



**Kenilworth Union Church**  
**Service of Worship**  
**October 4, 2020**  
**Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**9:30 a.m. Online**  
**10:30 a.m. Sanctuary**

[CONNECT TO WORSHIP](#) at 9:30 a.m.

**Prelude** *Improvisation (Adore te, I adore Thee)* Jean Langlais  
*Communion (Ubi caritas et amor, Where charity and love are, God is there)*

**Call to Worship**

**Opening Hymn** *God of Grace and God of Glory* #420

1. God of grace and God of glory,  
On thy people pour thy power;  
Crown thine ancient church's story,  
Bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
For the facing of this hour,  
For the facing of this hour.
2. Lo! The hosts of evil round us  
Scorn thy Christ assail thy ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
Free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
For the living of these days,  
For the living of these days.
3. Cure thy children's warring madness,  
Bend our pride to thy control;  
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
Rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.
4. Set our feet on lofty places;  
Gird our lives that they may be

Armored with all Christ-like graces,  
Pledged to set all captives free.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
That we fail not them nor thee!  
That we fail not them nor thee!

Walter Brueggemann, 1933–

### **Opening Prayer**

Good Lord, on our own, we conclude:  
that there is not enough to go around,  
that we are going to run short:  
of money,  
of love,  
of grades,  
of publications,  
of members,  
of years,  
of life.

We should seize the day, seize the goods,  
seize our neighbor's goods,  
because there is not enough to go around.

And in the midst of our perceived deficit,  
you come giving bread in the wilderness,  
you come giving children at the eleventh hour,  
you come giving homes to exiles,  
you come giving futures to the shut-down,  
you come giving Easter joy to the dead.

And we watch while the blind receive their sight,  
the lame walk,  
the deaf hear,  
the poor dance and sing.

We watch, and we take food we did not grow,  
and life we did not invent,  
and future that is gift and gift and gift.

By your giving, break our cycles of imagined scarcity,  
override our presumed deficits,  
and help us to see the abundance:  
mercy upon mercy,

blessing upon blessing.

## **Ministry of Music**

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

Spiritual

Let us break bread together on our knees;

Let us break bread together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;

Let us drink wine together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;

Let us praise God together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

## **Scripture Lesson for the Day**

Isaiah 5:1–8

## **Prayer for Illumination**

## **Sermon**

*Imagined Scarcity, Abundant Reality, V: Sing Me a Love Song*

## **Tithes and Offerings**

Announcements from the Life of the Church

## **Celebration of the Eucharist**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Eucharistic Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

*Please partake in the elements you have prepared.*

Prayer of Consecration

## **Closing Hymn**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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1. Love divine, all loves excelling,

Joy of heaven, to earth come down,

Fix in us thy humble dwelling,

All thy faithful mercies crown!

Jesus thou art all compassion,

Pure, unbounded love thou art;

Visit us with thy salvation,

Enter every trembling heart.

2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving spirit

Into every troubled breast!

Let us all in thee inherit,  
Let us find the promised rest;  
Take away the love of sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning,  
Set our hearts at liberty.

3. Come, almighty to deliver,  
Let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve thee as thy hosts above;  
Pray and praise thee without ceasing,  
Glory in thy perfect love.

4. Finish, then, thy new creation;  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation  
Perfectly restored in thee;  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

*Postlude I*

Jean Langlais

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## **PARTICIPANTS:**

**William Evertsberg**, Senior Minister, Liturgist

**Jo Forrest**, Senior Associate Minister, Preacher

**Joel Fox**, Audio and Video

**Miya Higashiyama**, Soloist

**Susan Klotzbach**, Organist

**Ushers**, Beth Adamoli, Jim Fritz, Paul Sortal

**Jonathan Wilson**, Hymn Soloist

10:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

**Milestone:** We extend the sympathy of the congregation to the families of Judy Petrie and her daughter Marnie (Stephen) Bowen upon the death of Judy's husband and Marnie's father, Doug Petrie on September 25. We welcome to baptism today at the 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship Sebastian Andrew Miller, son of Chris and Patricia Miller.

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## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Outdoor Worship:** We have added more space to our 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship service! We had purposely kept the headcount low for health and safety, but it has reached capacity on many recent Sundays, and so we have added spots for more to join in spiritual togetherness while still maintaining physical distance. Please reserve your space ahead of time here.

**The All of Me, All of Us Stewardship Campaign has Commenced:** George Wishart, Stewardship Committee Chair announces, "Now more than ever God seems to want all of us and all of what we can offer." Thank you for making your pledge by Sunday, November 8 with the "make your pledge" link.

**Wednesday Chat with Bill Evertsberg:** Bill talks about the pain of loss, and about the micro- and macro-kindnesses that can help us move forward.

**New Member Introduction Classes** begin Sunday, October 18 at 11:30 a.m. online, or at 2 p.m. in the Culbertson Room, or Monday, October 19 at 7 p.m. online. Those choosing to be new members will be recognized on New Member Sunday, October 25 at 10:30 a.m. worship in the Sanctuary. Please contact Jo Forrest or George Tzanetopoulos for additional information.

## WORSHIP

**Mid-Day Prayer:** Each week a new liturgy is offered in the Sanctuary and livestream this week 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 Tuesday, October 6 we will pray for the following: Judy Pettas & Shaun Wood, John & Vallie Pettersen, Gen Phelps, John & Lucie Phillips, Kevin Phillips & Annee Engelmann-Phillips, John & Kathy Piegras, Vlatka Piergies, James & Judith Pierpont, Dick & Karen Pigott, Steve & Bev Pinaire, Silvi Pirn, John & Laura Podjasek, John & Grace Poe, Scott & Sally Pofcher, Chris Poggianti & Larry Schulman, Elizabeth & Chris Pohle, Joe & Sarah Pomeroy, Jeff & Debby Ponko, King & Hope Poor, Molly Porterfield, the AJN Preschool Families: The Acciavatti Family, The Achter Family, The Anderson Family, The Angelo Family, The Babaian Family, The Baker Family, The Billmeyer Family, The Bode Family, The Bollhoefer Family, and The Braden Family, and the Outreach Agency this week is YWCA Evanston/North Shore.

**Registration for Next Sunday's Worship:** Meet in the Memorial Garden at 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship, or 9:30 a.m. livestream for our Online Worship or at 10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary.

## MUSIC MINISTRY

**Last Sunday at our 9:30 a.m. Online Worship:** Susan Klotzbach, organist and Deb Ponko, violinist perform Ornament of Grace, Bernard Sanders. Jonathan Wilson, soloist, performs God of the Fertile Fields, arr. Felice de Giardini. Lisa Bond, pianist and Jonathan in a closing hymn duet, As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought, arr. Ralph Vaughn Williams.

## **NEW RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

**By Laura Connell**

The Kenilworth Union Racial Justice Committee came into existence in the summer of 2020, following the killing of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and George Floyd, at the request of the ministers and Board of Trustees.

Our members include Dana and Laura Connell (co-chairs), Bill Evertsberg, Susan Bondurant, Sally Campbell, Michael Holling, Tommy McAtamney, Scott Myers, Diane Rand, and Henry White.

We know that we do not have all the answers. But we know that racism is incompatible with Christian values and Church teaching. As Christians we endeavor to “do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with the Lord our God” —Micah 6:8.

The Racial Justice Committee was founded on the following three guiding principles, all in the spirit of being an educated and welcoming church community: [Continue reading here.](#)

## **ADULT EDUCATION**

**Exploring Isaiah:** All are welcome to join Adult Education Bible Read Along with [Jo Forrest](#) on Wednesdays, through November 11 at 9:15 a.m. Isaiah’s prophecy unveils the full dimensions of God’s judgement and salvation for the Hebrew people. Composed over an expanse of centuries, the messages are to bring a rebellious people back to obedience along with the promise of a messiah. [Please click here for the Youtube recording of each class.](#)

**Communal Trauma:** Although our surrounds do not reflect the damage from bombs or floods, the fabric of our lives seem to have been shredded by the recurrent and persistent challenges of COVID, quarantines, and protests, to name the most obvious. This online class will explore the spiritual foundation our faith provides, practical approaches as we encounter stress and trauma, and seek to strengthen us for the road ahead. Join class leader, Rev. Ruth Sorenson-Prokosch on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. Please contact [Jo Forrest](#) for more information.

## **GREEN TEAM CLASSES**

**Reducing Plastic Use and Pollution:** Tomorrow, October 5, at 7 p.m. the WCC Green Team will be hosting another installment in the The Planet and the Pandemic Series. This virtual conversation will be led by Green Team member, Greg Frezado. Please contact [King Poor](#) with your questions.

**The Climate Crisis: The Solutions Are In Reach:** Online Presentation led by Jane Goldenberg on Tuesday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP: [Go Green Winnetka.](#)

## **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

**Gratitude Daily Devotional:** There is nothing better than gratitude to change the way we see the world and change the way the world sees us. Kenilworth Union Church invites you to become part of a gratitude journey by subscribing to a daily email.

**Fall Faith Walks:** Join with active members and friends of Kenilworth Union for a time of devotion followed by a brisk 60 minute walk, admiring God's good gift of creation. Mondays at 10 a.m., Thursdays at 9:30 a.m., and Sundays at 9 a.m. We will follow the guidelines for outdoor events during Phase Four. Please reserve your space with Jo Forrest.

**Fall Exploring Grief Group:** The group meets online every Thursday from 7–8:30 p.m. beginning October 15 for eight consecutive sessions except for November 26 due to Thanksgiving. This free series provides a confidential, supportive, and educational environment to grieve the loss of a loved one or friend. All community residents are welcome to participate. For more information and to register for this, contact Joellen Hosler at 847-446-6955 ext. 19. Sponsored by Christ Church Winnetka, Kenilworth Union Church, and Winnetka Congregational Church. View SamaCare Counseling Flyer

**YOUTH MINISTRY Follow @kucyouth instagram**

**A lot is going on with the youth at Kenilworth Union:** Groups, IMPACT, Girl Gang, CORE—and more is coming soon. Please register online here for weekly Youth Ministry programs or email Silvi Pirn if you need more information.

**Freshmen Care Package Project:** We need your mailing address so we can send you a care package! Home addresses are encouraged too. We want to be sure to include freshmen that are taking a gap year, remote learning, or taking time to figure out next steps! The project is generously underwritten by the Alison Tobey Smart Memorial Fund. Submit your address to Silvi Pirn.

## **CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY**

**Children and Family Ministry Registration** The children's ministry staff and committee are excited to offer their flexible, meaningful opportunities for this fall ministry season, through November 22. Safety, building community, and growing in God's love are their top priorities.

**School Supply Drive for Holy Family School, September 20–October 11:** Children and Family Ministry, in partnership with the Holy Family Ministries a Kenilworth Union Outreach Agency. The school is collecting wide-ruled notebook paper, composition books, three subject spiral notebooks, index cards, pocket folders, and backpacks for Holy Family School. Items can be dropped off in the red bin inside the southeast doors during the week or on Sunday mornings at the children's ministry check-in behind the Warwick Manse. Thank you for your donation which provides students with the supplies they need to learn and grow. For more information please contact Christine Hides.

**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 October is Laurel Lien.

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

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
World Communion Sunday

### COVID-19 UPDATES

- Sun., Oct. 4
- 6 a.m. Gratitude Daily Devotional—Online
  - 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship with Baptism—Memorial Garden
  - 9 a.m. Confirmation Class—East Frontyard & Schmidt Chapel
  - 9 a.m. This Is Our Prayer—Warwick Manse Driveway
  - 9 a.m. Family Chapel—Warwick Manse Driveway & Backyard
  - 9 a.m. Fall Faith Walk—Off Site
  - 9:30 a.m. Online Worship with Communion—Livesteam
  - 10:30 a.m. BYO Breakfast Club—Warwick Manse
  - 10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary with Communion—Sanctuary
  - 11 a.m. Confirmation Class—East Frontyard & Schmidt Chapel
  - 11 a.m. Third Grade Bible Hybrid—Warwick Manse Backyard
  - 11 a.m. Digging Deeper—Online
  - 11 a.m. Third Grade Bible—Online
  - 1:30 p.m. IMPACT Jr Board Planning Meeting—Warwick Manse
- Mon., Oct. 5
- 6 a.m. Gratitude Daily Devotional —Online
  - 10 a.m. Fall Faith Walks—Church Cloisters
  - 4 p.m. Katie Lancaster Virtual Office Hours—Online
  - 7 p.m. Reducing Plastic Use and Pollution—Online
- Tues., Oct. 6
- 6 a.m. Gratitude Daily Devotional—Online
  - 2:15 p.m. Mid-Day Prayer—Sanctuary and Livesteam
  - 4:30 p.m. Junior Bell Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
  - 5 p.m. Women’s Connections—Warwick Manse Backyard
  - 7 p.m. Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
- Wed., Oct. 7
- 6 a.m. Gratitude Daily Devotional—Online
  - 9:15 a.m. Adult Education, Exploring Isaiah—Online
  - 10 a.m. Men’s Coffee—Online
  - 1 p.m. Women’s Bible Study—Schmidt Chapel
  - 5 p.m. Middle School Youth Group—Warwick Manse Backyard
  - 6:30 p.m. Junior High Youth Group—Warwick Manse
  - 7 p.m. Garden Side Chat with Bill Evertsberg—Online
- Thur., Oct. 8
- 6 a.m. Gratitude Daily Devotional—Online
  - 9:30 a.m. Women’s Reading Group—Warwick Manse Backyard
  - 9:30 a.m. Fall Faith Walks—Church Cloisters
- Fri., Oct. 9
- 6 a.m. Gratitude Daily Devotional—Online
- Sat., Oct. 10
- 6 a.m. Gratitude Daily Devotional—Online