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27 February 2022

Rev. Steven Protzman

Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

Widening the Circle

Order of Service

February 27, 2022

Beloved Community happens when people of diverse racial, ethnic, educational, class, gender, sexual orientation backgrounds/identities come together in an interdependent relationship of love, mutual respect, and care that seeks to realize justice within the community and in the broader world.

—The Unitarian Universalist Association

Gathering

Music for Gathering

Welcome

Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude

Bound for Freedom
by Pat Humphries, performed by Hal Walker

Words of Gathering

Heidi Emhoff Wood, Worship Associate

Responsive Reading (insert)

Principles and Purposes for All of Us
adapted from the UUA Principles

Chalice Lighting

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote: journeying toward spiritual wholeness by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institutions.

Opening Hymn

#1018 Come and Go With Me

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

Love Lead the Way
by Lea Morris

Reflecting

Time for All Ages

The Invisible Knapsack
based on the writing of Peggy McIntosh
Colleen Thoele, Director of Religious Education

Reading

UUCK Congregational Commitment to Racial Justice
Statement adopted May 23, 2021

Hymn of Affirmation

#153 *Oh, I Woke Up This Morning*

Reading

excerpts from the Eighth Principle website

Reflection

Widening the Circle
Rev. Steven Protzman

Conversation: What would you need in order to endorse the Eighth Principle?

What questions do you have about it?

Returning

Offering

Room at the Table
by Carrie Newcomer

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

#407 *We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table*

Benediction

Song of Blessing and Sending

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

Virtual Coffee Hour



Next Sunday: A Leap of Faith
Led by Rev. Steven Protzman and Worship Associate Eric van Baars

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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Responsive Reading
Principles and Purposes For All of Us
adapted from the UUA Principles

Leader: We affirm and promote the inherent worth and dignity of every person.

All: We believe that each and every person is important.

Leader: We affirm and promote justice, equity, and compassion in human relations.

All: We believe that all people should be treated fairly.

Leader: We affirm and promote acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth.

All: We believe that our churches are places where all people are accepted, and where we keep on learning together.

Leader: We affirm and promote a free and responsible search for truth and meaning.

All: We believe that each person must be free to search for what is true and right in life.

Leader: We affirm and promote the right of conscience and the use of the democratic process.

All: We believe that all people should have a voice and a vote about the things which concern them.

Leader: We affirm and promote the goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all.

All: We believe that we should work for a peaceful, fair, and free world.

Leader: We affirm and promote respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.

All: We believe that we should care for our planet earth.

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

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)

Oh, I Woke Up This Morning

Oh, I woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom.
Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom.
Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom,
Hallelu, Hallelu, Halleluia.

I was walking and talking with my mind stayed on freedom.
Walking and talking with my mind stayed on freedom.
Walking and talking with my mind stayed on freedom,
Hallelu, Hallelu, Halleluia.

I was singing and praying with my mind stayed on freedom.
Singing and praying with my mind stayed on freedom.
Singing and praying with my mind stayed on freedom,
Hallelu, Hallelu, Halleluia.

Oh, I woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom.
Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom.
Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom,
Hallelu, Hallelu, Halleluia.

We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table

We're gonna sit at the welcome table.
We're gonna sit at the welcome table
one of these days, hallelujah!
We're gonna sit at the welcome table,
gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.

All kinds of people around that table.
All kinds of people around that table
one of these days, hallelujah!
All kinds of people around that table,
gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.

No fancy style at the welcome table.
No fancy style at the welcome table
one of these days, hallelujah!
No fancy style at the welcome table,
gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.