Kenilworth Union Church
Service of Worship
May 24, 2020
Seventh Sunday of Eastertide
Online 10 a.m.

APPROACH
Prelude

Hymn to the Fallen
John Williams

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn
Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart
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1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
And make me love thee as I ought to love.

2. Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and king.
All, all thine own: soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
I see thy cross, there teach my heart to cling.
O let me seek thee, and O let me find!

3. Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh;
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

4. Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame;
The baptism of the heaven-descended dove,
My heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

Opening Prayer

Ministry of Music
“Requiem” from Band of Brothers
Michael Kamen, arr. H. Huisjes

You never lived to see, what you gave to me.
Your shining dream of hope and love. Life and liberty.
With a host of brave unknown soldiers for your company,
You will live forever. Here in our memory.

Refrain
I wish you’d lived to see, all you gave to me.
Your shining dream of hope and love, life and liberty.
We are all one great band of brothers and one day you’ll see we can live together.
When all the world is free.
In fields of sacrifice, heroes paid the price.
Young men who died for old men’s wars, gone to paradise.
We are all one great band of brothers and one day you’ll see we can live together.
When all the world is free. **Refrain**

**PROCLAMATION**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Gospel Lesson**

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15 If you love me, you will keep my commandments.
16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another **Advocate [Paraclete]**, to be with you for ever.
17 This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.
18 I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you.
19 In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live.
25 I have said these things to you while I am still with you.
26 But the **Advocate [Paraclete], the Holy Spirit**, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.
27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

**Sermon**

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*Only the Lonely, IV: I Will Not Leave You Orphaned*

**RESPONSE**

**Tithes and Offerings**

Announcements from the Life of the Church
Offering of Gifts

**Celebration of the Eucharist**

Invitation to the Lord’s Table
Eucharistic Prayer

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Je-sus, re-mem-ber me when you come in-to your King-dom.

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Words of Institution
Sharing of the Bread and the Cup
"In Paradisum" from Requiem
May angels lead you into Paradise.
At your coming may martyrs receive you,
And may they lead you into the Holy City, Jerusalem.
May the chorus of angels receive you,
And with Lazarus, who once was a pauper,
May you have eternal rest.

Prayer of Consecration

Closing Hymn

1. Breathe on me, breath of God,
   Fill me with life anew,
   That I may love what thou dost love,
   And do what thou wouldst do.

2. Breathe on me, breath of God,
   Until my heart is pure,
   Until with thee I will one will,
   To do and to endure.

3. Breathe on me, breath of God,
   Till I am wholly thine,
   Until this earthly part of me
   Glows with they fire divine.

4. Breathe on me, breath of God,
   So shall I never die,
   But live with thee the perfect life
   Of thine eternity.

Benediction

Postlude

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory
arr. Mary McDonald

† † † Plate Offering † † †

PARTICIPANTS:
Alyssa Bennett, Assistant Director of Choirs
Lisa Bond, Director of Music
Chancel Choir
Emily Dale, Percussionist
William Evertsberg, Senior Minister, Preacher
Jo Forrest, Senior Associate Minister, Liturgist
Joel Fox, Audio and Video
John Jaffe, Clarinet
Susan Klotzbach, Organist
Milestones: We extend the sympathy of the congregation to the Hallsteen Family upon the death of their mother, Joan Hallsteen on May 16; and to the family of John and Cheryl Mruczek-Sharp upon the death of Cheryl’s mother, Anne Mruczek on May 15; and to the family of Mark and Wendy Irwin upon the death of Mark’s father, Robert Duncan Irwin on April 26. The congregation celebrates the April 30 birth of Paige Elizabeth Hemmings, daughter of Drew and Kristen Hemmings.

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
Meet Our New Members Next Sunday: Our new members will be commissioned during 10 a.m. Summer Worship. Gather during Fellowship chat immediately following worship. BYOC (bake your own cake!) to welcome new members in traditional Kenilworth Union Church style.

Memorial Day Monday, May 25: The church observes Memorial Day as a holiday. For emergencies please reach out to Bill, Jo, or Katie’s email address.

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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 May 26 we will pray for the following: Dave & Carrie Hamm, George & Amanda Hanley, David & Marion Hanold, Doug Hanslip, Todd & Betsy Harootyan, Mike Harper, Ken & Julianna Harris, Chris & Anne Hart, Gregory & Carrie Hart, John & Margaret Hart, Bill & Diane Hart, Alan & Anja Harvey, Ann Harvey, Dorothy Harza, Fred & Gail Hawk, David & Karen Hawkins, Barbara Hayes, Dana & Sharon Hayes, Eric & Bridgette Hayes, Howard & Charlotte Hayes, Howard Jr. & Julie Hayes, and the Outreach Agency this week is Humble Design.

YouTube.com/c/KenilworthUnionChurch: Recordings of all Mid-Day Prayers, Worship, and Sermons plus extras of interest are available on our YouTube channel (must be logged into your personal youtube to chat).

FELLOWSHIP
Please join us for Fellowship immediately following worship via Zoom. Click here.
ID: 913 6148 0236, PW: 370238

OUTREACH
Furniture & Household Goods Donation Opportunity: From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, Winnetka Congregational Church is offering contactless drop off to help the Chicago Furniture Bank and Humble Design. Read Vivian Vahlberg’s blog here.
MUSIC MINISTRY

Several Immense Steps to Create the Virtual Choir: Kenilworth Union’s music ministry is beloved by the church community. Though Covid-19 threatened the ability of these musicians to come together in song and prayer, some technology, time, and agility has helped the music ministry continue to share offerings with the congregation. Miya Higashiyama describes what goes on behind the scenes here.

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.

The Lord’s Prayer: Prayer remains the ancient and ever present way to connect with God. In this intimate and mysterious time we offer gratitude, plead for God to intervene…and receive God’s guidance. Join Bill Evertsberg, Jo Forrest, and Katie Lancaster on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. from June 3 to July 29 to explore scripture through the prayer Jesus teaches us: The Lord’s Prayer. Too often these familiar words may fall from our mouths and minds without thinking. Yet with each word and phrase, Jesus points us closer to God. Please contact Jo Forrest for more information.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Navigating Life Under the Pressure of COVID-19:
For more than a century Kenilworth Union Church has been rooted in the love of God and neighbor, seeking to answer the ancient call to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

As we respond to and navigate life under the pressures of the COVID-19 pandemic we remain committed to nurturing love, faith, and fellowship across generations and traditions. We rise to this new challenge as we continue to proclaim Christ’s gospel of hope in a broken and hurting world.

While we still do not know when it will be safe to resume gathering in person at church, we do know that the church is not and never has been bound by the physical building: our faith community flourishes in inspiring and relevant ways now more than ever.

Divine worship, small groups, bible studies, congregational care, and church meetings will continue in virtual platforms for the foreseeable future. The health and safety of all who gather—members, community, and staff—remains our priority. Our planning for in-person gatherings will be guided by the phased approach outlined by the State of Illinois and informed by organizations who serve this community.

At this point, while you may see staff members occasionally entering the building to film or prepare for Sunday worship services, as allowed under the state’s stay at home orders, the church remains closed for all others.

In this time of great upheaval our church remains a bright light of hope and strength for the community.
Fireside Chats with Bill Evertsberg: During social distancing, Bill Evertsberg virtually checks in weekly, a new tradition of Pastoral Care. Click here to view the latest video.

Help needed in Care Guild: We attend to Church members by delivering meals, writing, assist with transit, and making phone calls to individuals and families during life's ups and downs. Please consider participating in this vibrant and important ministry, Volunteer online.

Walk the Labyrinth: The labyrinth, located to the east of the cloisters, is available for anyone yearning for a meditative stroll. This outdoor space allows you to safely connect with both our physical church and your spiritual practice.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY (Connect to Online programs from link in Children and Family Ministry Newsletter or contact Christine Hides for access.)

- Family Chapel & Sunday School on Sundays at 9:15 a.m.
- Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Midweek Candle Time
- Thursdays at 11:45 a.m. Lunch Storytime and Prayer

Use this link to schedule appointment with Christine Hides, office hours are Mon., Wed., and Thur.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Attention current Eighth Graders: Confirmation registration for summer wilderness and 2020/21 classroom courses are open. Get the details here.

Get Involved Serving Others: There are many non-contact ways for youth and families to serve others during quarantine. Get the details here.

STEWARDSHIP

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. If you made a pledge during the stewardship campaign that remains to be filled, you received a letter this week with your pledge status. 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.

We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

If you would like to learn more, please contact The Reverend Dr. Jo Forrest or a Stephen Leader.

Care Guild Leader for May is Chris Beer and for June is Virginia Reising.
To let us know where help is needed, call Care Guild at (847)853-3534
CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK
Memorial Day Weekend, Summer Worship Begins

May 24, 2020—All Events Are Online—

Sun., May 24
6 a.m.  Pilgrimage to Pentecost-New Badge!
9:15 a.m.  Family Chapel & Sunday School
10 a.m.  Summer Worship with Communion
10 a.m.  Breakfast Club
after worship  Fellowship
after worship  Wayside Chat

Mon., May 25
6 a.m.  Memorial Day

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6 a.m.  Pilgrimage to Pentecost-Diana Connolly

Tues., May 26
6 a.m.  Pilgrimage to Pentecost-Ann Mohn
8 a.m.  The Artist’s Way
12:15 p.m.  Mid-Day Prayer
4 p.m.  Claire Revord Office Hour
7 p.m.  Midweek Candle Time

Wed., May 27
6 a.m.  Pilgrimage to Pentecost-Easton Joyce
10 a.m.  Men’s Coffee
7 p.m.  Bill Evertsberg’s Fireside Chat

Thur., May 28
6 a.m.  Pilgrimage to Pentecost-Keyler White
11:45 a.m.  Lunch Storytime and Prayer
4 p.m.  Silvi Pirn Office Hour

Fri., May 29
6 a.m.  Pilgrimage to Pentecost-Beth Sawyer

Sat., May 30
6 a.m.  Pilgrimage to Pentecost-Third Grade

CALENDAR  ←  ← Click on the button to go to the website calendar.