

# *How Anti-Woke Became an Epithet*



1 March 2026  
Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

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Order of Service

March 1, 2026, 11:00 AM

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## **Gathering**

Music for Gathering	Don Gregg, violin Vanessa Vesely, piano
Welcome	Rev. Renee Ruchotzke, Affiliated Minister
Chime	
Prelude	<i>Show Me Love</i> by Nicole Miglis, Zach Tetreault, and Trayer Tryon (of Hundred Waters) performed by the Kent UU Peace Chorus Vanessa Vesely, Piano
Call to Worship	Chris Hook, Worship Co-Leader
Chalice Lighting	Rev. Renee
Opening Hymn	<i>Spirit of Life</i> by Carolyn McDade; arr. Cliff Hardin led by the Kent UU Peace Chorus Vanessa Vesely, piano
Time for All Ages	Kate Starks, Worship Co-Leader

## **Reflecting**

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion	Rev. Renee
<i>A time of silence, sharing our sorrows and losses, pastoral prayer, and sharing our joys, wonder and awe</i>	
Poem	<i>What I Will</i> written by Suheir Hammad read by Kate Starks
Reading	Chris Hook

Musical Response

*UU Blues*  
written by Mike Hovancek  
and performed with Katie Hovancek

Sermon

*How Anti-Woke Became an Epithet*  
Kate Starks

## Returning

Offering

*The Salvation Song*  
written by The Avett Brothers  
performed by Benjie Hook, guitar; Chris Hook, mandolin;  
Emily Hall, Kate Starks, and Tiera Guerena, vocals

Extinguishing the Chalice

Rev. Renee

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 Song

*Wake up Everybody*  
written by John Whitehead, Gene McFadden,  
and Victor Carstarphen

Benediction

Chris Hook



*Next Sunday, March 8, 2026*  
*The Women that Christianity Forgot*  
*Led by Katie Grigg-Miller with Worship Associate Rev. Kristina Church*

*9:15 AM Service in the Church Sanctuary*  
*10 AM Children's Religious Education and Adult Small Reflection Groups*  
*11:00 AM Service in Hobbs Hall*

# Today, March 1

## Calendar

- Sunday, March 1
  - 9:15 & 11:00 AM Service - There Is a Love Holding Us
  - 10:00 AM - Children's RE and Adult Small Discussion Groups
  - 12:00 PM - Social Hour
  - 12:30 PM - Grandma Becky's Creation Station
  - 5:00 PM - UUYJ Community Meal
- Monday, March 2
  - 6:30 PM - Fostering Community: Skill Up for Leaders
- Tuesday, March 3
  - 10:00 AM - Midweek Midrash
  - 6:00 PM - Tone Chime Rehearsal
  - 6:30 PM - Ministry Executive Team (Zoom)
- Wednesday, March 4
  - 4:30 PM - Knitting & Crochet Group
  - 6:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal
  - 6:30 PM - Pastoral Care Team
- Thursday, March 5
  - 6:30 PM - Adult RE: Rejected Text, Lost Gospels
  - 6:50 PM - Board of Trustees
- Friday, March 6
  - 6:00 PM - Long Strange Trip: UU History Film Series
- Saturday, March 7
  - 4:00 PM - Drum Circle

**What's Happening:** see [kentuu.org/posts/](http://kentuu.org/posts/) for details



**Sunday, March 8, 2026**

**The Women that Christianity Forgot**

9:15 AM & 11 AM Worship

10:00 AM Children's RE & Adult Reflection Circles

12:00 PM Social Hour



**Sunday, March 8, 2026**

**A New Big Thing! Church Visioning Session**

12:30 PM in Hobbs Hall

All are encouraged to participate.



**Saturday, March 14, 2026**

**The Year to Save the Earth Concert**

with UU folk legend Jim Scott

7 PM in the Sanctuary - Suggested donation \$20



## **#123 Spirit of Life**

Spirit of Life, come unto me.  
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.  
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;  
move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.  
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;  
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

### ***Wake up Everybody***

by John Whitehead, Gene McFadden, and Victor Carstarphen

Wake up, everybody, no more sleeping in bed  
No more backward thinking, time for thinking ahead  
The world has changed so very much from what it used to be  
There's so much hatred, war, and poverty, oh

Wake up, all the teachers, time to teach a new way  
Maybe then they'll listen to whatcha have to say  
Cause they're the ones who's coming up, and the world is in their hands  
When you teach the children, teach 'em the very best you can

The world won't get no better  
If we just let it be  
The world won't get no better  
We gotta change it, yeah, just you and me

Wake up, everybody, no more sleeping in bed  
No more backward thinking, time for thinking ahead  
The world has changed so very much from what it used to be  
There's so much hatred, war, and poverty, oh

Wake up, all the builders, time to build a new land  
I know we can do it if we all lend a hand  
The only thing we have to do is put it in our minds  
Surely things will work out, they do it every time

The world won't get no better  
If we just let it be  
The world won't get no better  
We gotta change it, yeah, just you and me