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12 July 2026

Unitarian Universalist Church of Kent

Feel Something, Make Something

Order of Service

July 12, 2026, 11:00 AM

Exploring how we turn to art and one another when we are overwhelmed by the state of the world. Together, we'll look at how the creative process helps us release tension from our bodies, and express deep truths that words often fail to capture. We will also draw inspiration from the powerful ways people use creativity to find their roles in the community and impact the world around them.

Gathering

Music for Gathering

Welcome and Chime

Rev. Renée Ruchotzke, Affiliated Minister

Prelude

Bright Morning Stars, Traditional, arr.
Susan Herrera, Kate Starks, and Emily Hall, vocals

Opening Words

Kate Starks, Worship Co-Leader

Chalice Lighting

Susan Herrera, Worship Co-Leader

Opening Hymn & Slideshow

**We Rise*
by Batva Levine

Reading

Malachi Stevens, Worship Co-Leader

A Time for All Ages

Kate Starks

Reflecting

Holding One Another in Care and Compassion

Rev. Renée

*A time of silence, sharing our sorrows and losses,
pastoral prayer, and sharing our joys, wonder and awe*

Music Meditation

**Loosen*
by Aly Halpert

Reading	Susan Herrera
Sermon: Part 1	Malachi Stevens
Sermon Response	<i>When We Sing</i> by Olivia Fern
Sermon: Part 2	Susan Herrera
Sermon: Part 3	Kate Starks

Returning

Offering	Rev. Renée
Offertory	<i>You're It</i> written by Mark Murphy of Wookiefoot performed by Kate Starks and Chris Hook
Extinguishing the Chalice	
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	<i>*Bright Morning Stars</i> , Traditional arr. Matt Meyer
Benediction	Malachi Stevens

*from the UU virtual hymnal, *Sing Out Love*



Summer service schedule: one service at 11:00 AM in Hobbs Hall.

Next Sunday, July 19, 2026
O Frabjous Day! Nurturing the Spirit of Play, Inviting the Gift of Joy
Led by Rev. Kristina Church

Today, July 12

<https://kentuu.org/news/calendar/>

- Sunday, July 12
 - 10:00 AM - Adult Reflection Circles
 - 11:00 AM - Worship: Feel Something, Make Something
 - 12:00 PM - Social Hour
- Wednesday, July 15
 - 4:30 PM - Knitting, Crochet, and Needle Point
- Thursday, July 16
 - 5:30 PM - Membership Committee
 - 6:50 PM - Board of Trustees
 - 7:00 PM - Thursday Covenant Group
- Saturday, July 18
 - 12:00 PM - Kids on Bikes RPG Gaming Group
- Sunday, July 19
 - 10:00 AM - Adult Reflection Circles
 - 11:00 AM - Worship: The Power of Shared Ministry
 - 12:00 PM - Social Hour
 - 12:30 PM - Worship Arts Team

What's Happening? see kentuu.org/posts/ for details



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Meals for Viv

UU Church of Kent member, Viv Sandlund, is in need of "meals support" from our community of helping hearts. Sign-up here: <https://tinyurl.com/53thzyrh> Thank you!



August 1 Ed Krimmer Celebration of Life Hobbs Hall, 1:00 PM

A RSVP is request if attending – follow the QR Code for more information and link to to respond.



***We Rise**, by Batya Levine

We rise, humbly-hearted.
Rise, won't be divided.
Rise, with spirit to guide us.
Rise.

In hope, in prayer, we find ourselves here.
In hope, in prayer, we're right here.
In hope, in prayer, we find ourselves here.
In hope, in prayer, we're right here.

And we rise, all of the children.
Rise, elders with wisdom.
Rise, ancestors surround us.
Rise.

In hope, in prayer, we find ourselves here.
In hope, in prayer, we're right here.
In hope, in prayer, we find ourselves here.
In hope, in prayer, we're right here.

And we rise up from the wreckage.
Rise, with tears and with courage.
Rise, fighting for life.
We rise.

In hope, in prayer, we find ourselves here.
In hope, in prayer, we're right here.
In hope, in prayer, we find ourselves here.
In hope, in prayer, we're right here.

We rise, humbly-hearted.
Rise, won't be divided.
Rise, with spirit to guide us.
Rise.

***Loosen**, by Aly Halpert

Part 1: Loosen, loosen, baby.
You don't have to carry
the weight of the world
in your muscles and bones.
Let go, let go, let go.

Part 2: Holy breath and holy name:
Will you ease, will you ease this pain?

When We Sing, by Olivia Fern

When we sing, we are remembering
All the power and the beauty and the wisdom that's within
When we sing, we are calling in
All the power and the beauty and the wisdom that's within

*** *Bright Morning Stars***, Traditional, arr. Matt Meyer

Bright morning stars a risin',
bright morning stars a risin',
bright morning stars a risin',
Day is a breakin' in my soul.

Rise up from morning slumber,
rise up from morning slumber,
rise up from morning slumber,
Day is a breakin' in my soul.

Rise up and hear your calling,
rise up and hear your calling,
rise up and hear your calling,
Day is a breakin' in my soul.

Oh, lift your voice to heaven,
oh, lift your voice to heaven,
oh lift your voice to heaven,
Day is a breakin' in my soul.

We'll build this world together,
we'll build this world together,
we'll build this world together,
Day is a breakin' in my soul.