



# Lean on Me



March 22, 2015  
Rev. Melissa Carvill-Ziemer  
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

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Order of Service:

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*\* 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 and Chalice Lighting by Howard Thurman  
Jeff Marsh, Worship Associate

Opening Music *Chico Gospel*  
by MaMuse  
Golden Tones Junior Choir

Call to Worship by Harry Emerson Fosdick

\*Opening Hymn #360 *Here We Have Gathered*

\* 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.*

Time for All Ages *Desiree's Community*  
drawn from various news sources  
Karen Lapidus, Director of Religious Education

Singing the Children Out

*You've got the light of Love inside you,  
Go on your way in peace  
So, shine that light, this whole world now awaits you  
Go on your way in peace (2x)  
You know, we hold you, we hold you, yes, we hold you.*

Wisdom Words *23rd Psalm, recast by Nan C. Merrill*  
*in Psalms for Praying: An Invitation to Wholeness*

Silence, Embracing Meditation and Prayer

Musical Meditation

*Morning Has Broken*  
arr. by Kevin McChesney  
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent Tone Chimers

Reflection

*Friends for the Journey*  
Jeff Marsh

\*Hymn of Affirmation

#354 *We Laugh, We Cry*  
verses 1-3

Sermon

*Lean on Me*  
The Rev. Melissa Carvill Ziemer

Offering

Today is Climate Justice Sunday and our special collection will benefit the efforts of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's commitment to the human right to water in the face of climate change on World Water Day. Donations of any amount qualify for a UUSC membership. Donations of \$40 or more qualify for various benefits, such as mailed copies of UUSC reports. Donations of \$125 or more are eligible to be matched dollar for dollar by a grant — doubling the impact of your support!

Please make checks payable to the UU Church of Kent with "UUSC" noted on the memo line or feel free to use a pew envelope marking the special collection box and including your name and address so we may credit you for the donation and submit your information for your UUSC membership. Thank you for your generosity.

Offertory

*You Raise Me Up*  
Words and Music by Rolf Lovland and Brendan Graham  
solo by Kaley Mack; piano, Venessa Vesely

\*Closing Words

adapted from Emily Dickinson

If I can stop one heart from breaking, I shall not live in vain.  
If I can ease one life the aching or cool one pain,  
Or help one fainting robin unto his nest again, I shall not live in vain.  
Let this be our hope, our promise and our prayer.

\*Closing Hymn

#1021 *Lean on Me*

\*Benediction

from Duke T. Gray

*Next Week: Failure's Gifts*

*Led by the Rev. Melissa Carvill Ziemer and Worship Associate John Marfy*

**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](http://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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