? Sleepy?

How do you feel when it rains?

What kind of things do you like to do when it rains?



Events Calendar

Today, Sunday, March 17th

- 10:00am Worship Service
- 11:00am Fellowship Hour with Troop 64695
- 3:30pm Girl Scouts

Coming this Week:

Tuesday, March 19th

- 6:30pm AA

Wednesday, March 20th

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

Thursday, March 21st

- 2:00pm Circle of Sisters
 - Contact Joann admin@uusgu.org
- 7:30 Men's Group
 - Contact Dave Nichols nicholsdavid0@gmail.com

Saturday, March 23rd

- 10:00am Artist's Way
 - Contact Kate Gregoire katheanderson@gmail.com
- 5:00pm Beth Tikvah

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 what the expression “the congregation is the curriculum” means to you. How have you seen that play out in today’s service?

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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:

Bette Lotterman, Alison Snyder, Jessica Prohn, the RE Children, Susan West, and Girl Scout Troop 64695

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