

Unitarian Universalist Society of Martha's Vineyard

February 18, 2024

Letting Ourselves Get Lost

with

Reverend Janet Newton



"How we spend our days is, of course, how we spend our lives."

- Henry David Thoreau

"To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Ringling the Bell

Welcome and Community Connection

Linda Moffat

Prelude

Peter Halperin

Call to Worship & Chalice Lighting

Rev. Janet

***Opening Hymn** *I Brought My Spirit to the Sea*

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Time for All Ages

Rev. Janet

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Linda Moffat

Silent Meditation (~2 minutes)

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Janet

Offering

Linda Moffat

Offertory

Peter Halperin

Reading Poem by Matthew Olzmann

Rev. Janet

*Letter to the Person Who, During the Q&A Session After the Reading,
Asked for Career Advice*

***Hymn** *May I Be Empty* by Batya Levine

May I be empty and open to receive the light.

May I be empty and open to receive.

May I be full and open to receive the light.

May I be full and open to receive.

Reading *Going to Walden* by Mary Oliver

Linda Moffat

Sermon *Letting Ourselves Get Lost* Rev. Janet

***Closing Hymn** *May Nothing Evil Cross This Door* #1

Postlude Peter Halperin

Chalice Extinguishing and Benediction Rev. Janet

Thank you to our volunteers Katherine Colon, Stephanie Michalczyk, Liz Loucks for providing service support and Betty Burton for refreshments and to Liz Loucks for visual arts for today's service.

Need Someone to Listen?

In addition to pastoral care being available from Rev. Janet, your Lay Ministers (Bill Bridwell, Jan Casey, Kevin Longval) are available to lend support to anyone in our UUSMV community in their time of need by being available to listen and offer comfort. You can reach them individually by calling:

Jan Casey (508-942-3643),

Bill Bridwell (774-563-8542),

Kevin Longval (781-249-4712)

or reach out to uu.society.mv@gmail.com

Coming Events

Sunday, February 18, 8: 30 - 9:30 pm: Young Peoples AA (Stevens Chapel)

Sunday, February 18, 4- 5:30 pm: Musical Sunday Afternoons with Darby & Sam Rose coloured Glasses, free, all are welcome!

Tuesday, February 20, 9:30 am: Meditation Circle - Join on Zoom (Meeting ID: 864 3352 3334 passcode: 737316) or Contact Ed Merck ejm646@gmail.com

Friday, February 23, 10 - 11:15 am: Let's Have a Visit (meet on Zoom)

Tuesday, February 27, 5 - 6 pm: "Transgender Inclusion in Congregations" discussion for those taking the course by Transforming Hearts Collective (meeting takes place on Zoom)

Friday, March 1, 2 pm: Sewcial Action Knitwork at the home of Katherine Colon

Sunday, March 3, 4- 5:30 pm: Musical Sunday Afternoons with Becky & Rich, Convertibles duo, free, all are welcome

Tuesday, March 5, 11 am - 1 pm: Neighborhood Convention at Stevens Chapel

