

We asked this question in worship service on 10/8/2017. Here are the responses.

What do you think we should do to reduce gun violence in the United States?

- Tighter gun laws!
- Limit access to guns!
- No gun shows!
- Restrict sale of ammunition, which is not mentioned in the second amendment
- Compel gun owners to serve or pay for civil defense militias which are in the Second Amendment
- Teach empathy and anger management at all elementary and secondary schools and require a course in personal conflict resolution to be mandatory for graduation
- Have a collection of automatic weapons as Australia did, no more weapons of war. Our citizens should not have these!
- Have background checks in every state in the US
- Forbid assault weapons
- Show kindness to everyone!
- Ban military assault weapons
- Background checks
- Regulate guns while protecting second amendment concerns
- Universal background checks and regulate gun shells

- Promote home firearm safety. Safes and locks
- Find common ground where possible
- Turn off our TV
- Potluck dinners
- Widen our friends in community
- Invest more in education and mental health services
- Consider gun ownership liked auto ownership. Require extensive training and licensing
- Ban guns!
- Vote people out of office who favor the NRA
- Make a statement to the people of Westford and act locally
- It's multi factorial so there are many things to do
- Address mental health
- Teach our children yoga and meditation in our schools
- Yes, I think there should be more gun control enforcement
- Why does anyone need more than one gun?
- Stricter regulations on who owns a gun and have places where are guns are guarded and locked up
- Let us continue to find ways to reduce violence of all kinds and reduce access to guns, all guns
- Reduce and then eliminate guns
- Get to know our neighbors on a personal level

- Teach our children that life is not a winner takes all proposition
- Change the political landscape by getting corporate influence out and breaking the two-party system
- Reward people for being merciful not for being right
- Practice radical forgiveness for ourselves
- Make guns more expensive
- Stiffer penalties for gun crimes
- Guns stay in the army
- Bullet control
- Gun buyback
- Disarm law enforcement
- It seems hopeless
- There seems to be no tipping point in the realization that we are one
- More discussion amongst us, including all ages
- We need five justices on the Supreme Court who share Ruth Bader Ginsburg's view and interpretation of the Second Amendment