



Kenilworth Union Church
Service of Worship
July 19, 2020
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Online 10 a.m.

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Capela dos Ossos

Fr. António da Ascensão Teles, d. 1848

Where are you going in such a hurry traveler?
Stop...do not proceed;
You have no greater concern,
Than this one: that on which you focus your sight.

Recall how many have passed from this world,
Reflect on your similar end,
There is good reason to reflect
If only all did the same.

Ponder, you so influenced by fate,
Among the many concerns of the world,
So little do you reflect on death;

If by chance you glance at this place,
Stop...for the sake of your journey,
The more you pause, the more you will progress.

APPROACH

Prelude

Praeludium in Eb Major

Nicolas Bruhns

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength

#191

1. God is our refuge and our strength, Our ever-present aid, And therefore, though the earth remove, We will not be afraid;	2. Though hills amide the seas be cast, Though foaming waters roar, Yea, though the mighty billows shake The mountains on the shore.
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3. Where God abides a river flows;
That city will rejoice.
But nations fear and kingdoms shake
Before God's thundering voice.

4. Since God is in the midst of it,
The city walls shall stand,
Secure and safe with God's sure help,
When trouble is at hand.

Opening Prayer

Ministry of Music

My God Is A Rock

arr. A. Parker and R. Shaw

Refrain

My God is a rock in a weary land,
Weary land, in a weary land,
My God is a rock in a weary land
Shelter in the time of storm.
Oh yes!

I know he is a rock in a weary land
Weary land, in a weary land
I know he is a rock in a weary land
Shelter in the time of storm.

1. Stop and let me tell you 'bout chapter one
When the Lord God's work had just begun
Stop and let me tell you 'bout chapter two
When the Lord God written his bible true.
Stop and let me tell you 'bout chapter three
When the Lord God he died upon Calvary.

Refrain

2. Stop and let me tell you 'bout chapter four
When the Lord God visited among the poor.
Stop and let me tell you 'bout chapter five
When the Lord God he raised all the dead alive.
Stop and let me tell you 'bout chapter six
He went to Jerusalem and healed the sick.

Refrain

3. Stop and let me tell you 'bout chapter seven
When he died and he risen and he went up to heaven.
Stop and let me tell you 'bout chapter eight
When the Lord God he standing at that golden gate.
Stop and let me tell you 'bout chapter nine
When the Lord God he turned all the water to wine.
Stop, and let me tell you 'bout the chapter ten,
Oh my Jesus!

PROCLAMATION

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 44:6-8

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Like a Rock

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.

Tithes and Offerings

Announcements from the Life of the Church

Offering of Gifts

Prayer of Dedication

Closing Hymn

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

#379

1. My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain*

3. His oath, his covenant, his blood
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found,
Dressed in his righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne. *Refrain*

Benediction

Postlude

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Healey Willan

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PARTICIPANTS:

Ryan Belongie, Hymn Soloist

Lisa Bond, Director of Music

Chancel Choir

Jo Forrest, Senior Associate Minister, Preacher

Joel Fox, Audio and Video

Susan Klotzbach, Organist

Katie Snipes Lancaster, Associate Minister, Liturgist

Jonathan Wilson, Chancel Choir Soloist

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Garden Side Video Chat with Bill Evertsberg: Bill shares two disruptive church trends, and reveals what worship in the sanctuary may look like when it resumes on September 20.

Children and Family Ministry—Pivoting Easily Between At-Home and Online: Reverend Dr. Katie Snipes Lancaster's blog expresses pride in her team. Silvi Pirn and Christine Hides are committed to offering authentic connection, meaningful experience, and rich sacred encounters for children, youth, and families that are limber enough to endure this continued season of change.

Last Call Church Directory: Please send your changes and updates for the 2020–21 Kenilworth Union Church member directory by Thursday, July 30.

WORSHIP

Outdoor Worship at 8:30 a.m. in the Memorial Garden, if you are able to attend in-person, please reserve a space each week. **Summer Worship at 10 a.m.** is LIVESTREAM.

Mid-Day Prayer: Each week a new liturgy is offered in the Sanctuary and 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 July 21 we will pray for the following: Robert Kolar & Sue Nordstrom, Laird & Deidre Koldyke, Paul & Donna Konstant, Jeffrey & Jane Kopiwoda, Courtney Kosanovich, Cam & Diane Krueger, Cliff Krueger, Kelley & Beverly Kruger, Chris Kuenzel, Ron & Nancy Kurz, Jim & Julia Kyle, Mary Lambert, David & Darlene Landsittel, Penny Lanphier, Stuart & Karin Larkins, Gregg & Sue Latterman, Morley & Diana Lautens, Connor & Kelsey Lawrie, Craig & Lisa Lawson, Harold & Missy Leddy, and the Outreach Agency this week is RefugeeONE

Good News on Reopening from Katie White, Trustee

I have had the honor of serving with a wonderful group of other Church members on the Re-opening Task Force. Our Church has never closed, and it has been inspiring to see how active we have been during these strange several months. We have been virtually worshipping, attending coffee hours, meeting in committees, attending Sunday school classes and youth groups, and staying connected through eNews, the website, and phone calls to mention just a few examples. Our community is strong and supportive. We have shown we will do God's work in creative ways and always share his love.

However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the building has been generally closed and we have been working hard to be ready to reopen the building when state guidelines permitted.

It is with excitement and joy that I share with you, on behalf of the Task Force, the Board of Trustees, and the Staff that after careful consideration and thoughtful planning by many church members and staff, that the Kenilworth Union Church building is slowly reopening. [Continue reading](#)

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Daily Devotional Series: Welcome to Kenilworth Union Church's Daily Devotional, *100 Days of Homegrown Prayer*, a daily reflection and prayer specially created to deepen your relationship with God, broaden your theological horizon, and bless your day. To receive this devotional daily via email, [please sign up here](#).

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.

ADULT EDUCATION

Anti-Racism Class: Kenilworth Union Church has long been tuned to God's call for justice. Yet we are open to admitting the imperfection of our path toward justice. We invite you to participate in the work of anti-racism through our Adult Education program. Join your church leaders for our online Anti-Racism Study Group this Monday, July 20, 7 p.m. Prepare for the class by watching the "[Requiem For Ahmaud Arbury](#)" by Rev. Dr. Otis Moss III in conversation with James Cone's book "[The Cross and the Lynching Tree](#)."

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. through 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. [View past classes here](#).

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Connect to Online Programs from link in Children and Family Ministry Newsletter or contact [Christine Hides](#) for access.

July and August Catalog for Children and Families: In the catalog, you will find a wide array of faith formation opportunities and formats: online only, DIY (asynchronous), and hybrid in-person (at home) and online. To participate, simply send an email to [Greta Connor](#).

New! CommUNITY Allies self-paced Vacation Bible School: for the whole family from late July–early August: Please email [Greta Connor](#) to receive the VBS activity packets. Geared for children K–6th grades. Parents, grandparents, and friends are welcome! CommUNITY Allies uses arts and crafts, movement challenges, music and more to celebrate and inspire families of faith to join together—even as we are all apart. Join us to learn about empathy, community activism, and our global connections from the safety of your home.

Schedule an appointment with Christine Hides: Office hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Daddy Daughter Duo: Julia Dale soloist accompanied by her father Don Dale on guitar team up to praise God with "Another Hallelujah" at the 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship last Sunday.

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.](#)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Beach Clean Up Day: We are teaming up with Go Green Wilmette to pick up trash on the beach on Saturday, July 25 from 9:50–noon.

Volunteer at Chicago Food Depository: Wednesday, July 29 from 9 a.m.–noon. Families can do this! Due to social-distancing requirements, Kenilworth Union Church cannot provide transportation. We will meet you there!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Summer of Service Challenge: Youth Ministry challenges this congregation to serve others and spread joy this summer. Anyone can play and there are even prizes!

Attention Rising 9th Graders: Confirmation registration for the 2020/21 classroom courses is now open.

More than a Hashtag Discussions: The Youth Ministry staff will facilitate a series of three in-person group discussions to dig into Micah 6:8 “What does the Lord require?”. Join us for one or all three on Wednesdays at 5 p.m. on July 29, August 19, and September 9. Please RSVP to [Silvi Pirn](#). for specifics on where to meet.

CONNECTING TO KENILWORTH UNION

Subscribe to the eNews: Sign up to receive Kenilworth Union Church's information through our bi-weekly newsletter.

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

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 July is Marion Hanold.

To let us know where help is needed, call Care Guild at (847)853-3534

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19, 2020

—All Events Are Online Except Where Noted—

- Sun., July 19
- 6 a.m. Daily Devotional: 100 Days of Homegrown Prayer
 - 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship—Memorial Garden—By Reservation
 - 9:15 a.m. Family Chapel and Sunday School
 - 10 a.m. Summer Worship
 - 10:45 a.m. Awake to God in Nature
- Mon., July 20
- 6 a.m. Daily Devotional: 100 Days of Homegrown Prayer
 - 3 p.m. Artful Gratitude Journaling
 - 4 p.m. Katie Lancaster Virtual Office Hour
 - 7 p.m. Adult Education—Anti-Racism Study Group
- Tues., July 21
- 6 a.m. Daily Devotional: 100 Days of Homegrown Prayer
 - 12:15 p.m. Mid-Day Prayer—Sanctuary or Livestream
 - 7 p.m. Candle Time
 - 7:30 p.m. 21+ Theology on Tap
- Wed., July 22
- 6 a.m. Daily Devotional: 100 Days of Homegrown Prayer
 - 9 a.m. Adult Education—The Lord's Prayer
 - 10 a.m. Men's Coffee
 - 5 p.m. At Home with God
 - 7 p.m. Garden Side Chat with Bill Evertsberg
- Thur., July 23
- 6 a.m. Daily Devotional: 100 Days of Homegrown Prayer
 - 11:45 a.m. Lunch Storytime and Prayer
 - 4 p.m. Silvi Pirn's Virtual Office Hour
 - 7 p.m. Exploring Grief Group
- Fri., July 24
- 6 a.m. Daily Devotional: 100 Days of Homegrown Prayer
- Sat., July 25
- 6 a.m. Daily Devotional: 100 Days of Homegrown Prayer
 - 9:50 a.m. Volunteer Beach Cleanup—Wilmette

CALENDAR

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