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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP with UCC Westerly

***June 28, 2026 @ 9:45am
In-person & Broadcast live from
our sanctuary
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PRIDE SUNDAY!

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PASTOR’S WELCOME

PRELUDE *When There’s Love at Home*

[Roger C. Wilson, based on hymn tune by J.H. McNaughton. © 1960, 1967, 1977, 1988 Lorenz Publishing Company, CCLI#493908]

DEACON’S WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP – [adapted from *The Iona Prayer Book*]

One: Blow the trumpet, Lord! Call a celebration!

All: Let stories be told and tears shed.

One: Let prayers be uttered and laughter break forth.

All: Until your kingdom comes among us, bringing its many surprises.

OPENING HYMN *Let All Things Now Living*

W&R#22

[Katherine Kennicott Davis. © 1939. Renewed 1966 E.C. Schirmer Music Company, CCLI#171701]

UNISON PRAYER OF REFLECTION

[An Australian Aboriginal prayer adapted from *The Iona Prayer Book*]

Rainbow God, you have created people of many different colors and given us different cultures. In you each has its source and fulfillment. In Jesus Christ you have made us one, breaking down the walls we make to protect ourselves. By your Holy Spirit, you have joined us in one body, giving to each part its special gift. We pray that in the church and in the world we may experience more and more the love of Your Holy Spirit, a love which honors and respects each one, which is sensitive to our hurts and hopes, which values the gifts we bring, and shares its own treasures with us. And to you, O God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, be all honor and glory, now and in the ages to come. Amen.

A MOMENT FOR MISSION – *Blessing our gifts and donations to “Beachy Fun” at Stonington Human Services*

We bring before you, O God, our humble gifts and donations as one small thing we can do in the face of the troubles and perils so many people in our community face each day. Holy One, please bless all the children and their

families who will benefit from these items and all those working to distribute them. Bless us in our giving. Help us always to remember that those who receive these gifts are precious to you and that it is you who calls us to share from our abundance with them. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE MORNING MESSAGE

Scripture Reading: Psalm 139:13-18

Message – *Fearful and Wonderful Remix*

Meditation Music – *Face to Face*

Rev. Ruth

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#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 *Day by Day*

Melissa Stratton, 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 – *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*

*W&R#80, v. 1, 4, **

[WORDS & MUSIC: African-American Spiritual; arr. Eugene Thomas ©1986 Curb Word Music. CCLI#4666473]

**God's got all the rainbow people, in His Hands (3 X)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A PRAYER OF BENEDICTION – *UCC Book of Worship*

Let us go forth into new seasons of our lives, growing, changing and living. Let us go with caring awareness for the world and all who call it home. Let us go forth in peace and be led out in joy. We Go in God's continuing presence, with the power to love and the strength to serve. Amen.

Sung Response – Let There Be Peace on Earth

W& R#614

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PASSING OF THE PEACE

POSTLUDE *The Faithful Heart Rejoices*

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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. If you lose track of your count at any point, start over. 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 check out our

Welcome flyer in the pew and fill out the information section and leave in one of the offering plates. We also hope you will join us for fellowship time if you are so inclined!

**Our Diaconate Person of the 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 invited to give online via our “Donate” button @ [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 THIS IS THE FINAL SUNDAY FOR OUR JUNE DONATION DRIVE “Beachy Fun.”** Please remember that our **JULY DONATIONS DRIVE** is for non-perishable food items for the food pantry at the PNC. A list of suggested items to donate appears in the June/July *Beacon*. Also please recall that our annual “In The Middle” School Supplies Drive will take place in August and you free to begin purchasing those items which will go on sale in July. Donation baskets for both drives will be on the chancel beginning July 5. 😊

**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.

**OUR FLOWER MINISTRY** *You are welcome to bring fresh flowers from your garden any Sunday. Special arrangements in memory or honor of a specific person or celebration may also be shared any Sunday. Just check the flowers sign-up sheet to make sure the date you desire is available.*

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

### **PSALM 139: 13-18**

For it was you who formed my inward parts;  
you knit me together in my mother’s womb.

<sup>14</sup> I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works;  
that I know very well.

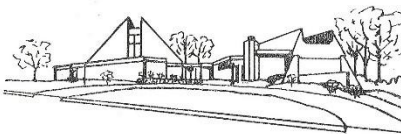
<sup>15</sup> My frame was not hidden from you,  
when I was being made in secret,  
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

<sup>16</sup> Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.

In your book were written  
all the days that were formed for me,  
when none of them as yet existed.<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>17</sup> How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!

How vast is the sum of them!  
<sup>18</sup> I try to count them—they are more than the sand;  
I come to the end<sup>[b]</sup>—I am still with you.



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