The Flame That Burns Within



8 January 2023 Rev. Steven Protzman Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

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Order of Service

January 8, 2023

Don't ask what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive, and go do it. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive.

—Howard Thurman

Gathering

Music for Gathering

Whoever You Are words adapted from the Welcome Statement of the Jefferson Unitarian Church, Golden, CO music by Katie Grigg-Miller

Welcome

Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude

A Voice Across the Canyon composed and performed by Mike Hovancsek; Native American flute

Words of Gathering

Randy Bish, Worship Associate

Chalice Lighting and 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

#1028 The Fire of Commitment

Reflecting

Time for All Ages

Colleen Thoele, Director of Religious Education

Singing the Children, Teachers, and Caregivers to their Classes

Go on Your Way in Peace by Hal Walker

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 Family of Creation

composed and performed by Mike Hovancsek

Reading Choose to Bless the World

by Rev. Rebecca Parker

Reflection The Flame That Burns Within

Rev. Steven Protzman

Reflection Hymn #1024 When the Spirit Says Do

Discerning our Gifts

Sharing Our Gifts Vivien Sandlund

Returning

Offering The Difference, by Amanda Udis-Kessler

performed by Katie Grigg-Miller

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 #298 Wake Now, My Senses

Benediction



Activities & Events: January 8 – 15, 2023

https://kentuu.org/calendar/

Jan. 8 Sunday

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

Environmental Justice Meeting 11:00 AM

12:00 PM Euchre Card Group

Jan. 9 Monday

6:00 PM OWI

7:00 PM Spiritual Practices Class

Jan. 10 Tuesday

Jan. 11 Wednesday

10:00 AM Staff Meeting Jan. 12 Thursday

6:30 PM Ministry Executive Team

Jan. 13 Friday

Jan. 14 Saturday

8:00 AM Hobbs Hall Reserved

1:00 PM OWL Retreat

Jan. 15 Sunday

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

4:30 PM UUYJ

For more information, read the e-nUUs. kentuu.org/news/announcements-events/

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#1028 The Fire of Commitment

From the light of days remembered burns a beacon bright and clear Guiding hands and hearts and spirits into faith set free from fear

Refrain: When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul ablaze When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin.

From the stories of our living rings a song both brave and free Calling pilgrims still to witness to the life of liberty

Refrain

From the dreams of youthful vision comes a new, prophetic voice Which demands a deeper justice built by our courageous choice

Refrain

Go On Your Way in Peace

You've got the light of love inside you. Go on your way in peace. So, shine that light this whole world now awaits you Go on your way in peace. You know, we hold you. We hold you. Yes, we hold you. (Repeat)

#1024 When the Spirit Says Do

You got to do when the spirit says do! You got to do when the spirit says do! When the spirit says do, you got to do, oh Lord! You got to do when the spirit says do! Spirit says do! Spirit says do! Spirit says do! Spirit says do!

You got to sing...

You got to work...

You got to share...

You got to love...

You got to do...

#298 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.