

Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

Practicing Death

Preservice Music Ronnie Romano, Music Director

Land Acknowledgment Abi Sessions, Worship Associate

Welcome Abi

Opening Words Mark Nepo, from *Book of Awakening*
Rev. Christina

Gathering Song #1001 *Breaths*

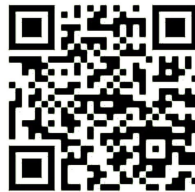
Chalice Lighting by Martin Luther King, Jr. Poppy

Time for All Ages Poppy Rees, Dir. of Religious Exploration

Singing the Kids Out *Peace, Salaam, Shalom*

Offering

Our donee this week is the **UUA RISE** (Refugee & Immigrant Services and Education). 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 Rev. Christina

Meditation *Looking Deeply into No Birth No Death*
by Tich Nhat Hanh Rev. Christina

Music *How Could Anyone Ever Tell You?* Ronnie & Choir

Reading *When Death Comes* by Mary Oliver Abi

Sermon *Practicing Death* Rev. Christina

Music #101 *Abide with Me*

Closing Words by Marianne Williamson Rev. Christina

Pathways to Connection Rev. Christina

Postlude Ronnie

Thank you! Thanks to Worship Associate Abi Sessions, the CVUUS Choir, Tech team Mary Hadley, Liam Battjes-Greenwood, Bill Sessions, and Rich Wolfson; Zoom social host Steve Butterfield; Flower Buds for beautiful seasonal decorations; Board members Jean Terwilliger and Lise Anderson for greeting; our Board for help with social hour; and all others who stepped up to help today.

Worship Service, Sunday January 10, 10 AM: With Abenaki leader Vera Longtoe Sheehan, lecturer on Abenaki language and culture at Middlebury College, who will reflect on the racial politics and environmental ethics of how we tell time.

Rough Sleepers: Dr. Jim O'Connell's Urgent Mission to Bring Healing to Homeless People Book Group convenes in January!

Tells the powerful story of an inspiring doctor who made a difference, by helping to create a program to care for Boston's homeless community—by the Pulitzer Prize-winning, *New York Times* bestselling author Tracy Kidder. The book group (open to CVUUS and the public) begins in Fellowship Hall & zoom at 7 pm on Jan 24 and continues on Jan 31 and Feb 7 facilitated by Ellen Flight, Tom Morgan & Mike Greenwood.

Climate action [Just Transition](#) march and rally organized by 350VT on Sat Jan 27, 1-3 pm titled Vermonters Together: Building a Better Future to which our Climate Engagement Team hopes many will carpool and attend. See blast for links.

Our own Seth Gibson will be sharing his stories of voyaging into Cree territory and befriending people from this First Nation – after worship on January 28. All welcome following social hour in our sanctuary.

Critical Conversation Project Film Screening with Living Structure's Jeff Dardozi on Thur Jan 18 (7:30 pm) in our sanctuary. Free and open to public. The film was produced by the Architecture, Culture and Spirituality Forum, a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide an international forum for scholarship, education, practice, and advocacy regarding the cultural and spiritual significance of the built environment.

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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