

Sunday, April 21, 2024

What's So Funny 'Bout Peace, Love and Understanding?

Prelude *Life Uncommon Jewel*

***Song of Gathering** #1008, *When Our Heart is in a Loving Place*

Welcome Jim Russell, Board Member

Introduction of Guest Preacher

Invocation Reverend Beth Putnam, Guest Minister

Bell Ringing
UU Hudson Valley Children

Chalice Lighting Anne Pearl, Worship Associate

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

Time for All Ages

UUCHV Choir *Anthem For The Earth* Blake Rowe

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

Testimonial Betsy Tomic

Joys and Sorrows

Meditation & Prayer

Music for Meditation

Reading What's So Funny 'Bout Peace Love and Understanding by
Elvis Costello

***Hymn** #1040, *Hush*

Sermon *What's So Funny 'Bout Peace, Love and Understanding?*
Reverend Beth Putnam

***Hymn** #1028, *Fire of Commitment*

Sharing our Abundance Today, UUCHV Shares the Plate with The SPCA, 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. For more information, please visit the website: <https://spcawestchester.org/>

Offertory *Peace Like a River* composer unknown

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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<https://www.uuchudsonvalley.org/>
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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 *What's So Funny About Peace, Love and Understanding*
Elvis Costello

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Welcome to the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Hudson Valley!
Together, we honor the many pathways to love at the center of our faith.

Shared Ministry Today

Reverend Beth Putnam, Guest Minister

Anne Pearl, Worship Associate

Blake Row, Director of Music

Jane Podell, Director of Religious Education; Luke Weidner, R.E. assistant

Greeters: Nnette Kress, Sheri Brown

Audio/Visual Techs: Chris Oliver, Gary Simon, Chris Fenton



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION
OF THE HUDSON VALLEY

Our Guest Minister this Sunday

Rev. Elizabeth (Beth) Putnam is a member of the Fourth Universalist Society in the City of New York, where she joined in 2002 and was ordained in 2008. She holds degrees in history from Wellesley College (BA) and the University of Texas at Austin (MA), and Union Theological Seminary in New York (MDiv). She has served as a Chaplain in a HealthCare Setting for more than 12 years, and is exploring the next phase of her ministry. She and her husband Alex have made the Upper West Side their home for over three decades.

SAVE THE DATE!

**Our Annual Pledge Drive Potluck
is Sunday, April 28.**

Please bring a dish to share.

Please be sure to return your pledge card prior to April 28th

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

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April 21 2024 Hymn Lyrics

#1008, When Our Heart is in a Loving

Place *(note: the word 'holy' has been replaced w/ 'loving')*

Chorus:

When our heart is in a loving place,
When our heart is in a loving place,
We are bless'd with love and amazing grace,
When our heart is in a loving place.

When we trust the wisdom in each of us,
Ev'ry color ev'ry creed and kind,
And we see our faces in each other's eyes,
Then our heart is in a loving place.

Chorus

When we tell our story from deep inside,
And we listen with a loving mind,

And we hear our voices in each other's words,
Then our heart is in a loving place.

Chorus

When we share the silence of sacred space,
And the God of our Heart stirs within,
And we feel the power of each other's faith,
Then our heart is in a loving place.

Chorus

#1040, Hush

Hush, hush, somebody's callin' my name.
Hush, hush, somebody's callin' my name.
Hush, hush, somebody's callin' my name.
Oh my Lord, oh my Lord, what shall I do?

Sounds like freedom, somebody's callin' my name...

Sounds like justice, somebody's callin' my name...

Soon one mornin', death comes creepin' in my room...

I'm so glad that trouble don't last always...

#1028, Fire of Commitment

From the light of days remembered burns a beacon bright and clear
Guiding hands and hearts and spirits Into faith set free from fear.

Chorus:

When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul a blaze
When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within,
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin.

From the stories of our living rings a song both brave and free,
Calling pilgrims still to witness to the life of liberty.

Chorus

From the dreams of youthful vision comes a new, prophetic voice,
Which demands a deeper justice built by our courageous choice

Chorus