# Where Memory Presses Green Land 30 May 2021 Rev. Steven Protzman. <u>Unitárian Universalist Church of Kent</u>

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Order of Service

May 30, 2021

I don't remember the terror in Greenwood.
I wasn't there. Never was it taught to me in history books.
No one told me in school whose lives and stories were silenced.
Memory is firm in the grass of Greenwood.
What do I know but clouds of smoke
Once rose where memory presses green land.

—James Coburn (white poet)

## Gathering

Music for Gathering

Hal Walker, Music Director
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

Welcome Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent. OH

Chime

Prelude Deep River, by Harry Thacker Burleigh

Saunis Parsons

Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum, Minister

First Parish Church of Stow & Acton, MA

Opening Hymn #1017 Building a New Way, adapted

Chalice Lighting and Words of Covenant

by James Vila Blake

Love is the Spirit of this church, and service it's law. This is our great covenant: To dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another.

Covenant Response Hymn

#389 Gathered Here

# Reflecting

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion

Sharing our sorrows and losses Sharing our joys

Music Meditation

Our World is One World, by Cecily Taylor performed by Lea Morris

## The Story of the Tulsa Race Massacre based on the poem recipe for a massacre: tulsa 1921 by Quraysh Ali Lansana

Part I: ingredients

Part II: and we can't find the sun

#97 Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child Reflection Hymn

Part III: add Colleen Thoele, Director of Religious Education

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Part IV: stir

Music Reflection Amazing Grace, excerpt

arr. by Joseph Martin Vanessa Vesely, Piano

Poem Silenced Cries, by James Coburn

Silence

Rev. Steven Protzman Pastoral Prayer

Hymn #95 There is More Love Somewhere, adapted

Returning

Offering Love Lead the Way, by Lea Morris

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.

#169 We Shall Overcome Closing Hymn

Benediction Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum

Song of Blessing and Sending Go On Your Way in Peace, by Hal Walker

Golden Tones Junior Choir

Virtual Coffee Hour



Next Sunday, June 6, 2021 The Seven Principles: Precepts or Platitudes? Led by Rev. Steven Protzman and Worship Associate Heidi Emhoff Wood 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.

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(yellow house) next to the church building.

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# #1017 Building a New Way

(adapted)

We are seeking a new way. We are seeking a new way. We are seeking a new way, feeling stronger ev'ry day. We are seeking a new way.

We are yearning to be free. We are yearning to be free. We are yearning to be free of hate and greed and jealousy. We are yearning to be free.

We can feed our every need.
We can feed our every need.
We can feed our every need.
Start with love, that is the seed.
We can feed our every need.

Peace and freedom is our cry.
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Peace and freedom is our cry.
Without these this world will die.
Peace and freedom is our cry.

#### #389 Gathered Here

Gathered here in the mystery of the hour.
Gathered here in one strong body.
Gathered here in the struggle and the power.
Spirit, draw near.

# #97 Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child

African American Spiritual

Sometimes I feel like a motherless child, sometimes I feel like a motherless child, sometimes I feel like a motherless child, a long way from home, a long way from home.

Sometimes I feel like I have no friend, sometimes I feel like I have no friend, sometimes I feel like I have no friend, a long way from home, a long way from home.

Sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone, sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone, sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone, a long way from home, a long way from home.

# **#95** There is More Love Somewhere

African American hymn, adapted

There is more love somewhere. There is more love somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is more love somewhere.

There is more hope somewhere. There is more hope somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is more hope somewhere.

There is more peace somewhere. There is more peace somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is more peace somewhere.

There is healing somewhere. There is healing somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is healing somewhere.

There is justice somewhere. There is justice somewhere. I'm gonna keep on 'til I find it. There is justice somewhere.

# **#169 We Shall Overcome**African American Spiritual

We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome some day! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome some day!

We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand some day! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we'll walk hand in hand some day!

We shall all be free, we shall all be free, we shall all be free some day! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall all be free some day!

We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace, we shall live in peace some day! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall live in peace some day!