

Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

March 16, 2025 Birding to Change the World

Prelude *Birding Concert* by Burlington Choral Society Richard Riley, Dir.

*Gathering Song *Over My Head* #30 (1-4)

Land Acknowledgement & Welcome Liam Battjes-Greenwood

Caw to Worship *Birding to Change the World: C'est Levee* Trish O'Kane

Chalice Lighting

As we light this chalice, we watch the flame rise, much like we watch birds alight at the feeder in our backyard - our eyes take wing and rise to a sky of changing weather, strong winds, and the promise of light and life.

Gathering with a Murmuration Check in with those on right, left, front and behind

Music *Do Not Leave Your Cares at the Door* Jennifer Cohen

Time for All Ages *Dancing Woodcocks*

*Singing the Kids Out *Chorus of Birdsongs*

Pathways to Connection

Offering *Sharing with the Atria Collective*

*Song *From You I Receive* #402



Milestones and Passages

Meditation *Excerpts from A Category Five Plan*

Reading *Roll that Teacher Down the Hill* Susan Ogilvie

Reflection *Murmuration* Trish O'Kane

*Song *The Lone, Wild Bird* #15, Adapted Lyrics

The lone wild bird in lofty flight / soars over hills beyond our sight.
Our hearts take wing, reach to the sky, / and we see the world as if we fly.
We see the forest hills before, / as the river winds out to the shore,
But roads & buildings interrupt our view, / and we see the world thru what we do.

Closing Words *Go Lifted Up* #1057 Teal

Extinguishing the Chalice

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

Postlude **Congregation is invited to rise.*

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Pathways to Connection

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 Caring Network's help and a *Blue Sheet* if you're visiting so we can be in touch.

Congregational Conversation on Religious Exploration after worship TODAY. Let's explore how we can best serve people of all ages.

All-Ages Non-Gendered Contra Dance! TODAY at 3 pm led by Richard Hopkins to live music. Save the date for our next Open Mic Night Sat. May 3 at 7 pm.

Woods and Wings Hiking Club Pick up Trish O'Kane's book, *Birding to Change the World*. Email Liam at LiamBattjes@gmail.com to express interest and help set a time to meet, hike, snack, fly thru a thought from Trish, and connect as friends. We are planning on meeting on the last Sunday of the month at noon.

All-Ages Game Night! Come the 3rd Friday of the month, March 21. Dinner at 6 pm. Email mike802vt@comcast.net so that we know how many to expect.

Queerly Beloved, an addiction recovery group centered on our LGBTQIA+ members, meets Thursdays at 6 pm in the Blue Room. Spread the word!

Memorial Service Marjorie Carsen on Sat Mar 22 at 2 pm. All welcome.

Foster Family Circles is held at CVUUS every other month on the 4th Sunday (1-3 pm) so next on Mar 23. Let Tom Morgan know if you can help be with youth in Fellowship Hall while adults meet in Sanctuary.

New to UU? Explore with us all about Unitarian Universalism and all about CVUUS on two consecutive Sundays after worship March 23rd & 30th *in the newly renovated Fenn Chapel*. See cvuus.org for details. Already a member and want to join us? Please do. RSVP Mike mike802vt@comcast.net. Have questions? See any member of the Welcome Team!

Let's Eat Together Come at noon on the 4th Tuesday of the month to the Eastview dining room so next on Mar 25. Visit with the many congregants living at Eastview. Bring your own lunch. Beverages provided.

Summer Worship Services (Newly Themed! as Passion, Compassion, Community) seeks lay leaders. See Abi Sessions and cvuus.org for more.

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