

# Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

December 29, 2024 Unwrapping Daily Presence

Ring In Sunday Karl Lindholm

\*Gathering Carol *O Come, All You Neighbors* Alternative

Chalice Lighting Liam Battjes

*We light this chalice mindful that at the center of our solar system Brother Sun is burning with a light that sustains the diversity of life on this planet.*

*May we gather around this light of Love, knowing it sustains the colorful diversity of this community.*

Opening Words *You Reading This, Be Ready* William Stafford

Acknowledging Moon-day *The Greeting Moon* Joseph Bruchac

Then greeting each other, "Forgive me if I have done anything to hurt you."

Carol (stay seated) *Somewhere Between Moonlight* Alternative

Time for 2 on Tuesday *What I Like About Beans* Sarah Wolfson

\*Singing the Kids Out *Jingle Lead*

Wild Messages Day *The Peace of Wild Things* W. Berry

Pathways of Connection *Green Cards*

Offering & Choir *In the Rainy Winter*

\*Song *From You I Receive* #402

Thor's Day of Joys & Concerns

Meditation *Belonging* Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer

Carol (stay seated) *O Lonely Night*

Reading for Friends Day *Only Love* James Crews

Reflection *Unwrapping Daily Presence* Liam Battjes

\*Carol *These Three Things All Orient Me*

Extinguishing the Chalice

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

Closing the Week with Sat-on-Earth Day

Postlude *Mike's Daily Presence in '24* Music by Jennifer Cohen

Final Carol *Auld Lang Syne* with Alternative verses

Thank you to our readers Jean Terwilliger, Brett Millier and Andrea Sambrook



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## Pathways to Connection

Please note: The CVUUS office in Fenn House will be closed from Dec. 25 - Jan 2.

Complete a **Green Card** before worship and note a message you receive from listening to something in nature (birds, wind, clouds, trees, mud, snow, spiders). Complete a **Yellow Card** before worship to share your joys or concerns, place it in the offering basket to be shared. Fill out a **Pink Card** if you'd like the Caring Network to respond, and a **Blue Sheet** if you're visiting so we can be in touch with you.

**HOPE & Atria Lobby Cart** Bring a non-perishable food item to our lobby cart for HOPE & personal care items for Atria (formerly WomenSafe) anytime.

**CVUUS Membership Directory:** Go to Breeze to access it online. Contact Mary Hadley (hadleyeme@juno.com) for access. See an usher if you need a print copy.

**Gather, Middlebury's drop-in living room**, seeks hosts, welcomes guests. More at [cvuus.org](http://cvuus.org) on this, and MANY ways to help inside and beyond our walls. Thanks for contributing to CVUUS Discretionary Fund in November.

**Shhhhh...**From 7am to 5pm on January 1 to 4 on January 4 (ending at 12pm on Saturday the 4th) the Breadloaf Mountain Zen community will be holding their Annual Silence Retreat in the Fellowship Hall. We ask for your cooperation in giving them silence during that time.

**Mark your calendars** for a Twelfth Night Woodwinds Quartet on January 4 at 3pm in the Sanctuary. This concert will feature our own Richard Hopkins.

**A Poppy Party!** Poppy Rees, our colorful and caring director of Religious Exploration, is moving to a full time teaching position and leaving Sunday, Jan. 5th. Please, join Jet Pig in whispering messages of best wishes into her ear at the Poppy Party in the Fellowship Hall after Worship.

**CVUUS Migrant Solidarity Ingathering**, Wednesday, Jan. 8th at 5:30 p.m. (Jan. 9th Snow Date) Join us in the Fellowship Hall to develop our social actions, share support, enjoy dinner and more.

**CVUUS is launching Foster Family Circles** on January 26th. Stay tuned and see our website for more information.

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