



# *The Relevance of Reverence*



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Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

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Order of Service

August 11, 2024

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“There is a little plant called reverence in the corner of my soul’s garden  
which I love to have watered once a week.”

~ Oliver Wendall Holmes, Jr.

## **Gathering**

Music for Gathering	Katie Grigg-Miller
Welcome	Heidi Sumser, Worship Associate
Chime	
Prelude	Raylynn Rome, Native American flute
Chalice Lighting	<i>Opening to the Light</i> by SarahRuth Wekoye Davis Heidi Sumser
Intro: Reverence 101	Elaine Bowen, Service Leader
Opening Hymn	<i>#21 For the Beauty of the Earth</i> Katie Grigg-Miller, hymn leader

## **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	<i>Morning Has Broken</i> , Gaelic melody Vanessa Vesely, piano
Readings	<i>Lake Erie Shore</i> , by Trish McLoughlin  <i>Lucky Stone</i> , by Trish McLoughlin  <i>Peak Experience</i> , by Elaine Bowen

Responsive Hymn	#112 <i>Do You Hear?</i>
Reading	<i>Broken Sky</i> , by Heidi Sumser
Musical Interlude:	<i>The Song in Your Heart</i> by Jason Shelton Katie Grigg-Miller, vocals Vanessa Vesely, piano
Homily	<i>Inarticulate Awe</i> Elaine Bowen

### Returning

#### Offering

Our August special collection supports The Nature Conservancy, an organization that works to advance effective, lasting conservation in more than 70 countries and territories.

#### Offertory

*For Flowers that Bloom About Our Feet*  
lyrics anonymous; music by Severus Gastorius  
Katie Grigg-Miller, vocals; Vanessa Vesely, piano

#### 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

#30 *Over My Head*

#### Benediction

*Holding Reverence*  
by the UUCK congregation

*Cover photo taken by John Brannan.*



*Next Sunday: August 18, 2024  
10:00 AM in Hobbs Hall*

*On Both the Right and Wrong Side of History  
Led by Rev. Renee Ruchotzke and Worship Associate Heidi Shaffer Bish*

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## Activities & Events: Aug. 11 - 18, 2024

<https://kentuu.org/calendar>

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### Aug. 11 Sunday

10:00 AM Worship  
11:00 AM Social Hour

### Aug. 12 Monday

6:30 AM Rental: Hobbs Hall Kitchen

### Aug. 13 Tuesday

6:30 AM Rental: Hobbs Hall Kitchen  
1:00 PM Staff Meeting  
2:00 PM Rental: Fessenden Hall  
6:30 PM Ministry Executive Team

### Aug. 14 Wednesday

1:30 PM Hobbs Hall Reserved  
4:30 PM Knitting & Crochet Group  
6:30 PM OWL

### Aug. 15 Thursday

6:45 PM Board of Trustees  
7:00 PM Thursday Covenant Group

### Aug. 16 Friday

8:00 AM Rental: Hobbs Hall Kitchen  
|4:00 PM Finance Committee

### Aug. 17 Saturday

### Aug. 18 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  
(yellow house) next to the church building

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## **#21 For the Beauty of the Earth**

For the beauty of the earth, for the splendor of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:  
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,  
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight:  
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light:  
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human care, sister, brother, parent, child,  
for the kinship we all share, for all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Source of all, to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

## **#112 Do You Hear?**

Do you hear, oh my friend, in the place where you stand,  
through the sky, through the land, do you hear, do you hear?  
In the heights, on the plain, in the vale, on the main,  
in the sun, in the rain, do you hear, do you hear?

Through the roar, through the rush, through the throng,  
through the crush, do you hear in the hush of your soul, of your soul?  
Hear the cry fear won't still, hear the heart's call to will,  
hear a sigh's startling trill in your soul, in your soul?

From the place where you stand to the outermost strand,  
do you hear, oh my friend, do you hear, do you hear?  
All the dreams, all the dares, all the sighs, all the prayers —  
they are yours, mine, and theirs — do you hear, do you hear?

## **#30 Over My Head**

Over my head I hear music in the air.  
Over my head I hear music in the air.  
Over my head I hear music in the air.  
There must be a God somewhere.

Over my head I hear singing in the air...

Over my head I see trouble in the air...

Over my head I feel gladness in the air ...

Over my head I see angels in the air ...