



Christmas Eve, 2016
Lily Rappaport, Director of Religious Education
Colleen Thoele, Religious Education Assistant
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

Christmas Eve

Order of Service: 4:30 PM

December 24, 2016

** Please rise in body or in spirit*

*Please see one of our greeters if you would like
to use a large-print order of service.*

Music for Gathering Hal Walker, Music Director

Welcome Lily Rappaport
Director of Religious Education

Chime and Chalice Lighting Colleen Thoele
Religious Education Coordinator

Carol *Away in a Manger*, traditional

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

*The cattle are lowing, they also adore
the little Lord Jesus who lies in the straw
I love you, lord Jesus I
ask you to stay close by till morning is here.*

The Christmas Story: Part 1 *Room for a Little One*
by Martin Waddell

Song *Mary Had a Baby*, traditional
Hal Walker

The Christmas Story: Part 2 *Three Wise Women*
by Mary Hoffman

Offering

This month's special collection will benefit the Community Action Council Emergency Energy Conservation Fund, an outreach to help residents of Portage County. For more information visit:
<http://www.cacportage.net/>

Please make checks payable to the UU Church of Kent with "CAC" 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

Go Tell It on the Mountain, traditional

*Go, tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and everywhere
Go, tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born*

*While shepherds kept their watching
Over silent flocks by night
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light*

Reading

Every Night a Child is Born is a Holy Night
by Sophia Lyon Fahs

Lighting of the Candles

Please remain seated and use caution while lighting the candles. Hold your candle upright, allowing the person with the unlit candle to dip into your flame. You are welcome to take the candles home with you to enjoy again, or you may deposit them in the boxes by the sanctuary doors as you leave.

Shared Prayer and Silence

Carol

Silent Night

*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.*

Benediction

Everyone is invited downstairs to enjoy refreshments and fellowship immediately following the service.

Holiday Service Schedule

*Christmas Day: Sunday, December 25 10:00 am A Celebration of Spirit
New Year's Day: Sunday, January 1 10:00 am A New Day*

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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