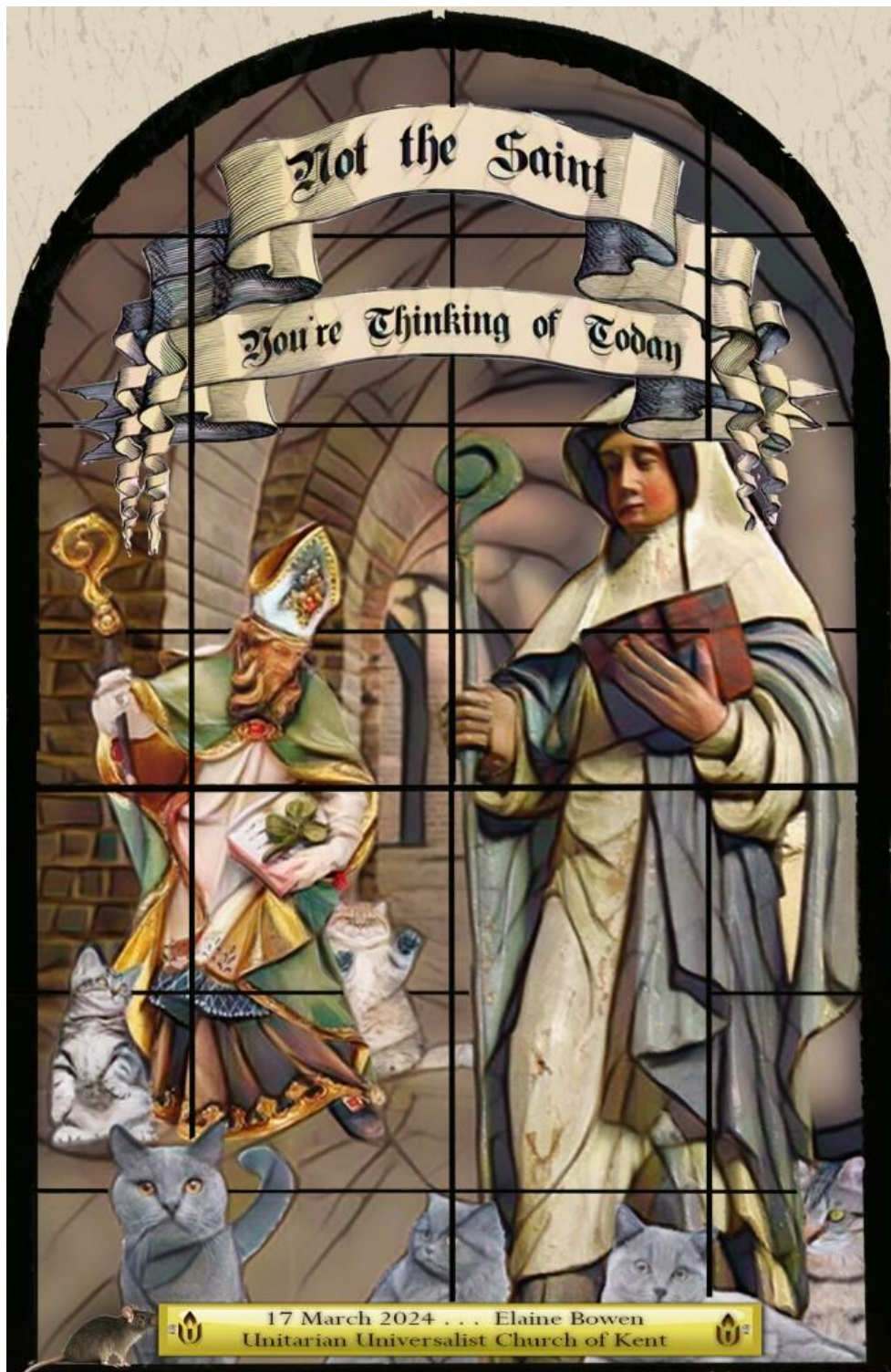


Not the Saint

You're Thinking of Today



17 March 2024 . . . Elaine Bowen
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

Not the Saint You Were Thinking of Today

Order of Service:

March 17, 2024, 11:00 AM

“The nobility of a person’s soul can be quickly measured by how they treat cats.”

~ Immanuel Kant

Gathering

Music for Gathering

Christie Anderson, accordion
Brad Bolton, guitar; Emily Hall, flute

Welcome

Heidi Sumser, Worship Associate

Chime

Prelude

My Lord, What a Morning
African American spiritual, arr. Vicki Smith
The UUCK Tone Chimers

Chalice Lighting

Little Flame
by Kathryn Estey
Elaine Bowen, Service Leader

Opening Hymn

#61 Lo, the Earth Awakes Again

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

Christie Anderson, Brad Bolton, and Emily Hal

Reading

St. Gertrude of Nivelles: a biographical sketch
written by Elaine Bowen
presented by Heidi Sumser

Reflection Hymn

#298 Wake Now, My Senses

Reading

The Cat's Song
by Marge Piercy
Heidi Sumser

Homily

Not St. Patrick's Day
Elaine Bowen

Returning

Offering

March's special offering is for the
Portage Animal Protective League

Offertory

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

#29 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Benediction

Be True, Be Well, Be Loving
by Cynthia Landrum
Elaine Bowen



Next Sunday, March 24, 2024

9:15 AM All-ages Worship: Each a Beloved Part
Led by DRE Colleen Thoele and
Affiliated Community Minister Rev. Renee Ruchotzke

10:00 AM Lifespan Religious Exploration
and Community Café (aka Social Hour) in Hobbs Hall

11:00 AM Traditional Worship: Who Are We Now?
Led by Rev. Elaine Strawn and Worship Associate CLM Kathy Kerns

Activities & Events: Mar. 17 - 24, 2024<https://kentuu.org/calendar>kentuu.org/news/announcements-events

Mar. 17 Sunday

9:15 AM All-Ages Worship
10:00 AM Small Groups & Social Hour
11:00 AM Worship – Traditional service

Mar. 18 Monday

7:00 PM Brass Quintet Rehearsal

Mar. 19 Tuesday

6:00 PM Tone Chimes Rehearsal
6:30 PM Committee on Shared Ministry

Mar. 20 Wednesday

2:00 PM Staff Meeting
4:30 PM Knitting & Crochet Group
4:30 PM Hobbs Hall Reserved (LWV)
6:00 PM Peace Chorus

Mar. 21 Thursday

1:00 PM Hobbs Hall Reserved
6:45 PM Board of Trustees
7:00 PM Thursday Covenant Group
7:00 PM Sacred Song Circle

Mar. 22 Friday

8:00 AM Rental: Hobbs Hall Kitchen
4:00 PM Fessenden Hall Reserved
7:00 PM Drum Circle

Mar. 23 Saturday

8:00 AM Rental: Hobbs Hall Reserved

Mar. 24 Sunday

9:15 AM All-Ages Worship
10:00 AM Small Groups & Social Hour
11:00 AM Worship – Traditional service
4:00 PM Rental: Sanctuary Reserved

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#61 *Lo, the Earth Awakes Again*

Lo, the earth awakes again — Alleluia!
From the winter's bond and pain.
Alleluia! Bring we leaf and flower and spray — Alleluia!
to adorn this happy day. Alleluia!

Once again the word comes true,
Alleluia! All the earth shall be made new. Alleluia!
Now the dark, cold days are o'er, Alleluia!
Spring and gladness are before. Alleluia!

Change, then, mourning into praise, Alleluia!
And, for dirges, anthems raise. Alleluia!
How our spirits soar and sing, Alleluia!
How our hearts leap with the spring! Alleluia!

#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.

#29 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, God of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee, hail thee as the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the pain of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the joy of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
stars and planets sing around thee, center of unbroken praise;
field and forest, vale and mountain, blossoming meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest;
wellspring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest.
Ever singing march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music lifts us sunward in the triumph song of life.