



Fulfilling the Dream



16 January 2022
Rev. Steven Protzman
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

Fulfilling the Dream

Order of Service

January 16, 2022

Make a career of humanity.
Commit yourself to the noble struggle for equal rights.
You will make a greater person of yourself,
a greater nation of your country,
and a finer world to live in.

—Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Gathering

Music for Gathering

Welcome

Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude

Let Justice Roll Down
by Aileen Vance
performed by Lea Morris

Words of Gathering

Colleen Thoele,
Director of Religious Education

Chalice Lighting

We come together to remind ourselves
To treat all people kindly
Because they are our brothers and sisters;
To take good care of the earth
Because it is our home;
To live lives full of goodness and love
Because that is how we will make our world
The best place it can be.

Opening Hymn

#1014 Answering the Call of Love

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion

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

Music Meditation

Precious Lord, Take My Hand
by Thomas Andrew Dorsey, arr. by M. Hayes
performed by Vanessa Vesely

Reflecting

Religious Education Reflection

Eden Craver-Dean

Youth Reflection

Maya Kline

Hymn of Affirmation

#1018 *Come and Go With Me*

Sermon

Fulfilling the Dream
Rev. Steven Protzman

Responsive Reading (insert)

The words of Martin Luther King, Jr.
and Angela Herrera

Returning

Offering

Bound for Freedom
by Pat Humphries
performed by Hal Walker

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

If I Had a Hammer
by Pete Seeger and Lee Hays
performed by Saunis Parsons

Benediction

Song of Blessing and Sending

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

Virtual Coffee Hour



Next Sunday: The Intelligence of the Heart
Led by Rev. Steven Protzman and Worship Associate Lori Mirkin-McGee

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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Answering the Call of Love

The promise of the Spirit:
faith, hope and love abide.
And so ev'ry soul is blessed and made whole;
the truth in our hearts is our guide.

Refrain:
We are answering the call of love:
hands joined together as hearts beat as one.
Emboldened by faith, we dare to proclaim
we are answering the call of love.

Sometimes we build a barrier
to keep love tightly bound.
Corrupted by fear, unwilling to hear,
denying the beauty we've found.

Refrain

A bright new day is dawning
when love will not divide.
Reflections of grace in ev'ry embrace,
fulfilling the vision divine.

Refrain

Come and Go With Me

Come and go with me to that land,
Come and go with me to that land,
Come and go with me to that land
where I'm bound. (repeat)

There'll be freedom in that land,
There'll be freedom in that land,
There'll be freedom in that land
where I'm bound. (repeat)

There'll be justice in that land,
There'll be justice in that land,
There'll be justice in that land
where I'm bound. (repeat)

There'll be singing in that land,
There'll be singing in that land,
There'll be singing in that land
where I'm bound. (repeat)

Responsive Reading

The words of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Angela Herrera

Leader: We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny.

*All: From our life's journey,
We join as one community,
One body of people,
Together on the side of love.*

Leader: Human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable... Every step toward the goal of justice requires sacrifice, suffering, and struggle; the tireless exertions and passionate concern of dedicated individuals.

*All: We bring our gifts of compassion and care,
our hopes for the future,
we bring our dream of peace,
Together on the side of love.*

Leader: Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. There are some things in our social system to which all of us ought to be maladjusted.

*All: In covenant together,
we answer a call of justice,
speaking out against oppression,
Together on the side of love.*

Leader: Now let us begin. Now let us rededicate ourselves to the long and bitter, but beautiful, struggle for a new world...The choice is ours, and though we might prefer it otherwise, we must choose in this crucial moment of human history.

*All: Let us have the courage to go out into the world,
Let us dedicate our lives to changing the world,
Let us join together in the struggle,
Together on the side of love.*

If I Had a Hammer
by Pete Seeger and Lee Hays

If I had a hammer, I'd hammer in the morning
I'd hammer in the evening, all over this land
I'd hammer out danger, I'd hammer out a warning
I'd hammer out love between my brothers and my sisters
All over this land

If I had a bell, I'd ring it in the morning
I'd ring it in the evening, all over this land
I'd ring out danger, I'd ring out a warning
I'd ring out love between my brothers and my sisters
All over this land

If I had a song, I'd sing it in the morning
I'd sing it in the evening, all over this land
I'd sing out danger, I'd sing out a warning
I'd sing out love between my brothers and my sisters
All over this land

Well I got a hammer and I got a bell
And I got a song to sing all over this land
It's the hammer of justice, it's the bell of freedom
It's a song about love between my brothers and my sisters
All over this land