



Kenilworth Union Church
Service of Worship
April 18, 2021
Third Sunday of Eastertide
9:30 a.m. Online
10:30 a.m. Sanctuary

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

Prelude

Symphonie V: Final

Louis Vierne

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

Let All Things Now Living

1. Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God our creator triumphantly raise;
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
By guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us; pure light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night:
Till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.

2. By law God enforces, the stars in their courses,
The sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration, a song let us raise,
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

Opening Prayer

Meditations of the Heart

Howard Thurman, 1899–1981

Open unto me - light for my darkness.
Open unto me - courage for my fear.
Open unto me - hope for my despair.
Open unto me - peace for my turmoil.
Open unto me - joy for my sorrow.
Open unto me - strength for my weakness.
Open unto me - wisdom for my confusion.
Open unto me - forgiveness for my sins.
Open unto me - tenderness for my toughness.
Open unto me - love for my hates.
Open unto me - Thy Self for my self.
Lord, Lord, open unto me.

Ministry of Music

There Is A Balm In Gilead

arr. Howard Helvey

This Spiritual was sung at Mary McLeod Bethune's memorial service in 1955.

There is a balm in Gilead
To make the wounded whole,

There is a balm in Gilead
To heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged
And think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit
Revives my soul again.

There is a balm in Gilead
To make the wounded whole,
There is a balm in Gilead
To heal the sin-sick soul.

If you cannot preach like Peter,
If you cannot pray like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus
And say, "He died for all."

There is a balm in Gilead
To make the wounded whole,
There is a balm in Gilead
To heal the sin-sick soul.

Recognition of Faithful Service

Prayers of the People

Thanksgivings and Intercessions

The 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

Minute for Mission

Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture and Sermon

4/18 Psalm 1

Shafts of Light, I: Mary McLeod Bethune

4/25 Psalm 27

Shafts of Light, II: Alexander Solzhenitsyn

5/2

Shafts of Light, III: Dietrich Bonhoeffer

5/9

Shafts of Light, IV: Corrie ten Boom

5/30

Shafts of Light, V: Anne Frank

6/6

Shafts of Light, VI: Anne Sullivan and Helen Keller

6/13

Shafts of Light, VII: Albert Schweitzer

6/20

Shafts of Light, VIII: Mother Teresa

6/27

Shafts of Light, IX: Václav Havel

7/4

Shafts of Light, X: Berlin Wird Mauerfrei

7/11

Shafts of Light, XI: Raoul Wallenbourg

7/18

Shafts of Light, XII: UNICEF

Closing Hymn

Life Every Voice and Sing

J. Rosamond Johnson

1. Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies;
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;

MILESTONE

Jackie Barnes' Memorial service will be held at Kenilworth Union Church livestream on Monday, April 19 at 2 p.m. Jackie's Celebration of Life Bulletin.

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

New Online Adult Education "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." Speaker Series begins tomorrow. The first in the series is jointly presented by our Green Team and Racial Justice Committee, featuring speakers from Faith in Place focusing on environmental justice. Speakers for Monday April 26 are from Youth Guidance who are working to repair issues in the community. Bill Evertsberg will close the series on Monday May 10 with Martin Luther King's Letter from Birmingham Jail. Registration is required.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shafts of Light in Word and Window: "For key insight into the character of an individual, a community, a business, or a church, ask about their heroes." Bill Evertsberg announces a new sermon series that features some of the stained glass in the Malott Chapel.

Outreach Benefit Fund Donation Link: We cannot get together this year and the need for services for these agencies is greater than ever. Thank you for your generosity.

Masks in Church: As a reminder, masks are required for all groups on campus at all times. As we move forward in the reopening process, we will continue to follow the state and federal guidelines as well as Jesus' command to love and care for our neighbors.

MEMBERSHIP

New Member Information: Interested in learning more about the mission and ministry of Kenilworth Union Church? We offer an online meeting tomorrow: Monday, April 19 from 7–9 p.m. New Member Commissioning is two weeks later Sunday, May 2.

WORSHIP

Mid-Day Prayer: Each week a new liturgy is offered livestream or in the Sanctuary at 12:15 p.m. We meet for 15 minutes to read scriptures and hear a brief reflection. On Tuesday, April 20 we will pray for the following Kenilworth Union families: Doug & Jennifer Dickerson, By & Sue Dickes, Liz Dickey, John & Marty Diener, Tanya Dietrich, Vincent Dina & Lois Stanley, John & Liz Dischner, John & Sharon Dixon, Bernie & Sally Dobroski, Paul Dobroski, Jack Doerge, Robin Blesi Doerge, Bob & Judy Dold, Bob & Danielle Dold, John & Nancy Dore, Jeff & Mindy Douthit, Don & Terry Dowd, Chris Downey, Stephen & Laura Doyle, Martha Drake.

Sunday Worship hours through May 23: 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship in the Memorial Garden, 9:30 a.m. Online Worship, and 10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary.

New Devotional—Immeasurably Immersed Spring Devotional from Katie Lancaster: The season of Easter is a fifty-day period that explores the mystery of Jesus' post-resurrection realities. which offers relief, hope, and a breath of fresh air.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Class 2022: Current 8th graders and older students are encouraged to start thinking about confirmation at Kenilworth Union Church next year. There are two course options for confirmation: The Wilderness Course that runs from July 31–August 6 or the Classroom Course that meets Sunday mornings beginning September 26.

ADULT EDUCATION

Online Bible Read Along—The Gospel According to John: All are invited to drop in as you are able to read selections from The Gospel of John. Join Christine V. Hides Wednesdays at 9:15 a.m. to explore art related to the scripture. **Past class recording can be found here.**

GREEN TEAM

Contemplation Quote: "The ultimate test of man's conscience may be his willingness to sacrifice something today for future generations whose words of thanks will not be heard." —Gaylord Nelson Founder of Earth Day

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY*

Hybrid (online and in-person) **Classes and Pathways for Spring:**

- Sundays: 9 a.m. *Family Chapel* outdoors weather permitting; 11 a.m. *Third Grade Bible Milestone*
- Tuesdays: 4 p.m. *Faith234* Register for spring group.
- Wednesdays: 5 p.m. *Middle School Youth Group* Register for spring group.

**for more information on Children and Family Ministry Programs please contact Greta Connor.*

Kindness Rocks Treasure Hunt at Kenilworth Union! Enjoy spring in the gardens at Kenilworth Union Church as you hunt for four clues that will lead you to find our kindness rocks—handmade by the Faith 234 and MSYG groups. The message on each rock inspires a new way to offer kindness.

Children's Day: Please join us online for this treasured tradition on Sunday, May 23 at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. to recognize the devoted work of our 3rd graders who have learned scripture by heart this challenging year.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Lisa Bond at the piano and Kelsey Sandefur soloist last week for all four Confirmation worship services. *Here I Am, Lord* from Danielle L. Schutte. Thank you for the gift of music!

YOUTH MINISTRY* Follow @kucyouth Instagram

Junior High Youth Group – JYG – meets in person on Wednesdays at 6 pm. through May: All 7th & 8th graders, regardless of church affiliation, are invited to join us for social-distance games and candle-time talks. Registration required.

High School Seniors/Class of 2021: Youth Sunday is May 16: 2021 is an extraordinary year and we plan to make this day special! For the very first time, Youth Sunday planning is being done by New Trier Senior, Eden Hunsader, as her senior project for school! Please reach out to Eden Hunsader to encourage her or offer support.

Seniors, sign up to share a message or read a prayer or scripture in worship.

Class of 2021 Slide Show—Photos Needed: If you have photos of your senior throughout the years at Kenilworth Union Church (e.g., baptism, pre-school, Sunday School, Confirmation), please email them to Eden Hunsader. Include name of the senior and brief description. Deadline to submit photos is Thursday, May 5!

**for more information on Youth Ministry Programs please contact Silvi Pirn.*

YOUTH SUPPORT

#mentalhealthmondays The Kenilworth Union staff is offering encouraging and practical help to support mental health in a series of posts on the @kucyouth Instagram appearing every Monday. Follow KUC Youth Instagram to get these encouraging messages!

KUC Cares is a group of teens who are here to support youth who are facing challenges. The challenges might be related to physical or mental health, or just emotional burden or distress. To get care for yourself or someone you know, complete this survey.

Support: Our staff can help youth find the support they need when facing life's challenges. We can meet one-on-one or in groups for pastoral care and direction. We can also help advocate for and find the resources locally to provide counseling and care each teen needs. Please reach out to Silvi Pirn.

We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

If you would like to learn more, please contact a Stephen Leader.

Care Guild Co-Leaders for April is Chris Beer.

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

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

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Minute for Mission

April 18, 2021

COVID-19 UPDATES

- Sun., April 18
- 5 a.m. A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
 - 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship—Memorial Garden
 - 9 a.m. Outdoor Family Chapel with Godly Play—Warwick Manse Backyard
 - 9:30 a.m. Online Worship—Livestream
 - 10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary—Sanctuary
 - 11 a.m. Hybrid Third Grade Bible Milestone—Online or Warwick Manse Backyard
 - 11 a.m. Online Gratitude Journaling—Online
 - 11:30 a.m. IMPACT Meeting—Warwick Manse
 - noon Choirs Rehearsal—Memorial, Jesus Statue, and Church Front Yard
 - 2 p.m. New Member Information Class—Culbertson Room
 - 7 p.m. IMPACT Meeting—Sanctuary & Culbertson Room
- Mon., April 19
- 5 a.m. A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
 - 2 p.m. Jackie Barnes' Memorial—Livestream
 - 7 p.m. Adult Education—*Environmental Justice: Connecting the Dots*—Online
 - 7 p.m. New Member Information Class—Online
- Tues., April 20
- 5 a.m. A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
 - 9 a.m. Mid-Day Prayer—In-House and Livestream
 - 12:15 p.m. Faith234—Warwick Manse Front Yard
 - 4 p.m. Junior Bell Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
 - 4:30 p.m. Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
 - 7 p.m. 21+ Theology on Tap—Online
- Wed., April 21
- 5 a.m. A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
 - 9:15 a.m. Online Bible Read Along The Gospel According to John—Online
 - 10 a.m. Men's Coffee—Online
 - 12:45 p.m. Women's Bible Study—Centennial Room
 - 2 p.m. Knitting Ministry—Online
 - 5 p.m. Middle School Youth Group—Warwick Manse Front Yard
 - 6 p.m. Junior High Youth Group—Warwick Manse
- Thur., April 22
- 5 a.m. A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
 - Women's Reading Group—Culbertson Room
- Fri., April 23
- 5 a.m. A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
- Sat., April 24
- 5 a.m. A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online