

The Hard Truth About Truth



11 July 2021

Rev. Christie Anderson

Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

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Order of Service

July 11, 2021

Music for Gathering	Hal Walker, Music Director
Welcome	Rev. Christie Anderson, Worship Leader
Chime	
Prelude (video)	<i>Who We Are</i> Golden Tones Junior Choir
Call to Worship	Kathy Kerns, Worship Associate
Opening Hymn	#6 <i>Just as Long as I Have Breath</i>
Chalice Lighting and Covenant	by 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.	
Sharing Joys and Concerns, and Prayer	Rev. Christie Anderson
Meditation Video	UUCK Members Searching for Truth & Meaning <i>Somewhere Over the Rainbow</i> by Harold Arlen Performed by Christie Anderson
Reading	<i>The Naked Truth</i> 16 th century European fable Kathy Kerns
Sermon: Part I	<i>The Hard Truth About Truth</i> Rev. Christie Anderson
Reading	<i>Dialogue between Unborn Twins</i> Indian folk tale Kathy Kerns
Hymn of Affirmation	#1003 <i>Where Do We Come From?</i>
Sermon: Part II	<i>Sources of Truth</i> Rev. Christie Anderson

Reading	<i>The Afterlife</i> from <i>Questions About Angels</i> by Billy Collins Kathy Kerns
Sermon Conclusion	Rev. Christie Anderson
Offering	Kathy Kerns
Offertory	<i>7 Principles 8 Days a Week</i> Performed by Brad Bolton Music by John Lennon and Paul McCartney, Lyrics by Christie Anderson
Extinguishing the Chalice	Rev. Christie Anderson
	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	#368 <i>Now Let Us Sing</i>
Benediction	Rev. Christie Anderson
Song of Blessing and Sending	<i>Go On Your Way in Peace</i> by Hal Walker Golden Tones Junior Choir
Virtual Coffee Hour	



Next Sunday, July 18, 2021
Radical Acceptance
Led by Randy Bish and Heidi Shaffer Bish

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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#6 *Just as Long as I Have Breath*

Just as long as I have breath, I must answer, "Yes," to life;
though with pain I made my way, still with hope I meet each day.
If they ask what I did well, tell them I said, "Yes," to life.

Just as long as vision lasts, I must answer, "Yes," to truth;
in my dream and in my dark, always that elusive spark.
If they ask what I did well, tell them I said, "Yes," to truth.

Just as long as my heart beats, I must answer, "Yes," to love;
disappointment pierced me through, still I kept on loving you.
If they ask what I did best, tell them I said, "Yes," to love.

#1003 *Where Do We Come From?*

Where do we come from? What are we? Where are we going?
Where do we come from?
Mystery. Mystery. Life is a riddle and a mystery.
Where do we come from? Where are we going?

#368 *Now Let Us Sing*

Now let us sing, sing, sing
Now let us sing, sing, sing
Lift up your voice, be not afraid;
sing to the power of the faith within.

Sing to the power of the hope within ...

Sing to the power of the love within. ...

Sing to the power of the joy within. ...