



**Kenilworth Union Church  
Service of Worship  
April 12, 2020  
Easter Sunday  
Online 10:30 a.m.**

## APPROACH

### In Preparation for Worship

Anyone who makes a person laugh  
opens heaven to him.  
Anyone who is patient with another  
gives him a future.  
Anyone who accepts a person  
as he himself  
is accepted by Christ  
loosens his tongue for life's hymn of praise.

Let us go out  
from our customs and our habits  
and learn to hope from the Bible.

Let us go out  
and cross the frontiers  
so that we may infect life with hope.

Let us ignore the barriers,  
and look only to the One who breaks them down.

He is risen.

Jesus is risen indeed.

Blessed be the Lord for ever and ever.

—Jürgen Moltmann, b. 1926

### Prelude

*Symphonie V: Final*

Louis Vierne

### Call to Worship

#### Opening Hymn

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

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But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!  
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

## Prayer of Easter Affirmation

Ministry of Music

*I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

Craig Courtney

I know that my Redeemer lives,  
And that he shall stand  
At the latter day upon the earth.  
And though my body be destroyed,  
Yet in my flesh shall I see God.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
I know that my Redeemer lives.  
  
Now we see in a glass dimly,  
But then, face to face;  
Now I know in part,  
But then I shall know as I am known.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
I know that my Redeemer lives.

## PROCLAMATION

Gospel Lesson

Mark 16:1–8

### The Easter Story in the Gospel of Mark

<sup>1</sup> When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup> When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup> As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup> So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

*Some of the most ancient authorities bring the book to a close at the end of verse 8. One authority concludes the book with the shorter ending; others include the shorter ending and then continue with verses 9–20. In most authorities verses 9–20 follow immediately after verse 8, though in some of these authorities the passage is marked as being doubtful.*

## **The Shorter Ending of Mark**

[[And all that had been commanded them they told briefly to those around Peter. And afterward Jesus himself sent out through them, from east to west, the sacred and imperishable proclamation of eternal salvation.]]

## **The Longer Ending of Mark**

[[<sup>9</sup> Now after he rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons. <sup>10</sup> She went out and told those who had been with him, while they were mourning and weeping. <sup>11</sup> But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it.

<sup>12</sup> After this he appeared in another form to two of them, as they were walking into the country.  
<sup>13</sup> And they went back and told the rest, but they did not believe them.

<sup>14</sup> Later he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were sitting at the table; and he upbraided them for their lack of faith and stubbornness, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation. <sup>16</sup> The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned. <sup>17</sup> And these signs will accompany those who believe: by using my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; <sup>18</sup> they will pick up snakes in their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."

<sup>19</sup> So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. <sup>20</sup> And they went out and proclaimed the good news everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that accompanied it.]]

## **Prayer for Illumination**

## **Sermon**

*Muted Easter, Viral Resurrection*

## **RESPONSE**

### **Prayers of the People**

Thanksgivings and Intercessions

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory,  
forever. Amen.**

## **Announcements from the Life of the Church**

## **Offering of Gifts**

Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

## **Closing Hymn**

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks*

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*Refrain*

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord;

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth;

He is the king of creation. *Refrain*

Spread the good news o'er all the earth;

Jesus has died and has risen. *Refrain*

We have been crucified with Christ;

Now we shall live forever. *Refrain*

Come, let us praise the living God;

Joyfully sing to our savior. *Refrain*

## **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

*Symphonie V: Toccata*

Charles-Marie Widor

† † † Plate Offering † † †

## **PARTICIPANTS**

**Lisa Bond**, Director of Music

**Chancel Choir Section Leader Ensemble Virtual Choir**, Ryan Belongie, Alyssa Bennett, Miya Higashiyama, David Honoré, Kelsey Sandefur, Jonathan Wilson, Evelyn Wouters

**William Evertsberg**, Senior Minister, Preacher

**Jo Forrest**, Senior Associate Minister, Liturgist

**Joel Fox**, Audio and Video

**Susan Klotzbach**, Organist

**Katie Snipes Lancaster**, Associate Minister, Liturgist

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**Milestones:** We extend the sympathy of the congregation to the family of Sean and Jennifer Bisceglia upon the death of Jennifer's father, John C. Phillips Jr. on April 6; and to the family of Jerry James and Kitty Bliss upon the death of Kitty's sister, Fifi Wiedeman on April 5; and to the family of Katherine (Kitsy) Bryant upon her death on April 3.

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## **WORSHIP**

**Online Mid-Day Prayer:** Each week a new liturgy is offered on livestream at 12:15 p.m. We meet for 15 minutes to read scriptures, hear a brief reflection. During 2020 we will pray for one of the Outreach agencies we support. On April 14 we will pray for the following: Reed & Catherine Eberle, John & Julia Edelmann, Margaret Eger, James & Susan Elliott, Michael & Amy Ellis, Mary Embree, Paul & Catherine Embree, Bob Emerson, Betty Engelmann, Ted & Michele Epps, Mike & Sonia Esler, Michael & Laura Estes, Joseph & Rebecca Etzler, Rev. Bill & Kathy Evertsberg, Craig & Alexis Eyler, Bill & Lindsay Farley, Don & Jan Farnsworth, Bill & Mindy Fauntleroy, Sandy & Susan Faurot, Rob & Anne Faurot, and the Outreach Agency this week is Haven Youth and Family Services.

**Online Sunday Divine Worship:** We continue to meet and pray virtually livestream, which can be reached at [kuc.org](http://kuc.org).

**Hallelujah At Home Art Project:** We are inviting churches both locally and from around the country to create Easter yard art. Use what you have (sidewalk chalk, paper, paint, crayons, string, scraps of wood, etc.) to create a “Hallelujah” banner/sign/message for Easter Sunday, April 12. Be sure to tag @kenilworthUnionChurch on social media and use hashtag #athomehallelujah. Send a photo for Quiet Easter by April 15 to [Kenilworth Union](#).

**First Ever Online Confirmation Sunday:** Please pray for our youth participating in Confirmation who have made diligent preparation all year long. Despite the hardships of being sheltered in place, they will prayerfully say “yes” to God and you will joyfully welcome them into membership at Kenilworth Union Church. We solicit all friends and members of the church to support our confirmands by livestreaming and participating through the YouTube chat feature on Sunday, April 19 at 10:30 a.m.

**Online Quiet Easter:** In keeping with the intimate qualities of Quiet Christmas, this new service invites you to share the hope in your lives. [Send us photos of your Hosanna and Hallelujahs](#). We will create a collage of our collective hopes along with prayer and music. Join us online on Tuesday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m.

**[YouTube.com/c/KenilworthUnionChurch](#):** Recordings of all Mid-Day Prayers, Worship, and Sermons plus extras of interest are available on our YouTube channel.

**Walk The Labyrinth:** The labyrinth at Kenilworth Union Church is located east of the cloisters and sheltered by the bushes lining the front walkway. The space is protected and feels like a secret meditative garden.

## **ADULT EDUCATION**

**Pilgrimage to Pentecost:** Join this virtual pilgrimage to move from the empty tomb of Easter morning to the fire of Pentecost on May 31. Each day of this pilgrimage a video of a scripture reading by a Kenilworth Union member and an accompanying prayer will be distributed. To mark your progress in the pilgrimage, you will receive a badge in recognition of your commitment, leading to the final destination. Join in this new community. Offer to read a day's passage by sending an email to [Katie Lancaster](#), [Silvi Pirn](#), or [Jo Forrest](#). [Subscribe to receive the daily email.](#)

**Online LGBTQ+ “Train the Trainer” Ally Workshop:** On Friday, April 17 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. learn how to talk with your leadership teams, Sunday school teachers, and youth leaders about inclusion in your faith community. All are welcome, please RSVP on line at [kuc.org](#), or with [Katie Lancaster](#).

## **OUTREACH**

**Online Outreach Benefit:** Look for new information on the virtual live auction and more from 2020 Outreach Benefit.

## **KENILWORTH UNION CHURCH GREEN TEAM**

North Shore Communities [Celebrate Earth Day](#) online on Thursday, April 23 from 7 to 9 p.m. [Register in advance of this meeting here](#) or contact [Katie Nahrwold](#) for more information.

## **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

**We will Pray For You:** Kenilworth Union Church reflects God's love through support and care for one another. Prayer requests may be made online at [kuc.org](#), or during any of our livestream worship services on chat, or by contacting [Jo Forrest](#).

**We Are Here and Ready To Be With You:** Stephen Ministers provide one-on-one confidential care in trying times.

**CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY** (Connect to Online programs from link in Children and Family Ministry Newsletter or contact Christine Hides at [chides@kuc.org](mailto:chides@kuc.org) for access.)

**Online Sunday School on Sundays at 10 a.m.**

**Online Weekday Storytime at 11:45 a.m.**

**Online Faith234 Youth Group on Tuesdays at 4 p.m.**

**Online Middle School Youth Group on Wednesdays at 5 p.m.**

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Online Junior High Youth Group:** Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., seventh and eighth graders connect on zoom for games and conversation. Log on to the [Zoom meeting here](#). Meeting ID: 395 288 952

**Wilderness Confirmation Registration is Open:** Wilderness is our week of faith exploration and backpacking in Olympic National Park—a now beloved way for incoming freshmen participate in the confirmation program. August 1–8.

**Youth Support from KUC Cares:** If you or a young person you know needs extra support for any reason, including illness or hospitalization, anxiety, death in the family, other problems, please let us know by [filling in this confidential form](#). A member of our KUC Cares team will reach out to any young person in need in this community.

**Youth Ministry Staff Virtual Office Hours:** Starting this week, Katie Lancaster, Claire Revord, and Silvi Pirn will have virtual “office hours” for any young person or parent who needs to talk or just wants to stop in and say “hi”. Katie’s office hours are from 4–5 p.m. on Mondays, Claire’s are 4–5 p.m. on Tuesdays, and Silvi’s are 4–5 p.m. on Thursdays. For a link to visit, email youth staff: [Katie Lancaster](#), [Claire Revord](#), or [Silvi Pirn](#).

## **STEWARSHIP**

During this challenging time, our church continues to serve the emotional and spiritual needs of our congregation, albeit in a different mode than usual. Our ministers teach online and give pastoral care by phone; our Communications team keeps everyone informed via email; our building maintenance team creates a healthy and safe work environment for the staff and for the eventual return of our entire congregation to worship. Most encouraging are the ways the members of this church are serving one another through their common bonds at Kenilworth Union. While our ministry may look different, it nonetheless continues to thrive. The church relies on your gifts even more so today. Please click the link during the offering to make your contribution or visit [kuc.org/give](#) or text Church211 to 73256. Thank you for your support.

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**  
**Easter Sunday—Pilgrimage to Pentecost**  
April 12, 2020

All Events Are Online

Sun., Apr. 12	10 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Easter Worship
Mon., Apr. 13	11:45 a.m.	Storytime
	4 p.m.	Katie Lancaster Office Hours
Tues., Apr. 14	8 a.m.	The Artist's Way
	11:45 a.m.	Storytime
	12:15 p.m.	Mid-Day Prayer
	4 p.m.	Faith234 Youth Group
	4 p.m.	Claire Revord Office Hours
Wed., Apr. 15	11:45 a.m.	Storytime
	5 p.m.	Middle School Youth Group
	6:30 p.m.	Junior High Youth Group
Thur., Apr. 16	11:45 p.m.	Storytime
	4 p.m.	Silvi Pirn Office Hours
Fri., Apr. 17	11:45 p.m.	Storytime
	1:30 p.m.	Faith Pride: LGBTQ+ Ally Training
Sat., Apr. 18		

Thank you for keeping the connection to Kenilworth Union Church. I hope you continue it, because we're going to be doing it this way for quite a while, at least through Pentecost at the end of May, maybe a lot longer, and this is not the time to drop or alter or surrender your virtuous habit of divine worship every Sunday morning of prayer, praise, and preaching, because we need God more than ever now than we ever did, maybe even since 9/11. —The Reverend Dr. William A. Evertsberg, March 20.