



Better Together: A Collaborative Metro STL Service
Rev. Dr. Claudia Hall, Rev. Kim Mason, Sharon Swanson, and Rev. Krista Taves
April 14th, 2024
Order of Service

Ringing of the Bowl Rev. Kim Mason

Prelude *Prelude on Slane*, by Paul Manz Earl Naylor, organ

Welcome Rev. Krista Taves

Call to Worship Rev. Kim Mason

Chalice Lighting Rev. Claudia Hall

Hymn #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.*

Story For All Ages *"We Are Better Together"* by Bill McKibben Lauren Williams

Children's Recessional #118 This Little Light of Mine

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

Intro to Joys and Concerns

Rev. Krista Tave

Prayer

Rev. Kim Mason

Response: *Be still and listen*

Special Music

Be still, Look up and Listen
by Mark Patterson

Eliot Unitarian Chapel Choir
Director, Naddia Maddox

Call for the Offering

Rev. Claudia Hall

Use the Online Giving QR Code on your pew QR codes card to make an online offering

Offertory

David Nalesnek, piano

Sermon

Mutually Beneficial Cooperation

Rev. Claudia Hall
Rev. Krista Taves
Rev. Kim Mason

Closing Hymn - Hymn #1020 Woyaya

*We are going,
heaven knows where we are going,
but we know within.*

*And we will get there,
heaven knows how we will get there,
but we know we will.*

*It will be hard, we know,
and the road will be muddy and rough,
but we'll get there,
heaven knows how we will get there,
but we know we will.*

*Woyaya, Woyaya,
Woyaya, Woyaya,*

Closing Words		Sharon Swanson
Extinguish Chalice		Sharon Swanson
Postlude	<i>Toccata</i> , by Theodore Dubois	Earl Naylor, organ

Serving Us This Morning
Ushers: Susan Lammert and Kathy Wire
Greeters: Kathy Wilke
A/V Assistant: Margaret Weck

Rev. Dr. Claudia Hall serves as the minister of the Metro East UU Congregation in Glen Carbon, IL
Sharon Swanson serves on the Worship Committee of the Emerson Unitarian Universalist Chapel in St. Charles, MO

Rev. Krista Taves serves as the Lead Minister of the Eliot Unitarian Chapel in Kirkwood, MO

Music Notes

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Welcome to this religious community
where we affirm the dignity, worth, and freedom
of all who enter our doors.

Here we seek to live together in relationship and respect so that we may embrace and celebrate our differences. Understanding that we need not think alike to love alike, our religious values invite us to a shared journey of truth and meaning. Sincerity and connection guide our religious community, and call us into deeper association with ourselves and our world.

We welcome people of all ages, races, classes, ethnicities, abilities, sexual orientations and gender identities. First Unitarian Church of St. Louis is a *Welcoming Congregation* committed to the inclusion of LGBTQIAA+ individuals, families and communities in the life of our congregation. We are a *Green Sanctuary Church*, committed to sustainable practices and ethical consumption on our building and ground.

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