

# Unitarian Universalist Society of Martha's Vineyard

May 18, 2025

## *"Imagination is Funny"*

*With*

*Rev. Vicky Hanjian*

"The imagination retains a passion for freedom. There are no rules for the imagination. It never wants to stay trapped in the expected territories. The old maps never satisfy it. It wants to press ahead beyond the accepted frontiers and bring back reports of regions no mapmaker has yet visited." John O'Donohue

**Bell Ringing**

**Welcome and Community Connections**

Sheila Hanley

**Prelude**

Peter Halperin

**Opening Words**

**Nurturing Imagination** by Rev. Michelle Collins

**Chalice Lighting** The Soft Light Of This Flame by Rev. Scott Tayler

Kevin Longval

**Hymn #298** "Wake, Now, My Senses" (Verses One and Two)

**Candles of Joy and Concern**

**Hymn #159** "This Is My Song"

**Reading** by Nick Cave

Sheila Hanley

**Offertory**

Peter Halperin

**Sermon**

**Closing Hymn #298** "Wake Now My Senses" (Verses Three and Four)

**Benediction** by John O'Donohue

**Postlude**

Peter Halperin

Thank you to our volunteers, the Maray Carmel, Bill Bridwell and Jenifer Parkinson for service support and Joni Merry providing refreshments.

### **Worship Committee (WC)**

The members of the Worship Committee (WC) are always open to hearing your thoughts, concerns, and ideas for the congregation. Please don't hesitate to reach out to any of the following committee members:

Sheila Hanley: sheilahanley4@gmail.com,

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They look forward to hearing from you and working together to strengthen our community!

### **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)

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### **Upcoming events**

Wednesday, May 21 at 5 pm: Membership/Hospitality Committee (Zoom)

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

Friday, June 6, 2 pm: Sewcial Action Knitwork

Monday, June 9 at 3-5 pm: Parish Committee at the Chapel

Saturday, June 14, 3 - 6 pm: Pride on Island - Pride Parade, Oak Bluffs

Saturday, June 28, 11 am: Memorial Service for Clara Kennedy

Monday, June 30, 2025, 10:30 am - 12 pm: Finance Committee (Zoom)



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