



Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent Rev. Melissa Carvill-Ziemer November 23. 2014

# Only Enough

Order of Service: November 23, 2014

## \* Please rise in body or in spirit

Please see one of our greeters if you would like to use a set of headphones, a large-print order of service or hymnal

Music for Gathering Hal Walker, Music Director

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Melissa Carvill Ziemer

Chime

Chalice Lighting Karen Lapidus, Director of Religious Education

We light this chalice because we are Unitarian Universalists.

This is the church of the open mind. This is the church of the helping hands. This is the church of the loving heart.

Opening Music Blue Waters of the North

Native North American melodies, arr. Phyllis Aleta Wolfe Golden Tones Junior Choir

Call to Worship Elaine Bowen, Worship Associate

\*Opening Hymn #68 Come, Ye Thankful People Come

\*Unitarian Universalist Covenant by James Vila Blake

Love is the spirit of this church, and service its law. This is our great covenant: To dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

\*Doxology Old Hundredth

From all that dwell below the skies, let songs of hope and faith arise; let peace, good will on earth be sung, through every land by every tongue.

Silence, Embracing Meditation and Prayer

Musical Meditation Simple Gifts

Trad. Shaker melody, arr. Ruth Elaine Schram Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent Peace Choir

Community Conversation What do you know about grace?

A Story for All Ages

The Best Meal

from Tales for the Seventh Day: A Collection of Sabbath Stories by Nina Jaffe

Karen Lapidus

\*Hymn of Affirmation

#1010 O We Give Thanks

Reading

To the Blessings of This Season by Ken Sawyer

Homily

Only Enough The Rev. Melissa Carvill Ziemer

Offering and Offertory

The Silver Rain by Alice Henderson, arr. by Peter Amidon Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent Peace Choir

Thanksgiving Communion

\*Closing Words

A Thanksgiving Blessing by Naomi King

Let us join our hands and hearts in gratitude on this wondrous day where we have the abundance of our lives before us. We remember this day of bounty all of those who do not have enough, who are afraid, who are lonely, and who suffer.

We wish for the abundance of this world to be shared, for fear to become love, for the lonely to feel welcomed, and for the suffering to know rest and joy.

For the labors, the love, the care that gave us the delights of this and every day, we say "thanks!" For the nourishment of our spirit, the challenges that strengthen us, and the friends we have on the journey, we sing "thanks!"

For all that is our lives, for these good gifts, we whisper, "thanks!" Overflowing with gratitude, let us shout, "thanks!" Amen.

\*Closing Hymn

#407 We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table

\*Benediction

Charles A. Howe

Cover Art: The image on the cover is from Eric Enstrom's 1918 photo Grace.

Next Week: From Untouchable to Dalit Led by Lori McGee and Worship Associate Bonnie Harper VISITORS - Welcome! We are glad you are here. Thank you for participating in worship with us today. We hope that you will find a spiritual home here and that you will be enriched in the liberal religious practice and heritage of Unitarian Universalism. The members of this church take pride in the fact that we embrace people of all races, ethnicities, ages, creeds, sexual orientations, and abilities. In addition, we are a "Welcoming Congregation," which means that we have taken part in a special program, designed by the UUA, for congregations that see a need to become more inclusive towards bisexual, gay, lesbian, and/or transgender people. This congregation is a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association. The principles and purposes of the UUA, which we "covenant to affirm and promote," can be found in the front of the hymnal, on the UUA website (www.uua.org), and on bookmarks available in the front entryway.

### We are concerned about everyone's safety.

If we need to evacuate the building for a fire drill or for any other reason, please follow the directions of the worship leader. Parents and guardians should look for their children on the grassy area behind the annex and should not go to the classrooms. People with mobility concerns or other special needs should proceed to the Founders' Lounge where evacuation assistance will be available.

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