

# Wake, Now My Senses

Order of Service April 10, 2022

Driven by your senses, dare to the edge of longing. Let it all happen to you: beauty and dread. Simply go — no feeling is too much — And only this way can we stay in touch. Nearby is the country they call Life.

-Rainer Marie Rilke

#### Gathering

Music for Gathering

Song of Gathering #389 Gathered Here

Welcome Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude Every Part of Me

by Lea Morris and Elise S. Keeler

Words of Gathering Kathy Kerns, Worship Associate

Chalice Lighting UUCK 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.

Opening Hymn Ours is a Simple Faith

# **Supporting Our Community**

Invitation to the 2022 Auction- Buds in Bluum The Auction Team.

Hymn of Community #402 From You I Receive

# Reflecting

Introduction

#298 Wake, Now, My Senses vs. 1

Reading Cosmic Presence, by Sandra Fees

Reflection Kathy Kerns

Wake, Now, My Senses vs. 2

Reading O You Who've Gone on Pilgrimage, by Rumi

Reflection Rev. Steven Protzman

Wake, Now, My Senses vs. 3

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion

A time of silence, sharing our lives, and pastoral prayer

Wake, Now, My Senses vs. 4

Time for All Ages Social Justice Math, by Jim Coppoc

Wake, Now, My Senses vs. 5

The Commissioning of Kathy Kerns as a Commissioned Lay Minister
Lori Mirkin-McGee, CLM; Don Gregg, Board Moderator;
Christie Anderson, CLM and Affiliated Community Minister;
and Diana Watt. Former Board Moderator

A Ritual of Covenant and Blessing and Congregation Response (insert)

### Returning

Offering Swimming to the Other Side, by Pat Humphries performed by Emma's Revolution

Extinguishing the Chalice

Song of Blessing and Sending

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 #298 Wake, Now, My Senses

Benediction Kathy Kerns, Commissioned Lay Minister

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

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Next Sunday: Oh Day of Joy and Gladness Led by Rev. Steven Protzman, DRE Colleen Thoele, 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 Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA), for congregations who have chosen to be 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, and the UUA website (www.uua.org).

# OUR SUNDAY SERVICE is offered at 10 AM both in-person and via Zoom. Visit kentuu.org for information to join the service.

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#### **Gathered Here**

Gathered here in the mystery of the hour. Gathered here in one strong body. Gathered here in the struggle and the power. Spirit, draw near.

# Ours is a Simple Faith by David Tamulevich

Chorus: Ours is a simple faith

Life is a short embrace

Heaven is in this place every day

Hope is the ground we till. Make each day what you will.

Thankful for dreams fulfilled. every day.

There is no Hell to fear. No judgment day drawing near. Trust that inner voice you hear, every day... Life's not a goal or race. It's about heart and faith, And living a life of grace, every day.

#### Chorus

Trust is an open hand, making an honest stand. Rooted in the land, every day...
Live in the mystery, seeking the harmony,
Here between you and me, every day.

#### Chorus

#### From You I Receive

From you I receive, to you I give.
Together we share, and from this we live.

# **Congregational Response**

for the Ritual of Covenant and Blessing

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.

## Wake, Now, My Senses

Wake, now, my senses, and hear the earth call; Feel the deep power of being in all; Keep, with the web of creation your vow, Giving, receiving as love shows us how.

Wake, now my reason, reach out to the new; Join with each pilgrim who quests for the true Honor the beauty and wisdom of time; Suffer thy limit, and praise the sublime.

Wake, now, compassion, give heed to the cry; Voices of suffering fill the wide sky; Take as your neighbor both stranger and friend, Praying and striving their hardship to end.

Wake, now, my conscience, with justice thy guide Join with all people whose rights are denied; Take not for granted a privileged place; God's love embraces the whole human race.

Wake, now, my vision of ministry clear; Brighten my pathway with radiance here; Mingle my calling with all who will share; Work toward a planet transformed by our care.