

Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

Waiting

Preservice Music

Ronnie Romano, Music Director, and The House Band

Land Acknowledgment Becky Strum, Worship Associate

Welcome & Pathways to Connection Becky

Gathering Song *People Look East* (#226 Gray)

Call to Worship *Is it my imagination...?* by Joanna Macy
Rev. Tricia Hart

Chalice Lighting by Mary Shelden Becky

Rabbi, Teacher,/Wonderful Counselor,/Lamb of God,/Light of Love,
Anointed One,/Word and Bread of Life,/Son of God and woman,
Emmanuel,/Kindle our Chalice today./Set our hearts ablaze with
Your pure and radical Love./Help us to a faith that can/Heal the sick
and/Feed the hungry masses./Be with us now./Help us to welcome
The refugee,/To stave off the slaughter/Of innocents./Show us your
mercy./Help us to see that/For the smallest, the humblest,/The least
of these/Burns the brightest star.

Tree Decoration

Poppy Rees, Dir. of Religious Exploration, the children, and all

Singing the Children Out *Peace, Salaam, Shalom*

Offering

Our December donee is **Charter House Coalition**. 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

Receiving the Offering *From You I Receive* #302

Milestones & Passages Becky

Time of Reflection Rev. Tricia

Choir Anthem *Adinu*

Reading *Raising Holy Sparks* from Jewish mystical tradition
Becky

Sermon *Waiting* Rev. Tricia

Hymn *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (#225)

Benediction Rev. Tricia

Postlude Ronnie and The House Band

Thank you! Thanks to Worship Associate Rebecca Strum; Tech Team Margy Young, Karl Lindhom and Richard Hopkins; Zoom social host Steve Butterfield; our Choir; the Flower Buds for beautiful seasonal decorations (Dinah Smith, Marnie Wood, Alice Berninghausen, Jess Danyow, others); Kathryn Schloff for getting our tree; Brett Millier and Kerri Duquette-Hoffman for greeting; the Timmons Family and Laurie Mayville for covering social hour and others who stepped up to help today.

All-Ages 10th Annual RE Ornament Sale! The RE kids made & are selling ornaments in the foyer starting today. Proceeds support Charter House Coalition.

Habitat for Humanity Holiday Cards: See Dale Birdsall if interested in supporting this annual fundraiser.

Worship Next Sunday Dec 10: Exploring Mystery—Special guest Gregory Akinbiyi, assisted by Esther Charlestin will share his reflections. Through the highs, lows, and everything in between, he remains dedicated to unraveling life's enigmatic paths.

Christmas Eve Services Sunday Dec 24 (Pageant at 4 pm and Traditional UU one at 6:30 pm)—Both collect for CVUUS Discretionary Fund (in coordination with HOPE) and end with the lighting of candles and singing of Silent Night. No morning service. More on these and other Dec. services and activities in the December newsletter available in lobby and at cvuus.org.

Caring Network invites you to attend **What It Feels Like to Have Alzheimer's THIS Thurs Dec 7, 11-1** at Ilsley Public Library hosted by many community partners (see flyer downstairs).

PARKING will be tight this week with CSAC here for training and other groups. Thank you for advance planning.

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 Leader: Rev. Tricia Hart

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.