

### Not a Clue and . . .

### Order of Service

September 19, 2021

All shall be well, and all shall be well and all manner of thing shall be well.

- Julian of Norwich

## Gathering

Music for Gathering

Welcome Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude Be Kind composer unknown

Hal Walker, Katie Grigg-Miller, David Bon, and Vanessa Vesely

Call to Worship Elaine Bowen, Worship Associate

Opening Hymn

Kindred We Now Meet to Worship

by Thommy Lee Snell

Vanessa Vesely, Interim Music Manager and Blaine Vesely

### Chalice Lighting and Congregational Covenant

We affirm that each life has brilliance and, when joined with others in joyful community, has the power to transform.

We pledge ourselves and our resources to this journey.

This covenant inspires and challenges us to dwell together in right relationship.

We promise to extend hospitality, nurture community for all ages, encourage spiritual growth, honor diversity, and practice kindness.

Response Hymn

#188 Come, Come, Whoever You Are

# Reflecting

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion

A time of silence, sharing sorrows and losses, pastoral prayer, and sharing joys

Music Meditation Good Enough, by Lea Morris

Time For All Ages Colleen Thoele, Director of Religious Education

Reading A Letter in Return, by Rev. Lynn Ungar

Hymn of Community #1003 Where Do We Come From?

Sermon Not a Clue and. .

Rev. Steven Protzman

Reading The Peace of Wild Things, by Wendell Berry

Conversation

Questions:

How have you coped with the pandemic? What spiritual practices do you use to find strength and even joy?

## Returning

Offering Find a New Way
written and performed by Katie Grigg-Miller

### 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 (Insert)

Spirit, Make Us One

by Jason Shelton and Kendyl Gibbons

Benediction

Song of Blessing and Sending Go On Your Way in Peace

by Hal Walker

Golden Tones Junior Choir

Virtual Coffee Hour



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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## Kindred, We Now Meet to Worship words

by Thommy Lee Snell sung to "Blue Boat Home"

Kindred, we now meet to worship,
Reaching out through screen and phone.
Though we dwell in isolation,
We don't have to be alone.
Worshipping beyond our building,
Our connection's no less real.
Though we cannot meet in person,
Covenant unites us still.

Siblings, share a song of gladness Lifting spirits, spreading cheer, So that in these days of sadness We won't be consumed by fear. In this time of mass confusion, Sickness, loss, and overwhelm, Let's encourage one another, Hands not joined, but hearts are held.

Friends, be gentle with each other, There's so much we're going through. May this be a time for healing, Holding space for grieving too. Bodies, minds, and hearts are weary, Anguish fills the aching soul, But we know with perseverance Broken hearts can be made whole.

## Come, Come, Whoever You Are

Come, come, whoever you are, wanderer, worshiper, lover of leaving. Ours is no caravan of despair. Come, yet again come.

### 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?

### Spirit, Make Us One

We proclaim a saving message, as in times of old; Hist'ry, give us courage; make us bold. There is healing, there is hope for ev'ry hurting soul; Spirit, give us comfort; make us whole. Make us bold, make us bold Hist'ry, give us courage; make us bold. Make us whole, make us whole Spirit, give us comfort; make us whole.

Earth, receive our heart's thanksgiving, under prairie skies; Nature, bless our yearning; make us wise. We here for one another, in good times and bad; Spirit, give us laughter; make us glad. Make us wise, makes us wise Nature, bless our yearning; make us wise. Make us glad, make us glad Spirit, give us laughter, make us glad.

Still let justice be the saving struggle we pursue; Conscience, give us honor; make us true. We bear witness to the promised future now begun; Spirit, bless our journey; make us one. Make us true, make us true Conscience, give us honor; make us true. Make us one, make us one Spirit, bless our journey, make us one.