

## Welcome Home

Order of Service

April 2, 2023

I long, as does every human being, to be at home wherever I find myself.

—Maya Angelou

## Gathering

Music for Gathering

Tabla improvisation
Daniel Kennedy

Welcome

Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude (video)

Who We Are, by Hal Walker The Golden Tones Choir

Chalice Lighting and Congregational Covenant

David Weaver Worship Associate

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

#1000 Morning Has Come

Time for All Ages

Unusual and Awesome Homes
Rev. Steven Protzman

Singing our Children, Caregivers, and Teachers to Their Classes Go On Your Way in Peace by Hal Walker

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. (2x)

You know we hold you. We hold you. Yes, we hold you.

### Reflecting

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 Coming Home

Frame drum solo, Daniel Kennedy

Reflection An Unexpected Home, David Weaver

Reflection A Chosen Home, Christie Anderson

Reflection Hymn #356 Will You Seek in Far-Off Places?, adapted

Reflection Creating a Spiritual Home, Henry Dudas

Reading At Home in the Universe, by Kenneth Patton

Reflection Welcome Home
Rev. Steven Protzman

### Returning

Offering Crowded Table

by Brandi Carlile, Natalie Hemby, and Lori McKenna, adapted performed by Katie Grigg-Miller with Maralee Ash

Welcome Home: An invitation to the 2023 Service Auction (video)

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, adapted

Benediction

Postlude Arabic Tambourine (riq) improvisation
Daniel Kennedy

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Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023 With a Song of Joy Led by Rev. Steven Protzman, DRE Colleen Thoele, and Worship Associate Heidi Sumser

## Activities & Events: April 2 - 9, 2023

https://kentuu.org/calendar kentuu.org/news/announcements-events

## April 2 Sunday

10:00 AM Sunday Worship 11:00 AM Social Hour

4:45 PM UUYJ Community Meal 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

April 3 Monday

6:00 PM OWL

April 4 Tuesday

10:00 AM Staff Meeting 12:00 PM Retiree's Gathering

7:00 PM Build Your Own Theology

April 5 Wednesday

11:30 AM Hobbs Hall Reserved 4:15 PM Race4Justice Team 6:00 PM Sacred Song Circle April 6 Thursday

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April 7 Friday

6:30 PM Middle School Hangout

April 8 Saturday

3:00 PM Concert & Cake

April 9 Sunday

8:45 AM Choir Rehearsal 10:00 AM Sunday Worship

11:00 AM Social Hour & Egg Hunt

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(yellow house) next to the church building

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## #1000 Morning Has Come

Morning has come, arise and greet the day! Dance with joy and sing a song of gladness! The light of hope here shines upon each face. May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

A new day dawns, once more the gift is giv'n. Wonder fills this moment shared together. The light of love here shines upon each face. May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

Open our eyes to see that life abounds; open hearts to welcome it among us. The light of peace here shines upon each face. May it bring faith to guide our journey home.

# Will You Seek in Far-Off Places? (set to Stuttgart)

Will you seek in far-off places? Surely you are home at last; in familiar forms and faces, where we seek life's very best.

Joy and peace are in this hour, here, not in another place. Here in this beloved building; now, in each beloved face.

# We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table adapted

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.

We're gonna sit at the Auction table.
We're gonna sit at the Auction table
In early May, hallelujah!
We're gonna sit at the Auction table,
gonna sit at the Auction table in early May.