

# Oh Day of Joy & Gladness



17 April 2022  
Rev. Steven Protzman  
Unitarian Universalist  
Church of Kent



# *Oh Day of Joy and Gladness*

Order of Service

April 17, 2022

In silence, the flowers rise up from the earth  
until the blossoms sing alleluia in our hearts.  
In silence, the leaves uncurl into the air,  
until their bright green strikes us, ringing  
us like a bell, sounding an alleluia.  
In silence, the word Love scrolls across the morning sky.  
—Rev. Mark Belletini

## **Gathering**

Music for Gathering

Welcome Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude *Allegro*, by Jean Baptiste Loillet  
performed by Shirley Kiernan, violin and Vanessa Vesely, keyboard

Words of Gathering Heidi Emhoff Wood, Worship Associate

Opening Hymn #38 *Morning Has Broken*

Chalice Lighting adapted from Judith L. Quarles

Leader: Chalice flame, fire of Spring, of Passover, of Easter, bring to us  
beauty:

All: the beauty of the spring with its flowers: daffodils, tulips, and  
snowdrops.

Leader: Bring to us strength:

All: the strength of a people who broke the bond of slavery and  
went in search of freedom.

Leader: Bring to us hope:

All: the hope in the magic of spring as it triumphs over winter and  
life renewing itself once again, triumphant over death.

Leader: Bring to us light:

All: the divine light glowing in every heart; the light of love guiding  
us on our way.

Leader: Bring to us joy:

All: the joy that this season brings.

Chalice Lighting Response Hymn

#395 *Sing and Rejoice*

## Stories of Passover, Ramadan, and Easter

### *The Story of Passover*

Hymn of Hope #104 *When Israel was in Egypt's Land*

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion

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

Music Meditation *On Wings of Song*, by Felix Mendelssohn  
performed by Shirley Kiernan, violin and Vanessa Vesely, keyboard

### *The Sacred Month of Ramadan*

Time for All Ages *Mullah Nasruddin Feeds His Coat*  
Tapestry of Faith, adapted from a Middle Eastern Islamic folk tale  
Colleen Thoele, Director of Religious Education

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

### *The Mystery of Easter*

Easter Hymn #268 *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

### *The Rabbit's Gift*

## Returning

Offering *Bourree*, by George Frederick Handel  
performed by Shirley Kiernan, violin and Vanessa Vesely, keyboard

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 *With a Song of Joy*, by Bret Hesla

Benediction

Song of Blessing and Sending *Go On Your Way in Peace*  
by Hal Walker  
Golden Tones Junior Choir



*Next Sunday: Every Day is Earth Day*  
*Led by DRE Colleen Thoele with our Children and Youth*

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## Activities & Events: April 17 - 23

<https://kentuu.org/calendar/>

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### Apr. 17 Sunday

10:00 AM Worship Service  
11:00 AM Egg Hunt / No RE Classes

### Apr. 18 Monday

### Apr. 19 Tuesday

10:00 AM Staff Meeting  
7:00 PM RE Committee

### Apr. 20 Wednesday

7:00 PM R4J Book Group

### Apr. 21 Thursday

7:00 PM Board of Trustees  
7:00 PM Thurs. Covenant Group

### Apr. 22 Friday

### Apr. 23 Saturday

### Apr. 24 Sunday

10:00 AM Worship Service  
No RE Classes  
2:00 PM Community Open House

For more information, please read the e-nUUs.  
<https://kentuu.org/news/announcements-events/>

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## **Morning Has Broken**

Morning has broken like the first morning,  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing, fresh from the Word.

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
like the first dew fall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!

## **Sing and Rejoice**

Sing and rejoice.  
Sing and rejoice.  
Let all things living now,  
sing and rejoice.

## **When Israel was in Egypt's Land**

When Egypt was in Israel's land,  
let my people go;  
oppressed so hard they could not stand,  
let my people go.

Refrain: Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt land,  
tell old Pharaoh, to let my people go.

The Lord told Moses what to do,  
let my people go;  
to lead the tribe of Israel through,  
let my people go.

Refrain

For you the cloud shall clear the way, let my people go;  
a fire by night, a shade by day,  
let my people go.

Refrain

We need not always weep and moan,  
let my people go;  
and wear these slav'ry chains forlorn,  
let my people go.

Refrain

## **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.

## **Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!  
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Hearts are strong, and voices sing, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
As he died his truth to save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Living out the words he said, Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

## **With a Song of Joy**

With a song of joy the buds shall break  
With a song of joy the seeds shall wake  
May their song of joy be the song that you sing in your heart.  
With a song of joy the sea shall roar  
With a song of joy the sky shall pour  
May their song of joy be the song that you sing in your heart.

Chorus: Joy will be the song  
Joy will be the song  
Joy will be the song in my heart. (2x)

With a song of hope the sun will burn  
With a song of hope the geese return  
May their song of hope be the song that you sing in your heart.  
With a song of hope the grain will swell  
With a song of hope the kids will yell  
May their song of hope be the song that you sing in your heart.

Chorus: Hope will be the song  
Hope will be the song  
Hope will be the song in my heart. (2x)

With a song of peace the wind will blow  
With a song of peace the stream will flow  
May their song of peace be the song that you sing in your heart.  
With a song of peace the grass will bend  
With a song of peace the wound will mend  
May their song of peace be the song that you sing in your heart.

Chorus: Peace will be the song  
Peace will be the song  
Peace will be the song in my heart (2x)

With a song of love the dads will play  
With a song of love the field will sway  
May their song of love be the song that you sing in your heart.  
With a song of love the lilies bloom  
With a song of love in the mother's womb  
May their song of love be the song that you sing in your heart.

Chorus: Love will be the song  
Love will be the song  
Love will be the song in my heart (2x)