

**Champlain Valley  
Unitarian Universalist Society  
*Immigrants' Perspectives***

**Land Acknowledgement** Wesley Morgan

**Welcome & Pathways to Connection** Tom Morgan

**Gathering Song** *We'll Build a Land* (#121 Gray)

**Call to Worship** Adapted from Art. 2 draft, UUA Bylaws Tom

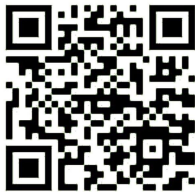
**Chalice Lighting** *Rise Up O Flame* (#362 Gray)  
Rise up, O flame, by thy light glowing,  
show to us beauty, vision, and joy.

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

**Singing the Children Out** *This Little Light of Mine* (#118 Gray)

**Offering**

Our September donee is **ReSourceVT**. 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 Romano

**Receiving the Offering** *From You I Receive* (#402 Gray)

**Milestones & Passages** Tom

**Meditation** Tom

**Choir Anthem** *Our World Is One* - Ed Thompson

**Reading** *The New Colossus* - Emma Lazarus Tom

**Immigrants' Perspectives: Introduction** Tom

**Child of an Immigrant...Who, me?** Jordan Young

**Music** Ronnie

**Immigration: A Story in Four Parts** Avi Freund

**Song** *This Is My Song* (#159 Gray)

**Ten Tips on How to Be a Good Immigrant** Irena Pavlin

**Closing Song** *Come and Go With Me* (#1018 Teal)

**Closing Words** Tom

**Postlude** Ronnie

**Thank you!** Thanks to Worship Associate Tom Morgan and presenters Jordan Young, Avi Freund, and Irena Pavlin; our tech team: Abi Sessions, Richard Hopkins, and Rich Wolfson; Zoom social host Steve Butterfield; our Choir; our friendly usher Doug Smith; Jess Danyow for seasonal decorations; and all others who stepped up to help with social hour and other tasks today.

**Standing on the Threshold of Our Future:** Thanks so much to all those who have made a pledge of financial support for our next fiscal year. If you have yet to make your pledge, you can do so online at [cvuus.org](http://cvuus.org) or ask for a printed form.

**Next Sunday Oct 1: *Our Changing Story (part 1)*.** Rev. Tricia Hart reviews the evolution of Western religion, how we Unitarian Universalists fit in, and what difference it makes in how we “do church.”

**Addison County CROP Hunger Walk, Sun. Oct 1, 12:30 pm,** Middlebury Town Green follows. Find Marnie Wood to donate or to walk. Also the blast for online link to donate and more.

**Grab a copy of the September newsletter** for words on and from **our new ministers**, as well as so much more. See their emails on back cover, in our directory & on our bulletin board.

## FREE THINKER'S SPACE



### 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 7
- ~ Youth Group (Gr 8-12) - contact Poppy Rees (see below).

### Stay Connected!

**Weekly Blast (Wednesdays)** provides links to our upcoming worship service, past services, and events and **Weekend Greeting (Fridays)** offers inspirational thoughts.

**Contact Us:** 2 Duane Court, Middlebury VT 05753

**Phone:** 802-388-8080; **Email:** [office@cvuus.org](mailto:office@cvuus.org)

**Facebook:** CVUUSVT; **Web:** [cvuus.org](http://cvuus.org)

**Ministers:** Rev. Christina Sillari, [revchristina@cvuus.org](mailto:revchristina@cvuus.org)

Rev. Tricia Hart, [revtricia@cvuus.org](mailto:revtricia@cvuus.org)

**Office Manager:** Laura Asermily, [office@cvuus.org](mailto:office@cvuus.org)

**Director of Religious Exploration:** Poppy Rees, [re@cvuus.org](mailto:re@cvuus.org)

**Bookkeeper:** Cara Mosier, [fm@cvuus.org](mailto:fm@cvuus.org);

**Music Director:** Ronnie Romano, [music@cvuus.org](mailto:music@cvuus.org)

**Hearing Assistance:** Headsets to amplify sound or for hearing the worship service audio while elsewhere in this building are available in the back of the Sanctuary by the sound system.



## CHAMPLAIN VALLEY UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY

### Immigrants' Perspectives

Led by Irena Pavlin, Avi Freund, Jordan Young

Worship Associate: Tom Morgan

**September 24, 2023**

*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.*

## Pathways to *Healthy Connections*

**Beware Phishing/Spam:** Please remember scams are everywhere! Rev. Tricia, nor any other staff member will ever contact you via email/text and ask you to purchase a gift card or anything else for that matter. We just will not do that . . . ever. If you receive such an email, please do not respond to it, just delete it. Stay safe and healthy!

**Let's Eat Out:** Caring Network invites you to come to **Eastview** (off South St next to Porter) on the **4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month** at noon to share lunch with them and the many Eastview residents there who are CVUUS members and friends so THIS Tues. Sept 26. Bring your own lunch. Juice/beverage will be provided by Dale Birdsall who you can contact with questions or if a ride is needed (377-1322). Lois Alberts, a longtime Eastview resident, started this back in the day and we are attempting to resume it. Caring Network experimented with a version called *Let's Eat In* where we tried to gather monthly for lunch and fellowship at CVUUS but it didn't seem to catch so they are trying a return to Eastview.

**Honoring Our Ancestors:** How did you get here? How did you come to be who you are? Do you have an ancestor, an antecedent who perhaps determined or transformed the circumstances or destiny of your family, or you in particular. Why not tell that story at our annual ancestors' service, our third, this October 29th, the Sunday before All Saints' Eve. Interested? Be in touch with Karl Lindholm.

Speaking of honoring ancestors, CVUUS will host the **Mexican Consulate Visit** on **Sat. Oct 28** near the Day of the Dead which we'll celebrate with displays and food while legal documents, the main focus for migrant workers, are processed. Sign up to bring food and to help with greeting, translating, parking, set

up, clean up and child care. See sign up links in Blast. Follow efforts to support our migrant neighbors [cvuus.org/news](http://cvuus.org/news).

**Affordable Housing for Addison County** interfaith group invites you to explore 3 options to **alleviate the housing crisis**. Learn about these at a Community Conversation on Sun. Oct 29, 4 pm, at Congregational Church of Middlebury. Look for a flyer in Fellowship Hall. It meets on the **first Monday of the month at 7 pm** in Fellowship Hall so next on **Oct 2** if you want to help.

**Climate Engagement Opportunities:** Consider the following. **Pizza & Power: Green & Just Electricity for VT, Tues. Oct 3, 5 pm, Fellowship Hall.** Learn where VT's electricity actually comes from, why changes to current law and energy policies in VT are needed to be truly green and just, how this affects ratepayers, and how we can make sure— with your help!— that critical improvements are made this legislative session. Participants will leave with clear next steps. Co-sponsored by CVUUS Climate Engagement Team, 350VT Addison County Node, and 350VT.

**Discerning Our Obligations to Respond to Climate Change,** **Wed. Oct 25, 5 pm, Middlebury College Dana Auditorium.** Chuck Collins, author of *Born on Third Base*, returns to Middlebury to discuss his new book, *Altar to an Erupting Sun*. More in Oct newsletter released next week.

**CVUUS hosts several Small Ministry and Affinity Groups** to connect us which you can learn about at [cvuus.org](http://cvuus.org). We hope you'll find a home with one or two of them.

Events in CVUUS space are scheduled through the Office. Our meeting spaces are well-ventilated and feature wifi access and gender-inclusive bathrooms. *See our online calendar at [cvuus.org](http://cvuus.org) for availability.*