

Faithfully Becoming: But What Exactly?



August 13 2023
Rev. Steven Protzman
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

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Order of Service

August 13, 2023

As Unitarian Universalists, we covenant, congregation-to-congregation and through our association, to support and assist one another in our ministries. We draw from our heritages of freedom, reason, hope, and courage, building on the foundation of love. Love is the power that holds us together and is at the center of our shared values.

—From Proposed Article II

Gathering

Music for Gathering

Welcome

Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude

We Shall Be Known
by Karisha Longaker
Katie Grigg-Miller and Emily Hall, vocals

Chalice Lighting

Congregational Covenant
Elaine Bowen, 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

#347 Gather the Spirit

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

Vocalise-étude, by Gabriel Fauré
Vanessa Vesely, piano; Emily Hall, vocals

Reflection Elaine Bowen

Reflection Hymn *Ours is a Simple Faith*
by David Tamulevich

Reading an excerpt from *Mental Fight*
by Ben Okri

Reflection *Faithfully Becoming: But What Exactly?*
Rev. Steven Protzman

Returning

Offering *Still I Will Love*
by Shaina Taub
Vanessa Vesely, piano; Randy Bish, cajon;
Emily Hall, vocals with the UU Impromptu Singers

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) *Life Calls Us On*
music by Jason Shelton; words Kendyl Gibbons

Benediction

Dedication of the Solar Panels

Song (insert) *Here Comes the Sun*
by the Beatles



Sunday, August 20, 2023
Roll for Initiative: Confessions of the Dungeon Master
Led by Saul Flanner with Kathy and Kailani Walker

Activities & Events: August 13 - 20, 2023

<https://kentuu.org/calendar>

kentuu.org/news/announcements-events

Aug. 13 Sunday

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

Aug. 17 Thursday

6:00 PM Hobbs Hall Reserved
7:00 PM Thursday Covenant Group

Aug. 14 Monday

Church Office Closed

Aug. 18 Friday

6:00 PM All Church Potluck

Aug. 15 Tuesday

6:30 PM Committee on Shared Ministry

Aug. 19 Saturday

Aug. 20 Sunday

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

Aug. 16 Wednesday

1:00 PM Staff Meeting
1:45 PM Hobbs Hall Reserved
4:00 PM Finance Committee
4:30 PM Knitting, Crochet, Needle Point

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Visit our website.



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Gather the Spirit

Gather the spirit, harvest the power.
Our sep'rate fires will kindle one flame.
Witness the mystery of this hour.
Our trials in this light appear all the same.

Refrain: Gather in peace, gather in thanks.
Gather in sympathy now and then.
Gather in hope, compassion and strength.
Gather to celebrate once again,

Gather the spirit of heart and mind.
Seeds for the sowing are laid in store.
Nurtured in love, and conscience refined,
with body and spirit united once more.

Refrain

Gather the spirit growing in all,
drawn by the moon and fed by the sun.
Winter to spring, and summer to fall,
the chorus of life resounding as one.

Refrain

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

Life Calls Us On

music by Jason Shelton, words by Kendyl Gibbons

Here in rev'ence now we gather
For the blessings we have known,
With a pledge to one another
That we journey not alone.
Joy and sorrow make us wise,
Kin to all that lives and dies;
Love calls us on, Love calls us on.

Words and deeds of those before us
Waken here to keep us strong;
Blend our voices in the chorus
Of creation's living song.
Courage bids us lift our eyes
Upward to the shining skies;
Hope calls us on; Hope calls us on.

Loyal guides in love and duty
Lead us with a trusted light;
Blest are they whose inward beauty
Shows the path of truth and right.
Honor is their earthly prize;
By their work we realize;
Faith calls us on; Faith calls us on.

We have shared a radiant hour
When the truth has made us free;
And the spirit's gracious power
Dreamed of good that yet shall be.
Bright the path before us lies
Joyful pilgrims now we rise;
Life calls us on; Life calls us on!

Here Comes the Sun

Here comes the sun, doo-doo-doo-doo
Here comes the sun, and I say
It's alright

Little darlin', it's been a long, cold, lonely winter
Little darlin', it feels like years since it's been here
Here comes the sun, doo-doo-doo-doo
Here comes the sun, and I say
It's alright

Little darlin', the smile's returning to their faces
Little darlin', it seems like years since it's been here
Here comes the sun
Here comes the sun, and I say
It's alright

Sun, sun, sun, here it comes
Sun, sun, sun, here it comes
Sun, sun, sun, here it comes
Sun, sun, sun, here it comes
Sun, sun, sun, here it comes

Little darlin', I feel that ice is slowly melting
Little darlin', it seems like years since it's been clear
Here comes the sun, doo-doo-doo-doo
Here comes the sun, and I say
It's alright

Here comes the sun, doo-doo-doo-doo
Here comes the sun
It's alright
It's alright