



Hope for Earth Day



23 April 2023
Andrew Rome
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

Hope for Earth Day

Order of Service

April 23, 2023

Music for Gathering

Whoever You Are
words by the Jefferson Unitarian Church
Music by Katie Grigg-Miller

Welcome

Andrew Rome, Worship Leader

Territorial Acknowledgment

by Rev. Sean Neil-Barron, UU Minister

Chime

Choral Anthem *Canticle of Brother Sun*, from *Missa Gaia* (Earth Mass)
text from St. Francis of Assisi, the Book of Job and F.S. Pierpont
adapted by Paul Winter, music by Jim Scott and Paul Winter
The Okay Chorale; Vincent Swango, oboe;
Julie Swango, bass; Randy Bish and Christie Anderson, percussion

Call to Worship

Kevyn Breedon, Worship Associate

Chalice Lighting

Like the First Hint of Green
by Jennifer McGlothlin

As the first hint of green begins to peek through the barren ground
As that little sprig grows into a healthy stem
As that stem grows into a stalk and forms a bud
As that bud slowly opens with each new day
To form a yellow daffodil
Let us be, like that first hint of green,
renewed by the warm of the sun's rays
And ready to emerge with a new energy, ready to face the day.
We light this chalice to bring a glimmer of that warmth into our space.

Opening Hymn

#203 *All Creatures of the Earth and Sky*, vs. 1-4

Time For All Ages

We Are Water Protectors, by Carole Lindstrom
Kevyn Breedon

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.

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion

Response Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth
melody: *Adore te Devote* (13C plainsong)
words by Folliot S. Pierpont, arr. Jim Scott

*For the beauty of the earth, sing, oh sing today.
Of the sky and of our birth, sing, oh sing always.
Nature human and divine all around us lies.
Source of all, to thee we raise grateful hymns of praise.*

Reading

selections from *Hothouse Earth: An Inhabitant's Guide* and
The UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
2023 Synthesis Report
read by Children and Youth from the congregation

Reflection Hymn

#207 Earth Was Given as a Garden

Sermon

Hope for Earth Day
Andrew Rome

Offering

Open Your Heart
by Mary Grigolia, arr. Jim Scott
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 (insert)

Spirit, Make Us One
words by Kendyl Gibbons, music by Jason Shelton

Announcements

Benediction

Inspired by Our Ancestors
by Leia Durland-Jones

Postlude

Randy Bish, percussion



Sunday, April 30, 2023
A Community of Resistance
Led by Rev. Steven Protzman and Worship Associate CLM Kathy Kerns

Activities & Events: April 23 - 30, 2023

<https://kentuu.org/calendar>

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April 23 Sunday

8:45 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Sunday Worship
11:00 AM Annual Information Meeting

April 24 Monday

7:00 AM Rental: Kitchen Reserved
5:30 PM Campus Rentals Action Team
6:00 PM OWL

April 25 Tuesday

7:00 AM Rental: Kitchen Reserved
10:00 AM Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Build Your Own Theology

April 26 Wednesday

7:00 AM Rental: Kitchen Reserved
7:00 PM Board of Trustees

April 27 Thursday

6:30 PM Ministry Executive Team

April 28 Friday

5:00 PM Rental: Hobbs Hall

April 29 Saturday

9:00 AM Workshop: Speak Up to Racist Comments
1:00 PM Church Building Clean-up

April 30 Sunday

10:00 AM Sunday Worship
11:00 AM UUYJ
11:00 AM Pancake Breakfast
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

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#203 All Creatures of the Earth and Sky (vs. 1-4)

All creatures of the earth and sky,
come, kindred, lift your voices high,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden beam,
soft shining moon with silver gleam:

Chorus: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Swift rushing wind so wild and strong,
white clouds that sail in heav'n along,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Fair rising morn in praise rejoice,
high stars of evening find a voice:

Chorus

Cool flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for all life to hear,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Dance, flame of fire, so strong and bright,
and bless us with your warmth and light:

Chorus

Embracing earth, you, day by day,
bring forth your blessings on our way,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
All herbs and fruits that richly grow,
let them the glory also show:

Chorus

#207 Earth Was Given as a Garden

Earth was given as a garden, cradle for humanity;
tree of life and tree of knowledge placed for our discovery.
Here was home for all your creatures born of land and sky and sea;
all created in your image, all to live in harmony.

Show to us again the garden where all life flows fresh and free.
Gently guide your sons and daughters into full maturity.
Teach us how to trust each other, how to use for good our power,
how to touch the earth with rev'rence. Then once more will Eden flower.

Bless the earth and all your children, one creation: make us whole,
interwoven, all connected, planet wide and inmost soul.
Holy mother, life bestowing, bid our waste and warfare cease.
Fill us all with grace o'erflowing. Teach us how to live in peace.

Spirit, Make Us One

words by Kendyl Gibbons, music by Jason Shelton

We proclaim a saving message, as in times of old;
Hist'ry, give us courage; make us bold.
There is healing, there is hope for ev'ry hurting soul;
Spirit, give us comfort; make us whole.
Make us bold, make us bold
Hist'ry, give us courage; make us bold.
Make us whole, make us whole
Spirit, give us comfort; make us whole.

Earth, receive our heart's thanksgiving, under prairie skies;
Nature, bless our yearning; make us wise.
We are here for one another, in good times and bad;
Spirit, give us laughter; make us glad.
Make us wise, make us wise
Nature, bless our yearning; make us wise.
Make us glad, make us whole
Spirit, give us laughter, make us glad.

Still let justice be the saving struggle we pursue;
Conscience, give us honor; make us true.
We bear witness to the promised future now begun;
Spirit, bless our journey; make us one.
Make us true, make us true
Conscience, give us honor; make us true.
Make us one, make us one
Spirit, bless our journey; make us one.