

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY
OF GRAFTON AND UPTON
March 24, 2024

“Another Hijrah“

Honoring the Spirit of the Sufis
with Rev. Daniel Gregoire



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 24, 2024

Today's flowers are in celebration of all migrations

Call to Worship

Rev. Daniel Gregoire

Prelude

Lisa Utzig

"She's Leaving Home" by John Lennon and Paul McCartney

Welcome

Debbie Pourali

Chalice Lighting

(see blue music card in pew pocket)

***Hymn**

Lisa Utzig

"Chant for the Seasons: Spring" #73 in *Singing the Living Tradition*

A Time For All Ages

Cherilyn Reno

"Yan's Hajj: The Journey of a Lifetime"

by Fawzia Gilani adapted by Cherilyn Reno

RE Recessional "On Your Way" by J. Livingston

Go with wisdom, go with wonder

go to meet a brand new day.

Learn to seek the light within you

as we send you on your way.

Sharing of Joys and Sorrows

Debbie Pourali

Prayer

Rev. Daniel Gregoire

***Hymn**

Lisa Utzig

"Wake Now My Senses" #298 in *Singing the Living Tradition*

Reading

Rev. Daniel Gregoire

"Sufferings are Wings" by Sultan Valad in *Perfume of the Desert: Inspiration from Sufi Wisdom* by Andrew Harvey and Eryk Hanut

Sermon

Rev. Daniel Gregoire

Invitation to Generosity

Debbie Pourali

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

Lisa Utzig

"East of the Sun (and West of the Moon)" by Brooks Bowman

Offertory Response

(see yellow music card in pew pocket)

Announcements

Debbie Pourali

* Hymn

Lisa Utzig

"Alhamdulillah" #180 in *Singing the Living Tradition*

* Invitation

Rev. Daniel Gregoire

* Extinguishing the Chalice

(see blue music card in pew pocket)

* Benediction

Rev. Daniel Gregoire

Postlude

Lisa Utzig

**Please rise in body or spirit*

Events Calendar

Today, Sunday, March 24th

- 10:00am Worship Service
- 11:45am Getting to Know (UU)SGU
- 11:30am Youth Group

Coming this Week:

Monday, March 25th

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

Tuesday, March 26th

- 6:30pm AA

Wednesday, March 27th

- 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 28th

- 7:30pm Finance Committee
 - Contact Kevin Hayes hayesk@gmail.com

Friday, March 29th

- 6:00pm Good Friday Candlelight Supper
 - Contact Rev. Daniel minister@uusgu.org

Saturday, March 30th

- 8:30am 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 reading "Sufferings are Wings" means to you? How have sufferings become your wings to migration?

UUSGU celebrates and supports all people regardless of age, race, marital status, gender identity, sexual orientation, class, ability, language, nationality, or cultural background.

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Music Director - Lisa Utzig

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Debbie Pourali

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