

Unitarian Universalist Society of Martha's Vineyard

March 17, 2024

Why Wait?

with

Reverend Jill De La Hunt

"We all need love. Without enough love, we may not be able to survive, as individuals and as a planet. It is said that the next Buddha will be named "Maitreya," the Buddha of Love. I believe that Maitreya might not take the form of an individual, but as a community showing us the way of love and compassion." Venerable Thich Nhat Hahn

Ringing the Bell

Prelude Jeremy Berlin

Welcome & Community Connection Liz Loucks

Call to Worship and Chalice Lighting

***Opening Hymn** *Come, Come, Whoever You Are* #188

Time for All Ages *Sophie Learns to Be Brave* by Joan Halifax The Rev. Jill De La Hunt

Candles of Joy and Concern Liz Loucks

Meditative Silence (approximately 3 minutes of silence)

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Janet

Hymn *Response Courage, My Friend*

Reading *Please Call Me By My True Names* by Venerable Thich Nhat Hanh Rev. Jill

Offering Liz Loucks

Video Reading *Our Hero* by Greg Fain and Ben Gustin by Sensei Alan Senauke

Reflection *Why Wait?* Rev. Jill

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

Benediction Rev. Jill

Postlude Jeremy Berlin

Rev. Jill De La Hunt has been a Buddhist practitioner for 35 plus years. Her teacher is Roshi Joan Halifax. Rev. Jill received precepts from the Venerable Thich Nhat Hanh in 1992 and from Roshi Joan in 2015. She is a graduate of the Upaya Zen Center chaplaincy training program. In 2019, Rev. Jill received lay ordination from Roshi Joan. She received Hoshi entrustment from Roshi Joan in 2022.

Through her vows, Rev. Jill is humbly committed to facing systemic injustices and working to dismantle white supremacy and other forms of oppression. She lives on the Island and serves as Dharma Guide for Island Insight Meditation Community.

Thank you to our volunteers Mimi Davisson, Judy Crawford, Genevieve Abbot for our service support and Sue Streeter providing refreshments 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

Pastoral Support

Would you like to connect with Rev. Janet? Here are three ways:

1. NEW! Coffee Shop Office Hours! Come connect at the Cozy Corner Cafe (located at the Triangle in Edgartown) on Tuesdays from 11 - 1 pm, or the Black Dog Bakery on State Road in Vineyard Pastoral Support Haven on Wednesdays from 12 - 2pm.
2. You can always request one-on-one meetings that directly show up on my calendar through this link: <https://calendly.com/revjanet> From there you can select a date, time, duration and location. Please keep travel time in mind as you schedule.
3. If neither of these options works for you, or if you have a more urgent need, please reach out by phone, text message or email and she will get back to you with options. Cell: (505) 670-4157 (call or text) or email: revjanetnewton@gmail.com

March Events

Sunday, March 24, 8:30 - 9:30 pm: Young Peoples AA (Stevens Chapel)

Tuesday, March 26, 9:30 am: Meditation Circle - Join on Zoom (Meeting ID: 864 3352 3334 Passcode: 737316) or Contact Ed Merck ejm646@gmail.com

Tuesday, March 26, 5 - 6 pm: Transgender Inclusion Course (Zoom, discussion of session 4)

Wednesday, March 27, 5 - 6 pm: Auction Planning meeting (Zoom)

Wednesday, April 3, 6 pm: Proposed Changes to Article 2 Conversation w/ Rev. Janet (Zoom)

Friday, April 5, 2 pm: Sewcial Action Knitwork at the home of Mimi Davisson

Sunday, April 7, after service: Proposed Changes to Article 2 Conversation w/ Rev. Janet

Sunday, April 7, 2 - 4 pm: Retreat sponsored by Interfaith Climate Action Team of MV (ICAT) @ West Tisbury Library. More information will follow.

Sunday, April 7, 4- 5:30 pm: Musical Sunday Afternoons with Andy Herr duo, free, all are welcome!

Monday, April 15, 3 - 5 pm: Parish Committee (Zoom)

