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## **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP** **with UCC Westerly**

**August 10, 2025 @ 9:45am**

*In-person & Broadcast live  
from our sanctuary  
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### **PASTOR'S WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**      *As the Morning Sunlight Appears*  
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### **DEACON'S WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** — from Psalm 33

One: Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who revere him;

**All: On those who hope in God's steadfast love.**

One: Our soul waits for the Lord; God is our help and shield.

**All: Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.**

**OPENING HYMN**      *All Things Bright and Beautiful*      *W&R #30*  
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### **UNISON PRAYER OF REFLECTION**

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**God of all Creation, hear our voices as we come to you. Let your ears be attentive to our many voices with our many questions, fears and worries. We gather to worship, to sing a new song, to raise our prayers of praise and thanks, our care and concerns. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, we pray, for we gather in the name of your beloved Son, Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

### **THE MORNING MESSAGE**

**Scripture Reading:** Genesis 1:27 & 2:18, 21-24

**Meditation Music**      *Day by Day*      [©Public Domain]

**Message** —      *Meeting Eve for the First Time*      Rev. Ruth

### **#A MOMENT TO BREATHE**

### **A TIME OF PRAYER**

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Prayers

The Lord's Prayer in whatever words are most comfortable for you.

Musical response

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS\*

Special Music      *I Love to Tell the Story*

Erin Blake, Soloist

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Doxology “Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all creatures here below; Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter; One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.”

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**CLOSING HYMN –**      *Go Forth for God*

W&R #708

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A PRAYER OF BENEDICTION**      from the *Iona Prayerbook*

This is the day that God has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. We will not offer to God offerings that cost us nothing. We go in peace to serve the Lord, to seek truth and pursue it. In the name of the Trinity of Love, we follow the pilgrim way. Amen.

*Sung Response – Let There Be Peace on Earth*

W&R #614

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## PASSING OF THE PEACE

**POSTLUDE**      --      *Go with God*

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**#A MOMENT TO BREATHE** is an experience of Thich Nhat Hanh’s breath of 10 exercise. It is very simple, inviting you to breathe as you normally would but counting each breath in and each breath out until you reach 10. This is a remarkably simple but highly effective breathing exercise that calms your mind and heart.

**TO ANY VISITORS WITH US THIS MORNING, WELCOME!** We are so glad you decided to join us! We would love to be able to connect with you after your visit today. Please take one of our Welcome brochures in the pew. We’d love to stay in touch with you so if you could fill out the information part of the flyer and leave it in one of the offering plates, we promise to honor your privacy and not be too pushy! We also hope you will join us for fellowship time if you are so inclined!

**Our Diaconate Person of the Week for this week is Allana Allik.** Please feel free to be in touch with her with your joys and concerns knowing that we care about you all the time, not just when you are here.

**\*ABOUT THE OFFERING.** We offer our deepest gratitude to our members and friends who are so generous with their pledges and financial gifts to the church, both those here in person and those joining online. Online participants are encouraged to give via the “Donate” button at [www.uccwesterly.org](http://www.uccwesterly.org) or mail your checks, made payable to UCC Westerly, to us at 9 Castle Hill Road, Pawcatuck, CT 06379. **A REMINDER that offering plates** are located at each entrance to the sanctuary. Thank you!

**THE PRAYER MINISTRIES** of this church are many and varied and you are welcome to participate in any or all of them. In the sanctuary, you will find prayer notebooks by either door within which to write specific prayer requests for Sunday worship. You will also find prayer candle tables at which you may light a candle for your own prayer concerns. You will also find prayer shawls and prayer bears in the front pews to offer comfort to those struggling. For more information on our prayer ministries please speak with any Deacon or Rev. Ruth at any time.

**A FEW REMINDERS!**

- ❖ *CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING in the Parlor at 10:45am today! All welcome!*
- ❖ The School Supplies donation drive runs through August 24.
- ❖ Special Congregational Life Outing for ice cream at Buttonwood Farm in Avon, CT on Tuesday, August 12. Meet in the upper parking lot at 1:30pm to carpool.

*You are welcome to donate flowers for the chancel any week. Our sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or speak with Rev. Ruth for more information.*

**GENESIS 1:27 & 2:18, 21-24**

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.

So, the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

*To request a copy of today's message be sent to you, kindly contact the office at (860) 599-1226 or [uccwesterly@gmail.com](mailto:uccwesterly@gmail.com).*

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