

# Unitarian Universalist Society of Martha's Vineyard

December 1, 2024

## *"Embodied: Coming Home to Our Bodies"*

with

Catie Blake

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*"This business of having been issued a body is deeply confusing – another thing I'd like to bring up with God." by Ann Lamott*

### Ring the Bell

### Welcome and Community Connection

Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

### Prelude

Silas Berlin

### Opening Words by Gwen Matthews and Chalice Lighting

Sue Streeter  
Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

### Hymn# 168 "One More Step"

Silas Berlin

### Candles of Joy and Concern

Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

Hymn #123 seated "Spirit of Life"

Silas Berlin

Prayer "Spirit and Body Joined Together"  
by Laure Horton-Ludwig

Betsy Young Buck

### Reading "Presence" by Tracy Cochran

Ann Hollister

### Offering

Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

### Offertory Music

Silas Berlin

### Sermon

Catie Blake

### Hymn #118 "This Little Light of Mine"

Silas Berlin

### Benediction/Blessing

Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie

### Postlude

Silas Berlin

Thank you to our volunteers Mimi Davisson, Sue Streeter and Mary Carmel for our service support, Mimi Davisson for providing refreshments.

Worship Committee's hope is to create Sunday services relevant to your lives and informed by a powerful sense of something beyond ourselves. Our sermons are not TED talks, they are spiritually-driven moments in time when we connect and share our vulnerabilities with each other. The sermon takes place in a spiritual mix of song, prayer, poetry and candle-lighting. If you feel that you have an idea for a worship topic or sermon (even if it is not fully shaped in your mind), please reach out to a member of the Worship Committee: Linda Moffet, Liz Loucks, Peter Palches, or Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie. We will collaborate with you in making something germane and powerful.

### **Pastoral Coverage and Care**

Rev. Vicki Hanjian will provide pastoral care. She can be reached at 508-696-8225 or [av.hanjian@verizon.net](mailto:av.hanjian@verizon.net)

### **Need Someone to Listen?**

In addition to pastoral care being available from Rev. Vicky, 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 [uu.society.mv@gmail.com](mailto:uu.society.mv@gmail.com)

### **Join us for our Annual Candlelight Service Sunday, December 15th at 5 pm**



Following our warm and reflective Candlelight Service, you're invited to continue the spirit of community and celebration at our Holiday Potluck! Let's share delicious dishes, connect with one another, and bask in the joy of the season together. Please bring a place setting and your favorite dish to share—sweet, savory, or something in between.

Beverages will be provided. All are welcome—bring your friends and family!

Please contact Kristy Brooks or Emily Solarazza with any questions.

Note: there will be no morning service as we prepare for our evening festivities.

### **Upcoming Events**

Sunday, December 1, 8:30 - 9:30 pm: Young Peoples AA (Stevens Chapel)

Tuesday, December 3, 4:30 pm: Worship Committee (Zoom)

Friday, December 6, 4 pm: ProjectConnect Group Meeting

Sunday, December 8, after service: Member Meeting to discuss Budget & Ministries for

Monday, December 9, 3 pm: Parish Committee (Zoom)

Friday, December 13, 10 am: Let's Have A Visit (Zoom)

Friday, December 13, 5:30-7:30 pm: Ornament Painting Party

