

CHRISTMAS EVE



2014
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
CHURCH OF KENT



Christmas Eve Young Family Service

Order of Service: 4:30 PM

December 24, 2014

Music for Gathering

Hal Walker, Music Director

Chime

Carol (standing)

Joy to the World
Susanna Smart, autoharp

*Joy to the world , the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her king;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.*

*Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.*

*He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders, of his love.*

Welcome

The Rev. Renee Ruchotzke
Affiliated Community Minister

Chalice Lighting

Karen Lapidus
Director of Religious Education

Lesson: *The Annunciation*

Carol (seated)

It Came upon the Midnight Clear
Susanna Smart, autoharp

*It came upon the midnight clear
that glorious song of old
from angels bending near the earth
to touch their harps of gold
Peace on the earth, good will to men
From heaven the news we bring
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.*



Lesson: *The Nativity*

Carol (seated)

Away in a Manger
Susanna Smart, autoharp

*Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.*

*The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes;
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
And stay by my cradle til morning is nigh.*



Lesson: *The Angels and Shepherds*

Carol (seated)

O Come, All Ye Faithful
Susanna Smart, autoharp

*O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him, born the king of angels;*

Refrain: *O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*

*Lo, humble shepherds, hasting to his cradle,
leaving their flocks in the fields, draw near.
We, too, with gladness, thither bend our footsteps;*

Refrain



Lesson: *The Wise Men*

Carol (seated)

We Three Kings of Orient Are
Susanna Smart, autoharp

*We three kings of Orient are;
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.*

Refrain: *O star of wonder, star of light,
star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light.*

*Born a babe on Bethlehem's plain.
Gold I bring to crown him again.
Love forever, ceasing never
in our hearts to reign.*

Refrain



Offering

For Christmas, any undesignated offerings will go to the Community Action Council's Emergency Weatherization Fund. Please make all checks payable to the UU Church of Kent and indicate on the memo line that the check is for the CAC Emergency Energy Conservation Fund or, use a Pew Envelope and check the Special Offering box. If your offering is intended as a pledge payment, please write pledge on the memo line. Thank you.

Offertory

Laurie and Ed Caner

Lighting of the Candles

Shared Prayer and Silence

Carol (seated)

Silent Night
Susanna Smart, autoharp

*Silent night, holy night. All is calm, all is bright
Round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace. Sleep in heavenly peace.*

*Silent night, holy night. Shepherds quake at the sight;
Glories stream from heaven afar.
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia,
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!*

Benediction

Postlude



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.

Church Office: The church office is located in the Eldredge Annex next to the church building. Church Office hours are: Monday -Friday 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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