

**Champlain Valley
Unitarian Universalist Society
Intergenerational Classism**

Land Acknowledgement Donna Blaszczyk

Welcome & Pathways to Connection

Gathering Song *Breaths* (#1001 Teal)

Gathering Poem *Archive of Bones* by Liam, read by Donna

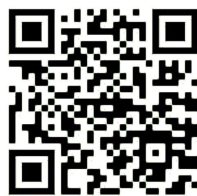
Chalice Lighting adapted from Leslie Kohl-Kosbau Donna

Flame of fire, spark of the universe that warmed our ancestral hearth – Agent of life and death, symbol of truth and freedom – Help us to understand ourselves and our earthly home, one breath at a time.

Time for All Ages *Focus on Friends not the Furniture* Liam

Singing the Children Out *'Tis a Gift to be Simple* (#16 Gray)
(with the traditional invitation to gently spin if you would like.)

Offering – Our donee for the month of May is **Have a Heart Food Shelf** in Bristol, VT. Please write checks to CVUUS. Cash and checks not otherwise specified will be split between CVUUS and the donee. You can donate online with the QR code. Fill out a yellow card if you feel comfortable sharing a time of food insecurity.



Offering Music Ronnie Romano

Receiving the Offering *From You I Receive* (#402 Gray)

Milestones & Passages Liam Battjes-Greenwood

Meditation

Music *Our World Is One World* Edward Thompson
Sung by CVUUS choir, directed by Ronnie Romano

Readings *Mending* by David Axelrod Donna
Heart on Fire by Ada Limon Liam B-G

Message *Generational Classism:* Liam
Vulnerability, Shame & Comfort Food

Closing Song *We Are a Gentle Angry People* (#170 Gray)

Benediction Liam Battjes-Greenwood

Postlude Ronnie Romano

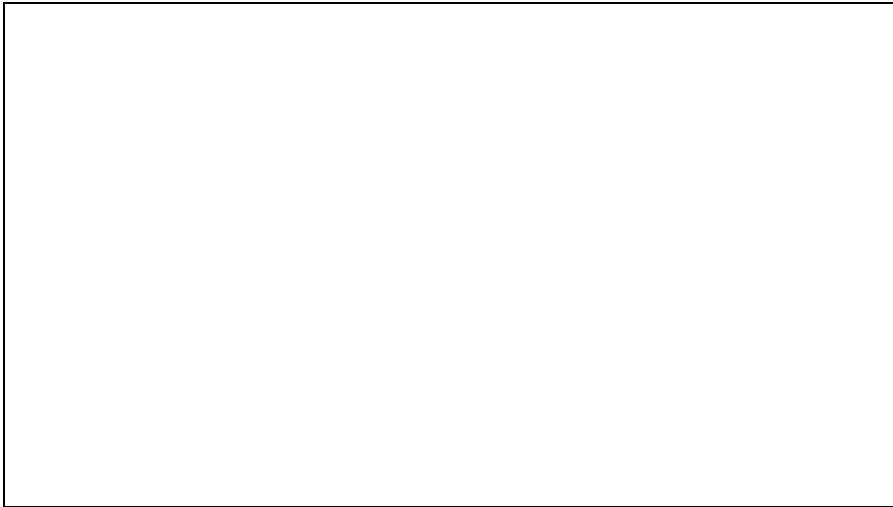
Thank you! Thanks to Worship Associate Donna Blaszczyk and Worship Leader Liam Battjes-Greenwood; our tech team: Richard Hopkins, Mike Small, Becky Strum and others; our friendly ushers: Kathryn Jakubowski and Jonnie Carter, our Flower Buds for seasonal decorations and all others who stepped up to help today.

Hearing Assistance: Headsets to amplify sound or for hearing the worship service audio while elsewhere in this building are available in the back of the Sanctuary by the sound system.

Standing on the Threshold of Our Future: Thanks so much to all those who have made a pledge of financial support for our next fiscal year. If you have yet to make your pledge, you can do so online at cvuus.org or ask for a printed form.

About Our Guest Speaker: Our Rev. Barnaby Feder has this Sunday off, and Liam Battjes-Greenwood has volunteered to step in. Liam has a Masters of Divinity from a Reformed Seminary, a certification as a Spiritual Director, and is a Special Education teacher at Shoreham Elementary School. He has worked mostly in communities with economic disadvantages, including Herkimer, New York and Woodville, South Australia.

FREE THINKER'S SPACE



RELIGIOUS EXPLORATION (RE) FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

- ~ Nursery is open and staffed from 9:45-11:15 Sunday mornings
- ~ Weekly Sunday morning RE programs for preschool to grade 7
- ~ Youth Group (Gr 8-12) - contact Poppy Rees (see below).

Stay Connected!

Weekly Blast (Wednesdays) provides links to our upcoming worship service, past services, and events and **Weekend Greeting (Fridays)** offers inspirational thoughts.

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Led by Liam Battjes-Greenwood

May 7, 2023

Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society exists to spiritually nourish, challenge, and sustain people of all ages and circumstances, so that they might lead lives of meaning, integrity, and service.

Pathways to *Healthy Connections*

Social Hour Coverage: We love how special this visiting time has become and want to sustain it. Let Alan Moore know if you're interested in hospitality oversight when he's away, especially for this summer. We hope you or your ministry team will consider signing up for May 28 (Memorial Day Weekend) when we still need coverage..

Shire Town Walk and Talk – Liam Battjes-Greenwood is leading a weekly book group and social gathering every Thursday at 3:30 p.m. that gathers at Shire Town Market at 54 College St. We are exploring *Turning to One Another* by Margaret Wheatley. Email Liam at LiamBattjes@gmail.com or text 802-348-4860. We check in over a snack, read a page together, share a brief discussion and then go for a mile walk with a friend.

Rhubarb Festival June 3 – Visit our table during social hour. Next planning meeting is THIS Tues. May 9 at 5 pm on [Zoom](#). It's never too late to jump in! Look for our *Rhubarb Times* emails.

Our next meal for Charter House will be made **THIS Mon. May 8** for 36 as usual. Thanks to those who signed up. Deliver your contribution to **Fenn House kitchen (NOT the lower level)** on Monday or take it directly to Charter House. Also, thanks to those who signed up to supply **cookies for Community Supper** on May 26. We welcome more bakers. See Alan Moore to get on his sign-up reminder email list.

Rev. Barnaby's Farewell Lunch, Sun. May 21, 11:30 am to 2 pm: We hope as many come as possible, especially kids, following worship to celebrate Rev. Barnaby. We're plotting a family-friendly **baseball- themed party** with grilled hot dogs and such outside, as weather permits. Find Ellen Flight during social hour to let her know if you'd like to help with the fun and testimonials.

CVUUS Caring Network Needs YOU! Help us better improve our reach and effectiveness and be smarter about you and your needs. Complete a short survey during May. Print surveys are available on the foyer table with the flowered box into which they should be returned. You can opt to complete it online (link in Blast and at cvuus.org). Contact Lynne Ballman for any help with getting, completing or returning it.

***Asian American Histories of the U.S.* book discussion** completes on **Wed May 17 at 7 pm on Zoom**. We hope you'll read the fascinating highlights on the first session that appeared in the May newsletter (copies in lobby) even if you can't attend the discussion. Consider reading the book at some point.

Affordable Housing Conversation Come **Sunday June 4 at 5 pm** to the Congregational Church of Middlebury, UCC (Unity Hall) to learn about three ways to alleviate our housing crisis rapidly. Hear case studies and receive a valuable resource sheet.

Events in our facilities are scheduled with the Office. Refer people to cvuus.org about using our spaces:

- Al-Anon** for families and friends of alcoholics meets weekly on Wednesdays 1:30-2:30 pm in Fenn Chapel, seeks anonymity.
- ESL Class** meets in Fenn Chapel Tues and Thurs 9-11 am.
- Wellspring Singers (Hospice)** rehearse Tuesdays at 5 pm.
- Bereavement Group** meets Wed, 3 to 4:30 in Fenn Chapel .
- **PEO (Philanthropic Education Organization)** meets monthly on 3rd Thursdays at 3:30 pm in Fenn Chapel. See Anne Christie.
- MUHS IB Testing begins THIS Tues May 2 and runs weekdays through May 18 from 8 am to 3 pm.** Avoid access to our Fellowship Hall and sections of our sanctuary main level when they **need things to be quiet** and undisturbed. Please restore tables if you move or use them over the weekend and protect stored testing materials.