

Unitarian Universalist Society of Martha's Vineyard

May 5, 2024

Managing Chaos in a Pluralistic World

with Rev. Janet Newton

"You will be miserable to the degree that you are hung up on the notion that things should — must — go a certain way. If you have no fixed view, you remain elastic." — Alan Watts

"One can choose to go back toward safety or forward toward growth. Growth must be chosen again and again; fear must be overcome again and again." — Abraham Maslow

Ring the Bell

Welcome and Community Connection

Mimi Davisson

Prelude *Never One Thing* by May Erlewine

Call to Worship & Chalice Lighting

Rev. Janet

***Opening Hymn** *We Shall Be Known* by MaMuse, as performed by Thrive Choir

Part 1

We shall be known by the company we keep
By the ones who circle round to tend these fires
We shall be known by the ones who sow and reap
The seeds of change, alive from deep within the earth

Part 2

It is time now, it is time now that we thrive
It is time we lead ourselves into the well
It is time now, and what a time to be alive
In this Great Turning we shall learn to lead in love
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Time for All Ages

Reflection Part I

Rev. Janet

***Musical Response** *Meditation on Breathing*

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Mimi Davisson

Silent Meditation (~2 minutes)

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Janet

Musical Response *Rooted* by Aisha Badru

Offering

Mimi Davisson

Offertory

Musical Response *Wider Circles* by Rising Appalachia

Reflection Part II

Rev. Janet

Musical Response *Where You Go* by Shoshana Jedwab

Where you go, I will go, Beloved. Where you go, I will go.

Where you lie, I will lie, Beloved. Where you lie, I will lie.

For your people are my people, your people are mine.

For your people are my people, your divine, my divine.

Benediction

Rev. Janet

Postlude

Thank you to our volunteers Stephanie Michalcyzk , Bill Bridwell and Judy Crawford for our service support and Lucinda Sheldon for providing refreshments.

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 USMV 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

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Connect with Rev. Janet

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

1. Due to a scheduling challenge, Rev. Janet will be changing her Coffee Shop Office Hours for the remainder of the month of May. If you are hoping to connect with her, she'd love to see you on **Fridays, starting 5/10 from 12:30 to 2:30 pm , at the Black Dog Cafe on State Road**. Please feel free to text, call or use Calendly if you'd like to make a direct appointment to meet up.

2. For pastoral care needs, request a one-on-one meeting 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

