



Kenilworth Union Church
Service of Worship
July 4, 2021
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship
10 a.m. Sanctuary Worship

CONNECT TO WORSHIP at 10 a.m.

Prelude

Gabriel's Oboe
There is a Happy Land

Ennio Morricone
 George Shearing

10 a.m.

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

CELEBRATING TIME

667 When Morning Gilds the Skies

1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing
2 Does sad - ness fill my mind? A so - lace here I
3 Let earth's wide cir - cle round in joy - ful notes re -
4 Be this, while life is mine, my can - ti - cle di -

cries: may Je - sus Christ be praised! A -
find: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Or
sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let
vine: may Je - sus Christ be praised! Be

like at work and prayer to Je - sus I re -
fades my earth - ly bliss? My com - fort still is
air and sea and sky from depth to height re -
this the e - ter - nal song through all the a - ges

pair: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
this: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
ply: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
long: may Je - sus Christ be praised!

This is not just a morning hymn, though this excerpt from an English translation of an early 19th-century German text may not convey how thoroughly the original deals with different kinds of time throughout the day. The tune was composed as a setting for this English text.

TEXT: German hymn, c. 1800; trans. Edward Caswall, 1853, 1858, alt.
MUSIC: Joseph Barnby, 1868

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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

America the Beautiful

Samuel A. Ward, arr. John Ness Beck

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties, above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine!

(Congregation joins in singing)

**O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years.
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea!**

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.**

Welcome and Announcements

Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination

10 a.m.

Ministry of Music*I Vow to Thee My Country*

Gustav Holst

10 a.m.

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
 Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love;
 The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
 That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
 The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
 The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
 Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
 We may not count her armies, we may not see her king;
 Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
 And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
 And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.

Scripture and Sermon

4/18	Psalm 1	<i>Shafts of Light, I: Mary McLeod Bethune</i>
4/25	Psalm 27	<i>Shafts of Light, II: Alexander Solzhenitsyn</i>
5/2	Psalm 74	<i>Shafts of Light, III: Dietrich Bonhoeffer</i>
5/9	Psalm 46	<i>Shafts of Light, IV: Corrie ten Boom</i>
5/30	Psalm 118	<i>Shafts of Light, V: Anne Frank</i>
6/6	Psalm 146	<i>Shafts of Light, VI: Anne Sullivan and Helen Keller</i>
6/13	Psalm 103	<i>Shafts of Light, VII: Albert Schweitzer</i>
6/20	Psalm 40	<i>Shafts of Light, VIII: Mother Teresa</i>
6/27	Psalm 119	<i>Shafts of Light, IX: Václav Havel</i>
7/4	Psalm 130	<i>Shafts of Light, X: Berlin Wird Mauerfrei</i>
7/11		<i>Shafts of Light, XI: Raoul Wallenberg</i>
7/18		<i>Shafts of Light, XII: UNICEF</i>

Closing Hymn

THE LIFE OF THE NATIONS

339 Lift Every Voice and Sing

1 Lift ev - ery voice and sing till earth and heav - en
2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - tening
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

ring, ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -
rod, felt in the days when hope un - born had
tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the

ty. Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - tening
died. Yet, with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry
way; thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the

skies; let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
feet come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?
light, keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Initially a poem for a school assembly at which Booker T. Washington spoke on Lincoln's birthday in 1900, this text and tune have gained national recognition and devotion, not only within the African American community, but also among all who seek liberation from oppression.

TEXT: James Weldon Johnson, 1900
MUSIC: J. Rosamond Johnson, 1905

LIFT EVERY VOICE
Irregular

Benediction

Postlude

“The Rejoicing” from *Royal Fireworks Music*

G.F. Handel

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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:

Lisa Bond, Minister of Music

Chancel Choir

William Evertsberg, Senior Minister, Liturgist

Joel Fox, Audio and Video

10 a.m.

Todd Gresick, Guest Keyboardist, Organist

Eden Hunsader, Audio

8:30 a.m.

Katie Snipes Lancaster, Senior Associate Minister, Preacher

Matt Leske, Audio and Video

10 a.m.

Ushers, Beth Adamoli, Jim Fritz

Jonathan Wilson, Soloist

10 a.m.

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Milestone

We extend the sympathy of the congregation to the family of David and David Seibel upon the death of David's wife and David's mother, Barbara Seibel on June 28. Her memorial service will be held at Kenilworth Union Church in the Sanctuary on Saturday, July 17 at 10:30 a.m. with a reception immediately following in the Culbertson Room.

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[Click here for Plate Offering](#)

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NEWS AND ANOUNCEMENTS

Don't miss muffins and ice cream on Summer Sundays: Our “summer together” is officially in full swing and we have a fun new addition: Summer Sundays! Each week during coffee hour following the 8:30 and 10 a.m. worship services, we'll offer something special to celebrate each other—and observe some of the more obscure summer holidays.

- July 11, National Blueberry Muffin Day
- July 18, National Ice Cream Day
- July 25, National Parents Day

Some other family-friendly events on the horizon include Prayer, Praise, and Painting on July 11 and 18, and the chance to kick back with church staff at a kids' concert on July 21. Visit our [Summer Together](#) page for more details and events. See you soon!

DOES GOD EXIST? Want to find out? Or offer your opinion? In September, Bill Evertsberg will begin a new study group to look at Hans Küng's 1980 theological tour de force *Does God Exist?* It's not for the faint of heart, but if you want to join a small group of other Kenilworth Union seekers, contact Bill to let him know of your interest of joining the *Skeptics & Believers* group. We'll meet monthly and take six or eight sessions to get through the book, taking turns moderating the discussion. Let Bill know if you prefer evening or daytime.

Step up to the Plate Offering Campaign: With gratitude for the anonymous donor who inspired the Offering Campaign, we are delighted to share—you knocked it out of the park!

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. Next Sunday Bill Evertsberg will be in the Pulpit preaching on Raoul Wallenberg.

July 11: Blueberry Muffin Day: Join us during coffee hour July 11 for muffins following the 8:30 or 10 a.m. worship services to recognize Bev Kirk's “Blueberry Muffin Ministry” on National Blueberry Muffin Day!

Kenilworth Avenue Resurfacing Update: For the next few months, Kenilworth Avenue will periodically be closed westbound from Leicester to the fountain. Please plan accordingly.

Current COVID Protocols

WORSHIP

Sunday Worship: †8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship †10 a.m. Livestream and in-person Worship in the Sanctuary.

Independence Day Observed: Monday, July 5 Offices are closed in observance of the 4th.

Mid-Day Prayer: Each week a new liturgy is offered in the Sanctuary at 12:15 p.m. We meet for 15 minutes to read scriptures and hear a brief reflection. On Tuesday, July 6 we will pray for the following Kenilworth Union families: Steve Hoopes, Mark & Julie Hosfield, Jaylee House, Steve & Nikki Householder, Laurie Howick, Patrick & Margaret Hoyt, Peter & Peggy Hoyt, Carrie Hoza, Martha Hoza, Philip & Lucy Hoza, Stewart Hudnut, Jeff Hudson & Joslyn Blokell, Brad & Carrie Hughes, Chuck Hughson, Kayi Hummel, Tiffany Hunsader, Carol Hunt, Linda Huntington, William & Melinda Hurley, and Richard & Stacie Immesberger.

Daily Devotional from Katie Lancaster: A new project called *Openings: 100 Days of Prayer* focuses on prayers from Christian Mystics across the ages, wondering how this year's re-opening of our common life (after the many restrictions of pandemic life) might co-mingle with our own spiritual opening to the presence of God.

Prayer Archive: At Kenilworth Union Church the Pastoral Prayer's title is *Prayers of the People* and is authored and delivered by the liturgist every Sunday at divine worship. The prayer contains thanksgivings, supplications, and intercessions that are current spiritual needs of the church, the community, the nation, and globally. This popular prayer is posted weekly to pray sincerely in hopes to offer comfort to the people being prayed for as well as the person praying.

Past Sermons are available here.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Chancel Choir is in the Chancel! Last Sunday Music Ministry brought us *Offertory* from John Ness Beck and *This Is My Song* from Jean Sibelius, Kelsey Sandefur, Soloist. Thank you for the gift of music!

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Stephen Ministry: Do you know someone who would benefit from Stephen Ministry? Those going through a difficult time—whether the loss of a loved one, job challenges, health concerns, relationships, or adjusting to a new environment—would benefit from the confidential relationship with a trained Stephen Minister. More information about Stephen Ministry is on our website or through conversation with Katie Lancaster or any of our Stephen Ministry Leaders.

FELLOWSHIP

Kenilworth Union Bridge: This is Intermediate fun bridge and Table Progressive (without partners). Men and women meet weekly on Mondays from 1–3 p.m. in the Culbertson Room beginning June 21. Contact Diane Kirts or Barbie Missimer for a seat at a table.

Mah Jongg: Meet for lessons and play on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Warwick Manse. Due to construction on Kenilworth Ave, Warwick may have no parking. Please plan accordingly. Contact Martha Hoza for more information.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Class 2022: Current 8th graders and older students are encouraged to start thinking about confirmation at Kenilworth Union Church next year. The Classroom Course meets Sunday mornings beginning September 26.

ADULT EDUCATION

Hybrid Bible Read Along—Selected Psalms: All are invited to drop in as you are able both in the Centennial Room or online to explore the poetry of the Psalms. Join Christine V. Hides Wednesdays at 9:15 a.m.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY*

Prayer Praise and Painting Summer Family Faith Time Drop in, no registration necessary, Sundays, July 11 & 18 at 9:15–9:45 a.m. Families meet in the church front yard to learn about the inspirational people and then paint collaboratively.

Superhero Art Camp: Not all Superheroes wear capes! This camp focuses on people from the past or present who inspire us by being “the helpers”. Join one or both sessions beginning at the end of July.

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.

Well-Being: A collection of newsletters from Christine V. Hides with tips of well-being for re-entering the new normal. This week is *Have emotions in your house intensified?* from Christine.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Summer Events: Youth Ministry has a calendar full of events and service opportunities to fill your summer with feel good projects!

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 résumé and cover letter to Katie Lancaster and John Sharp.

We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

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

Care Guild Leader for July is Katie Nahrwold.

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

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Independence Day
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COVID-19 UPDATES

Sun., July 4	5 a.m.	Openings: 100 Days of Prayer Devotional
	8:30 a.m.	Outdoor Worship—Memorial Garden
	10 a.m.	Worship in the Sanctuary—In-house and Livestream
Mon., July 5		Offices closed in observance of Independence Day
	5 a.m.	Openings: 100 Days of Prayer Devotional
Tues., July 6	5 a.m.	Openings: 100 Days of Prayer Devotional
	9:30 a.m.	Mah Jongg—Warwick Manse
	12:15 p.m.	Mid-Day Prayer—Livestream and Sanctuary
	1 p.m.	Caste Book Group, Connell—Off Site
	6 p.m.	Caste Book Group, Johnson—Memorial Garden
	7 p.m.	Caste Book Group, Peterson/Meyers—Online
Wed., July 7	5 a.m.	Openings: 100 Days of Prayer Devotional
	9:15 a.m.	Hybrid Bible Read Along: Psalms—Centennial Room/Online
	10 a.m.	Hybrid Men's Coffee—Library/Online
	7 p.m.	Caste Book Group, Kirk—Off Site
Thur., July 8	5 a.m.	Openings: 100 Days of Prayer Devotional
	6:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal—Transept
Fri., July 9	5 a.m.	Openings: 100 Days of Prayer Devotional
Sat., July 10	5 a.m.	Openings: 100 Days of Prayer Devotional

Summer Together at Kenilworth Union Church: There are so many ways we can enjoy summer together at Kenilworth Union. From after-worship fellowship on the front lawn (complete with cookies and yard games), to book clubs, to Children and Family Ministry's praise painting and more, you may be surprised by how much we have going on.