

yes, Ethiopia yet shall stretch  
Her bleeding hands abroad;  
Her cry of agony shall reach  
The burning throne of God

# Still Seeking A Way

The suffering God reach off  
His fetters from her soul,  
The mighty Word of God shall  
And spurn the base condition

Redeemed from dust, and  
Her sons shall be their  
From the earth  
Shall

Upon  
Shall be  
For God  
And bid

Neath  
Shall lay  
And

s, with joy  
every day  
and  
happy  
ul bowers.

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20 February 2022  
Rev. Steven Protzman  
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

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Order of Service

February 20, 2022

The truth is this: if we cannot bring justice into the small circle of our own individual lives, we cannot hope to bring justice to the world. Nothing that Unitarian Universalists need to do is more important than making justice real.

—Rev. Rosemary Bray McNatt, African American UU minister  
and President of Starr King Seminary

## **Gathering**

Music for Gathering

Welcome

Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude

*Ticklin' Toes*  
by Florence Price 1887-1953, African American composer  
Vanessa Vesely, piano

Words of Gathering

Heidi Shaffer Bish, Worship Associate

Chalice Lighting

adapted from Rev. Rebekah Savage

Leader: Why do we light this chalice?

*All: Because we are a beloved people united in love and seeking justice.*

Leader: What does this chalice symbolize?

*All: It is a symbol of audacious hope. It shines a light on our shared past, signaling our intention to listen deeply, reflect wisely, and move boldly toward our highest ideals.*

Leader: What do we hope this light will do?

*All: Ignite in us radical love that transforms our energy into purposeful action.*

Opening Hymn

#1017 *Building a New Way*, adapted

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion

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

Music Meditation

*Through Moanin' Pines*  
by H.T. Burleigh 1866-1949, African American composer  
Vanessa Vesely, piano

### Reflecting

Time for All Ages

*Healing the Broken Chalice*  
video by Rev. Jae Scott

Reading

an excerpt from *The Healing is Not Done*  
by Rev. Rebekah Savage

Hymn of Affirmation

*#95 There is More Love Somewhere, adapted*

Sermon

*Still Seeking a Way*  
Rev. Steven Protzman

Reading

an excerpt from *On the Pulse of Morning*  
by Maya Angelou

### Returning

Offering

*On Bended Knees*, by H.T. Burleigh  
Vanessa Vesely, piano

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

*#169 We Shall Overcome*

Benediction

Song of Blessing and Sending

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

Virtual Coffee Hour



*Next Sunday: Widening the Circle*  
*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](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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## **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.

## **There is More Love Somewhere**

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

## **We Shall Overcome**

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!