

Kenilworth Union Church Service of Worship May 9, 2021 Sixth Sunday of Eastertide 9:30 a.m. Online 10:30 a.m. Sanctuary

CONNECT TO WORSHIP at 9:30 a.m.

PreludeSuite Gothique: Prière à Notre-Dame (Prayer for Our Lady)Léon BoëllmannHow Firm a Foundationarr. Douglas Wagner10:30 a.m.

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn We Gather Together #559

1. We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens his will to make known; The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing, Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

2. Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, Ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine; So from the beginning the fight we were winning; Thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!

3. We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,

And pray that thou still our defender wilt be.

Let thy congregation escape tribulation;

Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

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

Lord, I Want to Be A Christian

arr. Douglas Wagner

9:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Institution and Presentation

Baptismal Song Betty Jacobson

Covenant of Parents and Congregation

Christening

Presentation of the Light of Christ

Benediction

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 Congregational Care 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	Psalm 74	Shafts of Light, III: Dietrich Bonhoeffer
5/9	Psalm 46	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

Because You Live, O Christ

1. Because you live, O Christ,

The garden of the world has come to flower;

The darkness of the tomb is flooded

With your resurrection power.

The stone has rolled away and death cannot imprison!

O sing this Easter day, for Jesus Christ has risen, has risen, has risen, has risen

2. Because you live, O Christ,

The spirit bird of hope is freed for flying;

Our cages of despair no longer

Keep us closed and life-denying.

The stone has rolled away and death cannot imprison!

O sing this Easter day, for Jesus Christ has risen, has risen, has risen, has risen!

3. Because you live, O Christ,

The rainbow of your peace will span creation;

The colors of your love

Will draw all humankind to adoration.

The stone has rolled away and death cannot imprison!

O sing this Easter day, for Jesus Christ has risen, has risen, has risen, has risen!

Postlude Toccata Léon Boëllmann

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Plate Offering

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Worship Notes

Howard Thurman, author of the Opening Prayer for the Easter Season, was a Christian prophetic mystic and pastor for the Civil Rights Movement. Dr. King famously carried with him wherever he went a Bible, a copy of the constitution and a copy of Howard Thurman's book, "Jesus and the Disinherited." Thurman introduced Gandhi to King. In 1953 Time Magazine listed Thurman as one of America's twelve greatest preachers of the century. Among other jobs, he served as chaplain though out his career at Morehouse, Spelman, Howard and Brown Universities. It was at Mary McLeod Bethune's funeral that Thurman preached, calling her a "shaft of light," the inspiration for our sermon series title.

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PARTICIPANTS:

Adult Bell Choir

Beth Adamoli, Minute for Congregational Care

Ryan Belongie, Associate Director of Children's and Bell Choirs

Joel Fox, Audio and Video

Christine Hides, Associate Minister for Discipleship, Liturgist

David Honoré, Hymn Soloist

Susan Klotzbach, Organist

Katie Snipes Lancaster, Senior Associate Minister, Preacher

Matt Leske, Audio and Video

Ushers, Beth Adamoli, Don Farnsworth, Jim Fritz

10:30 a.m.

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Congregational Care 2021

On Congregational Care Sunday, we would like to recognize everyone who is part of a Congregational Care committee or group.

Congregational Care Committee

Ann Carey, At-Large Melanie Earle, Care Guild Cooks Don Farnsworth, Caring Connections Marion Hanold, Chair Martha Hoza, Prayer Circle Bonnie McColl, Knitting Ministry Katie Nahrwold, Care Guild Sallie Smith, Fellowship Katie White, Stephen Ministry

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Katie White
Roger Winship

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Mid-Day Prayer

Jim BinnallLester KnightBob EmersonBill RaubJohn HalesRalph SmithMarion HanoldSallie SmithBecky KnightJudith Wentz

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Care Guild

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Stacy Dale	Darlene Landsittel	Cindi Ross	

Please be advised that every effort is made to create a complete list of our Congregational Care.

We apologize in advance for any errors or omissions.

MILESTONES

The congregation celebrates the April 25 birth of Ruth Poor Rifkin, daughter of Brad Rifkin and Priscilla Poor, and granddaughter of King and Hope Poor.

We welcome to baptism today at the 9:30 a.m. worship Frederick David Hoffmann, son of Gregory and Elizabeth Hoffmann.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Step up to the Plate Offering: Learn more about this campaign, watch a video from Wrigley Field, or simply gift your offering below the video.

Congregational Care is a network, a web, an intentional body of support. It is how we are "the Body of Christ" called to the work of healing, prayer, and tender love. There are so many people who make Congregational Care click into gear: church members, volunteers, pastors, church staff. Learn how to find support and when to call a minister in Katie Lancaster's Blog.

Needed: Your Input! In the 2021 Congregational Assessment: Your response will shape meaningful ministry in the months ahead. Only about 3 minutes of your time to make a difference. Last day to participate is this Friday, May 14. **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." Learn about Kenilworth Union Church's heroes from a sermon series that features the Malott Chapel stained glass windows.

Masks in Church: Mask wearing has been updated for outdoor worship and events. 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.

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, May 11 we will pray for the following Kenilworth Union families: John & Jill Fix, John & Linda Fix, Bill & Joan Flader, Vandy Fleming, Laurie Flentye, Linda Flentye, Patty Flentye, Tim & Kristin Flentye, Andrew & Katie Florig, Kevin & Melanie Flynn, Mike & Susan Flynn, Christopher & Kristen Folland, Bill & Sue Folland, Andrew & Lucy Folland, John & Dee Fortson, Mike & Molly Foster, Scott & Maria Fowkes, Margaret Ann Fowler, Sherry Fowler, and Todd & Justine Fowler.

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.

Special Worship Sundays Worship Schedules

Youth Sunday, May 16 with Youth Sermons

No 8:30 worship

9:30 a.m. Livestream Youth Ministry Worship

10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary is reserved for Youth Ministry and

Junior Bell Choir families

1 p.m. Outdoor Worship

Children and Family Sunday, May 23

8:30 Outdoor Worship with Pentecost Sermon

9:30 Livestream Children's Worship

10:30 Livestream Children's Worship

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Tomorrow evening, May 10: Martin Luther King's Letter from Birmingham Jail Bill Evertsberg will lead a discussion of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr's. famous letter. All of the three-part speaker series will be organized around a quotation from this letter: "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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.

OUTREACH

WINGS Pickup Monday, May 10 through Friday, May 14: Good news! If you saved up things for Rummage and now have nowhere to donate them, help is on the way. Thanks to a renewed partnership between Kenilworth Union Church and WINGS (one of the Church's Outreach agencies), you can arrange to have WINGS pick up donations from your porch in early May!

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.

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. The 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship will be family friendly with a Pentecost sermon from the Reverend Christine V. Hides.

Family Camping Weekend Friday, July 30–Sunday, August 1: Families with children ages birth–6th grade (older siblings welcome!) are invited for a weekend of camping, time outdoors, campfires, and outdoor worship at Potawatomi State Park near Door County, WI.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Last Sunday Susan Klotzbach on organ and soloist Miya Higashiyama opened with *Now Thank We All Our God* and Jonathan Wilson, soloist sings *If You But Trust In God To Guide You*. 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.

Youth Sunday is next Sunday, May 16: Special worship times: No 8:30 worship, 9:30 a.m. Livestream Youth Ministry Worship, 10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary is reserved for Youth Ministry and Junior Bell Choir families, 1 p.m. Outdoor Worship in the Memorial Garden with a reception to follow.

*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.

CAREERS

Administrative Assistant reports to the Senior Associate Minister and Director of Business Operations: Supports and assists the Senior Associate Minister and Associate Minister of Discipleship in all areas of their work and has proven experience as a database administer. Please send resume and cover letter to Katie Lancaster and John Sharp.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sixth Sunday of Easter Congregational Care Sunday May 9, 2021 COVID-19 UPDATES

Sun., May 9	5 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 2:15 p.m.	A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online Outdoor Worship—canceled due to rain Online Worship wtih Baptism—Livestream Worship in the Sanctuary—Sanctuary All Youth Choirs Rehearsal—Jesus Courtyard
Mon., May 10	5 a.m.	A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
	7 p.m.	RJC Adult Ed with Bill Evertsberg—Online
Tues., May 11	5 a.m.	A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
	9 a.m.	Day by Day Quote Pulling—Lower Level Conference Room
	12:15 p.m.	Mid-Day Prayer—In-House and Livestream
	3:15 p.m.	Junior Bell Choir I Rehearsal—Sanctuary
	4 p.m.	Faith234—Warwick Manse Front Yard
	4:30 p.m.	Junior Bell Choir II Rehearsal—Sanctuary
	6:30 p.m.	Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
	7 p.m.	Depression Support Group—Online
Wed., May 12	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
	5 p.m.	Middle School Youth Group—Warwick Manse Front Yard
	6 p.m.	Junior High Youth Group—Warwick Manse
Thur., May 13	5 a.m.	A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
•	9:30 a.m.	Women's Reading Group—Culbertson Room
Fri., May 14	5 a.m.	A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
	8 a.m.	ATS Gift Packing—Culbertson Room
Sat., May 15	5 a.m.	A Spring Devotional: Immeasurably Immersed—Online
	noon	ATS Gift Packing—Culbertson Room

We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

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

Care Guild Co-Leaders for May is Chris Beer To let us know where help is needed, call Care Guild at (847)853-3534