3 September 2023 Rev. Steven Protzman Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent







Guest House

Order of Service

September 3, 2023

This being human is a guest house Every morning a new arrival. Welcome and entertain them all! Be grateful for whoever comes, because each has been sent as a guide from beyond.

—Rumi

Gathering

Music for Gathering

Welcome

Rev. Steven Protzman, Minister

Chime

Prelude

The Guesthouse by Ayla Schafer Kevyn Breedon, cedar flute; Mike Hovancsek,guitar; and Emily Hall, vocals and guitar

Opening Words

Invocation by Angela Herrera Kathy Kerns, Worship Associate

Congregational Covenant

Chalice Lighting

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

#128 For All That is Our Life

Reflecting

Reading

Guest House by Rumi

This Being Human Rev. Steven Protzman

Reflection

Reflection Hymn

A Time of Silence

Sharing our Sorrows, Losses, Struggles and Grief

A Ritual of Letting Our Burdens Go

You are welcome to come and place a stone in the bowl as a symbol of letting go of a burden

> *Let It Go*, by Gaelynn Lea Julie Swango, violin; Emily Hall, vocals

Sharing our Joys, Hopes, and Dreams

Prayer

We Give Thanks by Paul H. L'Herrou

Returning

Offering

Enough by Aisha Badru Emily Hall, vocals

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

#201 Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!

Benediction

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Sunday, September 10, 2023

To Build the Common Good Led by Rev. Steven Protzman and Worship Associate David Weaver

Activities & Events: Sept. 3 - 10, 2023

https://kentuu.org/calendar

kentuu.org/news/announcements-events

Sept. 3 Sunday

10:00 AM Worship Social Hour 11:00 AM 12:00 PM CART 4.45 PM Community Meal

Sept. 4 Monday

Church Office Closed

Sept. 5 Tuesday

| 12:00 PM | Retirees Gathering |
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| 1:00 PM | Staff Meeting |
| 6:00 PM | RE Teacher Ingathering |

Sept. 6 Wednesday

| 9:00 AM | Membership Team |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| 12:00 PM | Rental – Hobbs Hall Reserved |
| 4:30 PM | Knitting, Crochet, Needle Point |
| 6:00 PM | Sacred Song Circle |

Sept. 7 Thursday

6:30 PM Minitry Executive Team 7:00 PM Hobbs Hall A/V set up

Sept. 8 Friday

7:30 PM Concert: Emma's Revolution

Sept. 9 Saturday

12:00 PM Membership Team

Sept. 10 Sunday

10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Social Hour

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Church Office: The church office is located in the Eldredge Annex (vellow house) next to the church building

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#128 For All That Is Our Life

For all that is our life we sing our thanks and praise; for all life is a gift which we are called to use To build the common good and make our own days glad.

For needs which others serve, for services we give, for work and its rewards, for hours of rest and love; we come with praise and thanks for all that is our life.

For sorrow we must bear, for failures, pain, and loss, for each new thing we learn, for fearful hours that pass: we come with praise and thanks for all that is our life.

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#1012 When I Am Frightened

When I am frightened, will you reassure me? When I'm uncertain, will you hold my hand? Will you be strong for me? sing to me quietly? Will you share some of your stories with me? If you will show me compassion, then I may learn to care as you do, then I may learn to care.

When I am angry, will you still embrace me? When I am thoughtless, will you understand? Will you believe in me, stand by me willingly? Will you share some of your questions with me? If you will show me acceptance, then I may learn to give as you do, then I may learn to give. When I am troubled, will you listen to me? When I am lonely, will you be my friend? Will you be there for me, comfort me tenderly? Will you share some of your feelings with me? If you will show me commitment, then I may learn to love as you do, then I may learn to love.

#201 Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!

Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burden down. Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burden down.

Feel like shouting, "Hallelujah!" Since I laid my burden down. Feel like shouting, "Hallelujah!" Since I laid my burden down.

Life is sweeter, so much sweeter Since I laid my burden down. Life is sweeter, so much sweeter Since I laid my burden down.

Feel like dancing, "Hallelujah!" Since I laid my burden down. Feel like dancing, "Hallelujah!" Since I laid my burden down.

Love is shining all around me, Since I laid my burden down. Love is shining all around me, Since I laid my burden down.