

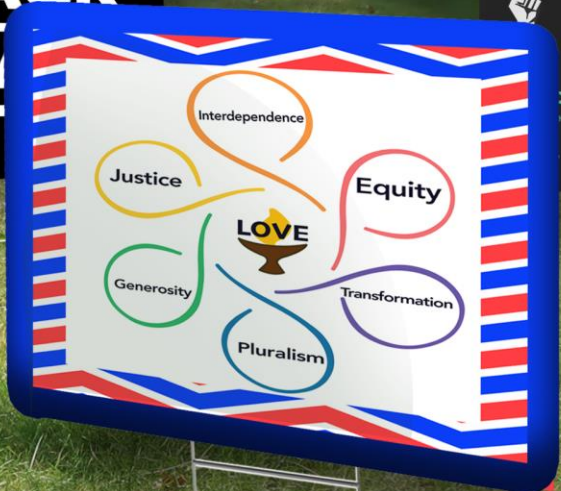
LOVE AT THE CENTER

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IN THIS HOUSE
WE BELIEVE



LOVE IS LOVE
FEMINISM IS FOR EVERYONE
NO ONE IS ILLEGAL
TREAT PEOPLE WITH KINDNESS
NO HOME HERE.



7 APRIL 2024
REV. RENEE RUCHOTZKE
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
CHURCH OF KENT

Love at the Center

Order of Service:

April 7, 2024, 11:00 AM

“We live in capitalism. Its power seems inescapable. So did the divine right of kings. Any human power can be resisted and changed by human beings. Resistance and change often begin in art, and very often in our art, the art of words.”

— Ursula K. Le Guin

Gathering

Music for Gathering

Welcome

Randy Bish, Worship Associate

Chime

Call to Worship

Rev. Renee Ruchotzke
Affiliated Community Minister

Prelude

White Man's World
by Jason Isbell

Chalice Lighting

Grace Meets Us Where We Are
by Gretchen Haley

Opening Hymn

#131 Love Will Guide Us

Reflecting

Centering and Silence

Holding One Another in Love and Compassion

Ritual of Release

The Honoring Song
by Mallory Heartsong

*You are invited to come forward and choose a stone or other object
to drop into the communal bowl of joys and sorrows.*

Story

Braver Angels
Randy Bish

Reflection Hymn

#1023 Building Bridges

Sermon

Love At The Center
Rev. Renee Ruchotzke

Returning

Offering

April's Special collection supports the Indigenous Environmental Network.

Offering Music

Imagine, by John Lennon
performed by Bryce Wilson; Vanessa Vesely, piano

Extinguishing the Chalice

#456 by Elizabeth Selle Jones

We extinguish this flame, but not the light of truth, the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment. These we carry in our hearts until we are together again.

Closing Hymn

It's Only All Together We Go
by Pat DeSimio

Benediction:

The Divine Right of Kings
by Ursula LeGuin

Sermon Bibliography:

- <https://www.uua.org/uuagovernance/committees/article-ii-study-commission>
- Homo Sovieticus, 2021 documentary
- Bloodlands: Europe Between Hitler and Stalin by Timothy Snyder (2010)
- The Psychology of Nationalism by Joshua Searle-White (2001)

The Article II Shared Values Flower Image was created in love by UU artist Tanya Webster, chalicedays.org



Next Sunday, April 14, 2024

9:15 AM All-ages Worship:

*Led by Director of Religious Education Colleen Thoele,
Affiliated Minister Rev. Renee Ruchotzke and
UUA Congregational Life Staff Rev. Sunshine Wolfe*

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

11:00 AM Traditional Worship:

*Led by UUA Congregational Life Staff Rev. Sunshine Wolfe
and Worship Associate CLM Lori Mirkin-McGee*

Activities & Events: Mar. April 7 - 14, 2024

<https://kentuu.org/calendar>

kentuu.org/news/announcements-events

April 7 Sunday		Apr. 9 Tuesday		Apr. 11 Thursday
9:15 AM All-Ages Worship		5:30 PM Annex Reserved		6:30 PM Ministry Executive Team
10:00 AM Small Groups & Social Hour		6:00 PM Rental: Fessenden Hall		7:00 PM Sacred Song Circle
11:00 AM Worship – Traditional service		6:00 PM Tone Chimes Rehearsal		Apr. 12 Friday
12:15 PM Annex Reserved		7:00 PM RE Committee		8:00 AM Rental: Hobbs Hall Kitchen
4:45 PM Community Meal		7:15 PM Community Sing		9:30 AM Hobbs Hall Reserved
5:15 PM Fessenden Hall Reserved		Apr. 10 Wednesday		Apr. 13 Saturday
Apr. 8 Monday		12:30 PM Hobbs Hall Reserved		5:00 PM Rental: Hobbs Hall
		1:00 PM Staff Meeting		Apr. 14 Sunday
		4:30 PM Knitting & Crochet Group		9:15 AM All-Ages Worship
		6:00 PM Peace Chorus		10:00 AM Small Groups & Social Hour
		6:30 PM Board of Trustees		11:00 AM Worship – Traditional service
				12:00 PM Shared Ministries Council

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Visit our website.



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#131 Love Will Guide Us

Love will guide us, peace has tried us,
hope inside us will lead the way
on the road from greed to giving.
Love will guide us through the hard night.

If you cannot sing like angels,
if you cannot speak before thousands,
you can give from deep within you.
You can change the world with your love.

Love will guide us, peace has tried us,
hope inside us will lead the way
on the road from greed to giving.
Love will guide us through the hard night.

#1023 Building Bridges

Building Bridges between our divisions,
I reach out to you, will you reach out to me?
With all of our voices and all of our visions,
friends, we could make such sweet harmony.

***It's Only All Together We Go*, by Pat DeSimio**

We could surely use some saintly savior
Who could fix things single-handedly.
But we do have us, so don't wait up.
Even King marched with how many feet?

Chorus: Down the long, long road, we're up and goin'.
Can't you feel the wheels a-rollin'?
And there ain't no paradise you get to alone;
It's only all together we go.

And there is no justice just for some,
So the work's not done while a bit remains.
And when justice rolls down like waters,
There will be no river banks!

Chorus

And we know though only love can save us,
Grace and mercy play their parts
When the lines dividing good from evil
Run through ev'ry human heart.

Chorus

We remember all the ones before us,
Who have borne us far along this way.
And we'll do our parts in this great journey
Toward the world we'll make one day.

Chorus (x2)



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