

# Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

March Theme: *Paying Attention*

***Silence Is Everything ~ March 8, 2026***

*\*Congregation is invited to rise.*

\*Gathering Song # 15 *The Lone Wild Bird*

Welcome & Land Acknowledgement Ellen Flight

\*Chalice Lighting

Opening Words *Silence* by Hafiz Rev.Christina Sillari

Anthem *Earth Song* by Frank Ticheli

Time for All Ages *Listening* Julia Santerre

Singing the Kids Out *Let Us Open Our Eyes*

Pathways to Connection

***Taking Wing Pledge Drive Testimonial*** Commitments made this spring will support our 2026-27 annual operating budget & ensure that our new minister & CVUUS's core functions will be amply supported by our congregation. You can pledge online using the link at [cvuus.org](http://cvuus.org) or QR code shared in our brochure & posted widely. Thank you! Questions? Find Stewardship leaders Steve Maier, Michelle Spohnheimer & Heidi Sulis in the Blue Room today or whenever you see them.

Offering Shared with *Atria Collective & Charter House*

\*Response #402 *From You I Receive*

Milestones and Passages

Reading *Silence II* by Elaine Maria Upton

Reflection *Silence Is Everything*

\*Hymn #352 *Find a Stillness*

Closing Words

Extinguishing the Chalice

*We extinguish this flame, remembering always to keep Love at the center.*

Postlude *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*

traditional American Spiritual

Jen Cohen

Stay for Social Hour in the Fellowship Hall!

**Stay in Touch:** Complete a **Yellow Card** to share a milestone; a **Pink Card** to reach Caring Network; or a **Blue Sheet** if you're new. Cards are in the lobby.



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## Pathways to Connection

Coming up for March Sunday Worship Spiritual Theme: **Paying Attention**

-March 15 *Women's History & Why It Matters* with Rev. Tricia

Followed by *Adult RE: Stories that Got Us this Far* discussion

Featuring pie during social hour provided by RE to honor "Pi" Day

Sign up to bring pie or just enjoy eating it.

-March 22 *All-Ages Spring Equinox Celebration of New Beginnings*

Followed by *Taking Wing* Stewardship Campaign Thank You Lunch

-March 29 Passover & Easter with Rev. Tricia

Followed by a Congregational Conversation on what's being discussed at the national UUA level at this June's Online General Assembly at which CVUUS members can be delegates. Consider this!

**Bagels & Building Your Own Theology**, three Saturdays 9-11 with Rev. Johanna Nichols in Fenn Chapel April 18, May 16 and 23. REGISTER ONLINE at [cvuus.org](http://cvuus.org)

**Death Cafe** with Rev. Christina Sillari on Zoom THIS Wed March 11, 6- 7:15 pm  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83737607446>

**Still We Gather, Still We Sing: A Community-Wide Potluck & Sing-In, Sat March 21, 5-7 pm** hosted by Middlebury Area Clergy Association at The Congregational Church of Middlebury to share a potluck dinner to get to know our neighbors & then gather in the sanctuary to sing songs of hope and nonviolent resistance.

**Social Justice Ministry: *Justice Taking Flight*** Thanks to those who attended yesterday's workshop with UUA's Congregational Life of New England Region Erica Baron. Follow CVUUS seed group efforts at [cvuus.org](http://cvuus.org) or see Mary Hadley.

- **CVUUS Unhoused Support Group** invites congregants to drop off requested cold weather items to Charter House (side door), HOPE, Gather (free will basket).

- **Interfaith Affordable Housing Alliance** open to all: **Mon Mar 16 at 7 pm** in the Blue Room & on zoom. Track efforts at [cvuus.org/news](http://cvuus.org/news). See Jean Terwilliger

- **Let's Cook Together Charter House Meal Prep** on 2nd Monday of month 10 am and Wed following that 9:30 am. THIS WEEK! See Blast for sign-up link or Alan M.

**CVUUS busy days ahead**, especially this Wed & Thur. Check online calendar. Plan for parking. **Beware swamping & ice** in back of & around Fenn & shed & to the cupboard. Save staff parking for staff & access to our community cupboard. Thx!

Want to receive a weekly update from CVUUS? Email [office@cvuus.org](mailto:office@cvuus.org).

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