

Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

Opening To A New Way

Preservice Music Ronnie Romano, Music Director

Land Acknowledgment Becky Strum, Worship Associate

Welcome & Pathways to Connection Becky

Gathering Song *Let It Be A Dance* (#311 gray) Ronnie

Call to Worship Rev. Tricia Hart

Chalice Lighting *A True Story* by Li Kynvi

This chalice is for the living,/the changing,/the becoming./This chalice is for losing/the script of your life,/the chapters about who you are/in other people's stories./This chalice is for the lost GPS/that was supposed to show you how to get where they expected you to go./This chalice is for skipping the directions,/coloring outside the lines,/painting—not by number—but by silence,/by wild abandon,/with a brush you made yourself/from light deep inside./Startling./Vivid./A new voice/that already knows you./Finally, a true story.

Board Recognition and Goals for the Year UU Youth

Singing the Children Out *Peace song* Ronnie

Offering

Our November donee is **Gedakina**. 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.



Offering Music Ronnie

Receiving the Offering *From You I Receive* #302

Milestones & Passages Becky

Time of Reflection

Musical Interlude Ronnie

Reading Becky

Sermon *Opening to a New Way* Rev Tricia

Hymn *Amazing Grace* (#205 gray) Ronnie

Benediction Rev Tricia

Postlude Ronnie Romano

Thank you! Thanks to Worship Associate Rebecca Strum; Tech Team Mary Hadley, Liam Battjes-Greenwood, Abi Sessions, and Richard Hopkins; Zoom social host Steve Butterfield; our greeters; Jess Danyow for seasonal decorations; and all others who stepped up to help today.

Social Hour: Thanks to our Board for covering today. Let Alan Moore know if your ministry team or small group would like to take a turn covering this. Find sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall.

All-Ages 10th Annual RE Ornament Sale! The RE kids are making and selling ornaments as a fundraiser for TBD (still deciding). Kids can help sell them in the foyer starting Dec 3 when we'll be decorating our tree.

Welcome to Susan Patterson, who became an official member of the CVUUS community during our Thanksgiving Feast. We are thankful for her kind and energetic spirit, her friendship and spark of good trouble.

Let's Eat Together, Tues. Nov. 28, Noon, Eastview. Bring your own lunch. All ages welcome. (Meets 4th Tuesday of each month.)

**Congregational Conversation:
Meetings versus Gatherings (To Zoom or not to Zoom)**

We see Worship Team deciding to be zoom only. Is this the direction of the Board Meeting? Is there a difference between a “meeting” and a “gathering” that would dictate preferences? That could be worth discussing. While you lose the intimacy of face to face checking in, there is efficiency in and equality in either being all zoom or all face to face. So...to zoom or not to zoom. That is the question. And if you remain hybrid, how can you make that work better. Come after worship to explore this.

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 8

Stay Connected!

Weekly Blast (Wednesdays) provides links to our upcoming worship service, past services, and events.

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Worship Associate: Rebecca Strum

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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.