

Tending Our Little Place in the Interdependent Web



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Rev. Melissa Carvill Ziemer
Unitarian Universalist
Church of Kent



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Order of Service:

April 24, 2016

**** 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, Announcements, and Greetings Rev. Melissa Carvill Ziemer
- Chime and Chalice Lighting Dave Clements, Intern Minister
- Opening Music *Emerald Stream*, by Seth Houston
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent Peace Choir
- Call to Worship *When Earth Becomes an "It"*
by Mary Lou Awiakta
Jeff Marsh, Worship Associate
- *Opening Hymn #1073 *The Earth is Our Mother*
- *Unitarian Universalist Covenant 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 *Living Our 7th Principle: Stewards of Earth's Biosphere*
MaryLou Holly, Green Sanctuary Convener
- 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 *Communion Circle*, by Mark Belletini
- Silence and Embracing Meditation

Prayer

A Prayer of Sorrow
from U.N. Environmental Sabbath Service
Earth Day 1990

Response: We have forgotten who we are.

Musical Meditation

Living Planet, by Jay Mankita
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent Peace Choir

Homily, Part I

Lamentations and Praise
Rev. Melissa Carvill Ziemer

*Hymn of Affirmation

For the Beauty of the Earth

Guided Meditation

Conjuring Butterflies and Friends
in our Church Gardens

Homily, Part II

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Prayer

A Prayer of Healing
from U.N. Environmental Sabbath Service
Earth Day 1990

Response: We join with the earth and with each other.

Offering

Our special collection today is in support of the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's efforts in Ecuador to provide immediate relief to earthquake affected communities, paying special attention to such vulnerable groups as ethnic and tribal minorities, refugees, women, and children. For more information, visit: <http://goo.gl/XPIMfS>

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

Offertory

Spring Has Now Unwrapped the Flowers
Hal Walker, Vanessa and Blaine Vesely, and Krsnaa Fitch

*Closing Words

#417 by Barbara J. Pescan

*Closing Hymn

#1064 *Blue Boat Home*

*Benediction

Next week: How to Give a Blessing
Led by Rev. Melissa Carvill Ziemer and Worship Associate Lisa Thiel

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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