

TO BE HUMAN IS TO PROMISE



September 7, 1014
Rev. Melissa Carvill-Ziemer
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent



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Order of Service: _____ September 7, 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 and 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 *Don't You Need a Welcome*
Hal Walker
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent Peace Choir
with soloist Jill Forsman

Call to Worship on promises from Scott Tayler
Bonnie Harper, Worship Associate

*Opening Hymn #360 *Here We Have Gathered*

*Responsive Reading *Our 7 Unitarian Universalist Principles:
Children's Version*

Left	Each and every person is important
Right	Be kind in all you do
Left	We're free to learn together
Right	Search for what is true and right
Left	All people need a voice
Right	Build a fair and peaceful world
All	We care for the earth and all upon it

*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.*

Story for All Ages *Making Promises and Keeping Promises*
Karen Lapidus

Hymn of Affirmation #1007 *There's A River Flowin' in My Soul*

Silence and Embracing Meditation

Prayer

Musical Meditation *Love Grows*
Hal Walker
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent Peace Choir,
Golden Tones Junior Choir and the Fallow Time Folk Orchestra

Reflection *We Make Promises to Ourselves*
The Rev. Melissa Carvill Ziemer

Water and Earth Communion

*Hymn #1011 *Return Again*

Reflection *We Make Promises to Each Other*
Karen Lapidus

Offering and Offertory *Rivers of Grace*
Carla Gates

*Closing Words Dennis McCarty on James Luther Adams

Human beings are at our best when we make solemn promises to one another and try hard to keep them.

We are the only animal that makes promises:

we are promise-making, promise-keeping, promise-breaking, promise-renewing creatures.

Our very humanity lies in the way we carry out our promises to our families, our coworkers, our neighbors, and our fellow members of the human family...

to be genuine, a covenant must be a covenant of being.

It's not just about good words, but about actions.

*Closing Hymn #121 *We'll Build a Land*

*Benediction

*Next Week: We Pledge Our Hearts
Led by Rev. Melissa Carvill-Ziemer*

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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