

Sunday, April 13, 2025

Prelude *One Day* Matisyahu

***Song of Gathering** #1, *May Nothing Evil Cross this Door*

Welcome Teri Lukin, Board Member

Introduction of Guest Preacher Nora Mulligan

Invocation Benjamin Van Dyne, Guest Preacher

Bell Ringing UU Hudson Valley Children

Chalice Lighting Nora Mulligan, Worship Associate

Affirmation (in unison)
Inspired by Love,
Our mission is to Seek our true nature,
Connect deeply and openly,
and Act for justice.

***Hymn** #131, *Love Will Guide Us*

Time for All Ages

Singing the Children Out #413 - *Go Now in Peace*
(Children in attendance are invited to join our Religious Exploration program in the Fellowship Hall.)

"Voice of Committee"

Joys and Sorrows Ritual

Prayer/Meditation

Silent Meditation

Music for Meditation

Sermon "We Have a Duty to Win"
Benjamin Van Dyne, Guest Preacher

***Hymn #** #126, *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Sharing our Abundance This month, our collection will be shared with **SPCA Westchester**, a no-kill, 501(c)3 not-for-profit animal welfare organization dedicated to saving homeless, abused and abandoned animals and to protecting animals from cruelty and neglect through education and enforcement of humane laws. Visit the website <spcawestchester.org>.

Offertory *April in Paris* Yip Harburg/Vernon Duke

Dedication of the Offering (in unison)

May these gifts, and the work of our hands and hearts, give power to all we stand for as a community of faith.

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Chalice Extinguishing (in unison)

We extinguish this flame but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Benediction

Postlude *We Are the Champions* Freddie Mercury

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Welcome! As Unitarian Universalists, we are inspired by love as we seek wisdom, work to repair harms, and practice compassion.

Shared Ministry Today -

Benjamin Van Dyne, Guest Preacher

Nora Mulligan, Worship Associate

Blake Rowe, Director of Music

Jane Podell, Director of Religious Exploration,

Teri Lukin, R.E. Leader; Annabelle Goldman, R.E. Assistant

Greeters: Heather Hewett

Audio/Visual Technicians: Chris Oliver, Gil Long, Gary Simon, Chris Fenton



**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION
OF THE HUDSON VALLEY**

Our Guest Preacher this Sunday

Benjamin Van Dyne is a PhD candidate in theology at Fordham University, where his work focuses on the interconnections between evolving concepts of race, personhood and death. He also teaches undergraduate classes in religion and theology and serves on the coordinating committee for the labor union of Fordham’s graduate workers.

He grew up in the Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, Virginia and remains connected with local church communities. He lives in the Bronx with his two children.



Join us on Saturday, April 26, for the Building Beloved Community Beyond the Binary Conference, an opportunity for LGBTQIA+ folks to gather, laugh, and create joy. There will also be opportunities for those not in the LGBTQIA+ community to learn effective and appropriate allyship. UUCHV is proud to be one of the 28 UU Congregations nationwide serving as satellite hosts for this event.

You're welcome to participate as an attendee or a volunteer!
Scan these QR codes to get details:



Attendee Info

Volunteer Opportunities

The Reverend Daniel Lawlor, Minister, revdaniellawlor@gmail.com

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Hudson Valley

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April 13, 2025 Hymn Lyrics

#1, May Nothing Evil Cross this Door

May nothing evil cross this door,
and may ill fortune never pry about
these windows; may the roar
and rain go by.

By faith made strong, the rafters will
withstand the battering of the storm.
This hearth, though all the world grow chill,
will keep you warm.

Peace shall walk softly through these rooms,
touching our lips with holy wine,
till every casual corner blooms
into a shrine.

With laughter drown the raucous shout,
and, though these sheltering walls are thin,
may they be strong to keep hate out
and hold love in.

#131, Love Will Guide Us

Love will guide us, peace has tried us,
hope inside us will lead the way
on the road from greed to giving.
Love will guide us through the hard night.

If you cannot sing like angels,
if you cannot speak before thousands,
you can give from deep within you.
You can change the world with your love.

Love will guide us, peace has tried us,
hope inside us will lead the way
on the road from greed to giving.

Love will guide us through the hard night.

#126, Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Wake, now, my senses, and hear the earth call;
Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune our ears to sing thy
grace.

Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest
praise.

While the hope of life's perfection fills our hearts with joy
and love,
teach us ever to be faithful, may we still thy goodness
prove.

Come, thou fount of ev'ry vision, lift our eyes to what may
come.

See the lion and the young lamb dwell together in thy home.
Hear the cries of war fall silent, feel our love glow like the
sun.

When we all serve one another, then our heaven is begun.

Come, thou fount of inspiration, turn our lives to higher
ways.

Lift our gloom and desperation, show the promise of this
day.

Help us bind ourselves in union, help our hands tell of our
love.

With thine aid, O fount of justice, earth be fair as heav'n
above.