



## ***A Road Divided***

Order of Service

November 14, 2021

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,  
And sorry I could not travel both  
And be one traveler, long I stood  
And looked down one as far as I could  
To where it bent in the undergrowth;  
Then took the other, as just as fair,

—Robert Frost

### **Gathering**

Music for Gathering

Welcome

Rev. Dave Clements

Chime

Prelude

*Paddy Fahey's Reel,*  
by P. Fahey, performed by Eddie Caner, fiddle

Words of Gathering

Eric van Baars, Worship Associate

Chalice Lighting and Covenant

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

—James Vila Blake

Opening Hymn

*#1021 Lean on Me*

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion

*A time of silence*

Music Meditation

*Meditation on Recorder*  
by Hal Walker

*Sharing our sorrows and losses, and pastoral prayer*  
*Sharing our joys, wonder and awe*

Hymn of Community #188 *Come, Come, Whoever You Are*

### Reflecting

Time for All Ages Colleen Thoele  
Director of Religious Education

Readings An excerpt from *The Road Not Taken: Finding America  
in the Poem Everyone Loves and Almost Everyone Gets Wrong*,  
by David Orr

*For Everyone Born (A Place at the Table)*,  
music video by the Windermere United Church of Canada Ensemble

Sermon *A Road Divided*  
Rev. Dave Clements

### Returning

Offering *A Million Nightingales*,  
by L. Hirschhorn  
Sung by the UUCK Golden Tones Choir

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 #1028 *The Fire of Commitment*

Benediction *Blessed is the Path*  
By Eric Williams

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](http://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](http://kentuu.org) for information to join the service.**

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Next Sunday, November 21, 2021  
*A Picture of Gratitude*  
Led Rev. Steven Protzman and  
Director of Religious Education Colleen Thoele

### **#1021 Lean on Me**

Sometimes in our lives  
We all have pain, we all have sorrow  
But if we are wise  
We know that there's always tomorrow

Lean on me  
When you're not strong  
And I'll be your friend  
I'll help you carry on...  
For it won't be long  
Till I'm gonna need somebody to lean on

Please swallow your pride  
If I have things you need to borrow  
For no one can fill  
Those of your needs that you won't let show

Lean on me  
When you're not strong  
And I'll be your friend  
I'll help you carry on...  
For it won't be long  
Till I'm gonna need somebody to lean on

If there is a load you have to bear  
That you can't carry  
I'm right up the road, I'll share your load  
If you just call me

You just call on me brother when you need a hand  
We all need somebody to lean on  
I just might have a problem that you'll understand  
We all need somebody to lean on

### **#188 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.

### **#1028 The Fire of Commitment**

From the light of days remembered burns a beacon bright and clear  
Guiding hands and hearts and spirits into faith set free from fear.

Chorus:

When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul ablaze  
When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way  
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within,  
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin.

From the stories of our living rings a song both brave and free,  
Calling pilgrims still to witness to the life of liberty.

Chorus

From the dreams of youthful vision comes a new, prophetic voice,  
Which demands a deeper justice built by our courageous choice

Chorus