



Come to the Stable



20 December 2020
Colleen Thoele, D.R.E.
Sandy Eaglen
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

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Order of Service

December 20, 2020

Music for Gathering	Hal Walker, Music Director
Welcome	Colleen Thoele, Director of Religious Education
Chime	
Prelude	<i>Welcome Here</i> , traditional Shaker song Hal Walker
Call to Worship	Sandy Eaglen and Colleen Thoele
Opening Hymn	#253 <i>Oh, Come All Ye Faithful</i>
Chalice Lighting	Michelle Bores <i>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 hearts.</i>
Sharing our Joys and Concerns	Colleen Thoele
Silence and Prayer	
Musical Interlude	Hal Walker

Part One

<i>How Did the Animals Know?</i>	by Julia Cunningham
<i>The Barn</i>	by Elizabeth Coatsworth
<i>First Light</i>	by Julia Cunningham
<i>The Friendly Beasts</i>	12 th century English carol
Hymn (insert)	<i>The Friendly Beasts</i> anonymous, French Carol

Part Two

<i>What the Donkey Saw</i>	by U.A. Fanthorpe
<i>A Sheep Speaks</i>	by Julia Cunningham
<i>The Camels, The King's Camels</i>	by Leslie Norris

Carol of the Birds

by Bas- Quercy

Song (video)

The Carol of the Birds
by John Jacob Niles
Golden Tones Junior Choir

Part Three

Mice in the Hay

by Leslie Norris

Hymn

by Julia Cunningham

Dog at the Stable

by Yolen

Hymn

#229 *Gather Round the Manger*

Part Four

The First Christmas Carol

by Rev. Dan Larsen

Special Music

Away in a Manger
Abby Kuras and Hal Walker

Part Five

Hymn to Joy

by Julia Cunningham

A Child's Song for a Child

by Julia Cunningham

Extinguishing the Chalice

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. May we carry these in our hearts and minds until we are together again.

Closing Hymn

For So the Children Come

Each night a child is born is a holy night.

A time for singing, a time for wondering, a time for worshipping.

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Benediction

Sandy Eaglen and Colleen Thoele

Song of Blessing and Sending (video)

Go On Your Way in Peace
Hal Walker
Golden Tones Junior Choir

Virtual Coffee Hour

Special thanks to all of our players this morning!

Actors

Keyaira Fitzgerald
Sarah Lang
Evian Rome
Joel Slater
Franklin Wakefield

Eliza Lang
Amanda Rome
Raylynn Rome
Dana Wakefield
Meredith Wakefield

Nora Lang
Andrew Rome
Kathie Slater
Dave Wakefield
Marion Yeagler



Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24

7:30 PM via Zoom

On This Shining Night

Led by Rev. Steven Protzman and

Worship Associates Kathy Kerns and Heidi Emhoff-Wood

Sunday, December 27: The Space Between

Led by Rev. Steven Protzman and Worship Associate Heidi Shaffer

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. This congregation is a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association. 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. 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 for everyone's safety. If we need to evacuate the building for a fire, a 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 entryway where evacuation assistance will be available.

OUR SUNDAY SERVICE is offered at 10 AM via Zoom. Visit kentuu.org for information to join the service.

Church Office: The church office is located in the Eldredge Annex (yellow house) next to the church building. Office hours are: Monday -Friday 10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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The Friendly Beasts

anon. French Carol

Jesus our brother, kind and good
Was humbly born in a stable rude
And the friendly beasts around Him stood
Jesus our brother, kind and good.

"I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown,
"I carried His mother up hill and down;
I carried her safely to Bethlehem town."
"I," said the donkey, shaggy and brown.

"I," said the cow, all white and red
"I gave Him my manger for a bed;
I gave Him my hay to pillow His head."
"I," said the cow, all white and red.

"I," said the sheep with curly horn,
"I gave Him my wool for His blanket warm;
He wore my coat on Christmas morn."
"I," said the sheep with curly horn.

"I," said the dove from the rafters high,
"Cooed Him to sleep that He should not cry;
We cooed Him to sleep, my mate and I."
"I," said the dove from the rafters high.

"I," said the camel, yellow and black,
"Over the desert, upon my back,
I brought Him a gift in the Wise Men's pack."
"I," said the camel, yellow and black.

Thus every beast by some good spell
In the stable dark was glad to tell
Of the gift he gave Emmanuel,
The gift he gave Emmanuel.