

# Champlain Valley Unitarian Universalist Society

Joy April 13, 2025

*\* Congregation is invited to rise.*

Gathering Song *Seasons of Love*, by Jonathan Larson, arr. Roger Emerson

Land Acknowledgement

Jordan Young

Welcome

Chalice Lighting *Thirsty* by Rev. Greg Pelley

Call to Worship *To This Moment: A Poem for the Shehecheyanu*

by Stacey Zisook Robinson

\*Hymn *#327 Joy, Thou Goddess*

Time for All Ages

*The Little Book of Joy*

Julia Santerre

by His Holiness the Dalai Lama & Archbishop Desmond Tutu

\*Singing the Kids Out *#118 This Little Light of Mine*

Pathways to Connection

*Small Group Ministry Reflection*

Claire Tessier

Offering Sharing with *Climate Economy Action Center (CEAC)*



\*Song *#402 From You I Receive*

Milestones and Passages

Silence

\*Hymn *#128 For All That Is Our Life*

Sermon

*Joy*

Rev. Christina Sillari

\*Song *Joy to the World*, by Hoyt Axton

Extinguishing the Chalice

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

Closing Words

Postlude

*Joy* by Thomas Keesecker

**Worship Co-Creators Today:** Rev. Christina Sillari, Minister; Jordan Young, Worship Associate; Jennifer Cohen, Music Director; Julia Santerre, Religious Education Coordinator; Rich Wolfson, gatherer, and the entire tech team.

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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.

**Curious about Small Group Ministry?** Come and experience what it is all about today after worship 11:30-12:30 pm in the shining new Fenn Chapel.

**Music Abounds!** CVUUS welcomes back the Youth Opera who'll perform TODAY at 2 pm in the sanctuary. Speaking of music, consider performing a 2-5 minute act in the next CVUUS Open Mic Night on Sat May 3 at 7 pm in the sanctuary and invite your friends. Sign up after worship or by contacting [music@cvuus.org](mailto:music@cvuus.org) by May 1. Also coming up is a Pan Drumming Workshop led by Jen Cohen on Sat April 26, 12-2 in the sanctuary. See her for more.

**Let's cook together!** Prepare Charter House meals this week & 2nd Mon/Wed of month. Provide baked goods for community supper 4th Friday of month.

**Let's play together!** Come to the next Game Night Fri April 18, 6-9 pm in Fellowship Hall. RSVP Mike or Liam Greenwood.

**Queerly Beloved**, open to ANYONE in the LGBTQIA+ community, and particularly those looking for support for addiction recovery, meets Thursdays at 6 pm in the Blue Room. Spread the word!

**Congregational Conversation: Energy Conservation** with Jean Terwilliger, NEXT Sunday following Easter worship in the sanctuary in honor of Earth Day.

**CVUUS Author Readings:** Hear from Bobbi Loney's 2nd novel *Homefree* on Wed April 23, 7 pm in Fellowship Hall and Ann Evan's 2nd memoir trilogy *The Sweet Pain of Being Alive* on Thur May 1 at 7:15 pm in the sanctuary.

**Governance Survey** Do you have opinions about how CVUUS is run? The CVUUS Governance Policy Task Force is reviewing our structure of policy- and decision-making to determine whether changes should be made. Because CVUUS is self-funded and self-governed, we members can adopt whatever structure we feel serves us best. To tell us how you feel about how CVUUS is run and how policies and decisions are made, fill out the survey at <https://cvuus.org/gtf-survey>.

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