



Kenilworth Union Church
Service of Worship
February 27, 2022
Transfiguration of the Lord
8:30 and 10 a.m. Sanctuary Worship
CONNECT TO WORSHIP at 10 a.m.

Prelude

Alone to God in the highest be Glory

J.S. Bach

Call to Worship

***Opening Hymn**

Sing of God Made Manifest



1 Sing of God made man - i - fest in a child ro - bust and blest,
 2 Sing of God made man - i - fest when at Jor - dan John con - fessed,
 3 Sing of God made man - i - fest when Christ came as wed - ding guest
 4 Sing of God made man - i - fest on the cloud - capped moun - tain's crest,



to whose home in Beth - le - hem where a star had guid - ed them,
 "I should be bap - tized by you, but your bid - ding I will do."
 and at Ca - na gave a sign, turn - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 where the law and proph - ets waned so that Christ a - lone re - mained:



ma - gi came and gifts un - bound, signs mys - te - rious and pro - found:
 Then from heaven a dou - ble sign—dove - like Spir - it, voice di - vine—
 fur - ther still was love re - vealed as he taught, for - gave, and healed,
 glimpse of glo - ry, pledge of grace, given as Je - sus set his face



myrrh and frank - in - cense and gold grave and God and king fore - told.
 hailed the true A - noint - ed One: "This is my be - lov - ed Son."
 bring - ing light and life to all who would lis - ten to God's call.
 towards the wait - ing cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.



Opening Prayer

God of all time and space, we give you thanks and praise for revealing your truth and yourself to us. Transforming spirit, who awakened Jesus' disciples on the mountaintop, awaken us here that we might discern your calling and claim on our lives. Grant us the faith to perceive Christ's glory, revealed in his transfiguration, that being strengthened by his grace we may become more like him, changed from glory into glory, discerning in him your truth to us and to the world. Amen.

Ministry of Music

Gracious God You Send Great Blessings

arr. Richard Gieseke

Gracious God, you send great blessings
New each morning all our days.
For your mercies never ending,
For your love we offer praise.

Refrain

Lord, we pray that we, your people
Who your gifts unnumbered claim,
Through the sharing of your blessings
May bring glory to your name.

By your word you formed creation
Filled with creatures large and small;
As we tend that endless treasure
May our care encircle all. *Refrain*

In his earthly life, our savior
Knew the care of faithful friends;
May our deeds of dedication
Offer love that never ends. *Refrain*

Heav'nly father, may our caring
Bear the imprint of your grace;
With the son and holy spirit,
Praise be yours in ev'ry place! *Refrain*

Welcome and Announcements

Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

10 a.m.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture and Sermon

The Impossible Possibility for an Impossible Time

1/9 Luke 3:15–22

Baptism by Fire

1/16 Luke 4:14–31

Free at Last!

1/23 John 2:1–11

In Every Glass of Common Water, Hints of Garnet-Gold

1/30 Luke 5:1–11

That Mirror of Strange Glories

2/6 Luke 5:27–39

A Whisper Will Be Heard

2/13 Luke 6:17–26

Posse Ipsum

2/20 Luke 6:27–38

The Church of Not Being Horrible

2/27 Luke 9:28–36

Mountains Beyond Mountains

Ministry of Music

Jesus on the Mountain Peak

Michael Burkhardt

Jesus, on the mountain peak,
Stands alone in glory blazing.
Let us, if we dare to speak,
Join the saints and angels praising:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Trembling at his feet we saw
Moses and Elijah speaking.
All the prophets and the law
Shout through them their joyful greeting:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Swift the cloud of glory came,
God, proclaiming in its thunder,
Jesus as the son by name!
Nations, cry aloud in wonder;
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus is the chosen one,
Living hope of ev'ry nation,
Hear and heed him, ev'ryone;
Sing, with earth and all creation,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Celebration of the Eucharist

Invitation to the Table

Sursum Corda

Lector: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Lector: Lift up your hearts to the Lord.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Lector: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

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.

Choral Response

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Please partake of the elements when you are able at the chancel stairs.

The communion elements are alcohol- and gluten-free.

Communion Anthem

Thee We Adore

Ralph Johnson

Thee we adore, O hidden savior, thee,
Who in thy sacrament art pleased to be;
Both flesh and spirit in thy presence fail,
Yet here thy presence we devoutly hail.

Fountain of goodness, Jesus, Lord, and God,
Cleanse us, unclean, with thy most cleansing blood;
Increase our faith and love, that we may know
The hope and peace which from thy presence flow.

O Christ, whom now beneath a veil we see,
May what we thirst for soon our portion be,
To gaze on thee unveiled, and see thy face,
The vision of thy glory and thy grace.

Prayer of Consecration

***Closing Hymn**

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory



1 Swift - ly pass the clouds of glo - ry, heav - en's voice, the
2 Glimpsed and gone the rev - e - la - tion, they shall gain and
3 Lord, trans-fig - ure our per - cep - tion with the pur - est

(Gm) (A7) (Dm) (Gm) (A7)
Bbm C7 Fm Bbm C7



daz - zling light; Mo - ses and E - li - jah van - ish;
keep its truth, not by build - ing on the moun - tain
light that shines, and re - cast our life's in - ten - tions

(Dm) (A7) (Dm) (D) (Bm)
Fm C7 Fm F Dm



Christ a - lone com - mands the height! Pe - ter, James, and
an - y shrine or sa - cred booth, but by fol - low -
to the shape of your de - signs, till we seek no

(Em) (A7) (D) (Bm) (Em) (A7) (D)
Gm C7 F Dm Gm C7 F



John fall si - lent, turn - ing from the sum - mit's rise down - ward
ing the Sav - ior through the val - ley to the cross and by
oth - er glo - ry than what lies past Cal - vary's hill and our

(Bm) (Em) (A7) (D) (Bm) (D) (A7) (D)
Dm Gm C7 F Dm F C7 F



toward the shad - owed val - ley where their Lord has fixed his eyes.
test - ing faith's re - sil - ience through be - tray - al, pain, and loss.
liv - ing and our dy - ing and our ris - ing by your will.

***Benediction**

Postlude

Toccata in C Major

J.S. Bach

Please stand as you are able

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WORSHIP NOTE

During Epiphany of 2022, from Christmas to Lent, the Revised Common Lectionary is following the Gospels of Luke and John as the Evangelists trace episodes from the early ministry of Jesus. Notice how the four stanzas of *Sing of God Made Manifest*, our Opening Hymn, sort of serve as Jesus' compact *Curriculum Vitae*. Each verse recites a Jesus story (Magi, Baptism, Wedding of Cana, and Transfiguration) by which Jesus' glory, his extraterrestrial otherness, is revealed to the world gradually but definitively as he makes his way from Bethlehem to Calvary. Kings attend his birth; a celestial voice and a sacred dove sweep down upon the River Jordan; he turns common well water into splendid wine; and his visage shines ethereally on the Holy Mountain. Episcopal priest Carl Daw (b. 1944) may be America's greatest contemporary hymnologist. By my own quick, unscientific survey, it looks like he's contributed about 100 compositions to English hymnals. He earned degrees at Rice University, the University of Virginia, and the University of the South, and now teaches at Boston University.

PARTICIPANTS:

Audio and Video, Lilly Hunsader, Kevin Kemp, Eric Tran Ton
Ryan Belongie, Assistant Director of Rejoice and Bell Choirs
Alyssa Bennett, Assistant Director of Choirs
Lisa Bond, Minister of Music

Chancel Choir

William Evertsberg, Senior Minister, Preacher
Joel Fox, Director of Media Production

Junior Bell Choir

Christine Hides, Associate Minister for Discipleship, Liturgist 8:30 a.m.
Eun Joo Ju, Organist
Katie Snipes Lancaster, Senior Associate Minister, Liturgist 10 a.m.
KUC Youth Choir

**CHILDREN
AND FAMILY
MINISTRY
GREETER**
Diana Connolly

**FRONT DESK
GREETER**
Kathryn Freemond

**USHERS
8:30 a.m.**
Andy Bond

**USHERS
10 a.m.**
Andy Bond
Peter Alshouse
Sarah Alshouse
Andy Worth
Lila Worth

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FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given in memory of Sumner Rahr by his family, the Rahrs, Winships, and Hodges.

Worship Flower Sponsors Needed: Several dates are available to decorate our altar throughout the year on Sundays during 2022. The flowers will be recognized in the Sunday bulletin in honor or memory of a loved one, in celebration of a milestone, in thanksgiving of friends, or all for the glory of God! Please contact [Sandy Wells](#) to be part of this important ministry.

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[Click here for Plate Offering](#)

Remember to select "Plate Offering" from dropdown menu.

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Masking: In anticipation of the statewide masking order lifting on Monday, February 28, the Church Reopening Team met to recommend updated Church COVID protocols to the Executive Committee.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 2 with Worship for All Ages at 4 p.m. and Traditional Worship at 7:30 p.m.

Lent in Your Backyard Devotional: The season of Lent may be a time to give something up; it may also be a time to look at something anew. The Kenilworth Union Church Adult Educational Committee and its Green Team invite you to join them for six weekly devotionals, beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 2, focusing on how we are called to be good stewards of God's Creation. Each week's devotional will be posted on the website and shared in the eNews. The devotionals contain invitations to read, reflect, pray, and take positive steps to be good stewards of the earth. Discover how caring for God's Creation may begin in your own home or backyard.

Lent Bible Read Along: Drop in as you can with [Christine Hides](#) for Bible study on Wednesdays—online and in person. We will use the scripture text from current sermon series the Sunday prior. To view the scripture lessons in advance, [please visit the website.](#)

Lent in Plain Sight: Our preachers will begin a Lenten Sermon Series called *Lent in Plain Sight*, the title of a book by Jill J. Duffield, a Presbyterian minister from Charlottesville, Virginia. Each week we'll reflect on a common object that is important in our daily lives and in the story of Jesus' Passion.

Lent and Easter Calendar

March 2

Ash Wednesday — Dust — Genesis 2:4–9

Worship for All Ages 4 p.m.

Traditional Worship 7:30 p.m.*

March 6

First Sunday in Lent — Bread — Ecclesiastes 11:1–6

Worship in the Sanctuary 8:30 and 10 a.m.*

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

March 13

Second Sunday in Lent — Coins — Matthew 26:1–5, 14–16

Worship in the Sanctuary 8:30 and 10 a.m.*

The World Jesus Knew 9–11 a.m.

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

March 20

Third Sunday in Lent — Shoes — Ephesians 6:14–15

Worship in the Sanctuary 8:30 and 10 a.m.*

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

March 27

Fourth Sunday in Lent — Thorns — Matthew 27:27–31

Worship in the Sanctuary 8:30 and 10 a.m.*

April 3

Fifth Sunday in Lent — Cross — Matthew 27:32–44

Worship in the Sanctuary 8:30 and 10 a.m.*

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

April 10

Palm Sunday — Oil — Matthew 21:1–11; 26:6–13

Worship in the Memorial Garden 8:30 a.m.

Worship in the Sanctuary with Palm Waving and Donkey Processional 10 a.m.*

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

April 14

Maundy Thursday with Communion — Towel — John 13:1–20

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary 7:30 p.m.*

April 17

Easter Sunday — Stones — Matthew 28:1–15

Sunrise Worship at Elder Lane Park 6:30 a.m.

Worship in the Memorial Garden 8:30 a.m.

Worship in the Sanctuary 10 a.m.*

*Livestream

Daily Lenten Devotional: The 40 days of Lent prepare us to receive the story of Easter. We are made ready by the journey, day by day laying the groundwork for transformation. In the season of Lent, we draw near to the story of Jesus' life in order to hold the mystery of his death, resurrection and promises of new life. Christine Hides and Katie Lancaster will offer a Lenten devotional called *Circle the Stories: Parables of the Great Parabler*. They circled all the parables in the Gospel of Luke, in which Jesus offers 38 different tangible, mystery-laden (mystic?) stories of everyday objects and human encounters that push us to see the divine in life-transforming ways. Sign up to receive this daily devotional in your email inbox or follow along on social media.

Exploring Membership at Kenilworth Union Church: The March 6 membership class will be held 2–3:30 p.m. in the Culbertson Room; the March 7 class will be from 7–8:30 p.m. online. Only one class is needed as they are both the same. New Member Commissioning is the following Sunday, March 13 at the 10 a.m. worship service. Please contact Bruce Linger or Katie Snipes Lancaster for more information.

Save the Date for Outreach Benefit 2022: On April 29, the Outreach Committee will hold an in-person benefit at Michigan Shores Club in support of Kenilworth Union's Outreach agencies. We are looking for one more co-chair to work alongside Benefit co-chair Julie Danilek, as well as volunteers for the Benefit Committee. For more information, contact Julie or Outreach co-chairs Chris Cole and Mike Revord.

WORSHIP

Mid-Day Prayer: Each week a new liturgy is offered in the Sanctuary and online at 12:15 p.m. We meet for 15 minutes to read scriptures and hear a brief reflection. On Tuesday, March 1 we will pray for the following Kenilworth Union families: Brit and Marilyn Bartter; Dan and Jean Basse; Linda Bates; Ron and Cindy Baur; John and Pamela Baylor; John Beam; Ruthie Beam; Philip and Janice Beck; Roger and Nancy Beckwith; Matt and Chris Beer; Mary Bellamy; Alyssa Bennett; Jeff and Kristie Bennett; Kell and Jackie Benson; Laura Bergman; Kelley and Joan Bergstrom; Brad and Suzette Bernstein; Carol Berry; John Berry; Barbara Besant.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Care Connection: When circumstances arrive in life that preclude someone from engaging in the life of the church through in-person gatherings or worship and yet the fellowship of the congregation remains vital, we connect members together through cards, phone calls, and visits when possible. Care Connections celebrate the enduring thread that binds us together through the church. **Volunteer:** One of the easiest and best ways to bring a smile is to send a short note of encouragement, happiness, and love to our members who are homebound and no longer able to attend. If interested in serving on Care Connections or if you know of a member who would value the outreach, please contact Dayle Lively or Katie Lancaster.

ADULT EDUCATION

Registration is Open for the Creative Wellness Series: Mignon Dupepe is leading a second creative wellness course, Cocoon on Tuesday, March 8 in the Culbertson Room at 7 p.m. Please register early.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY*

Lent Kits Available: If you are looking for ways to establish Lenten traditions with your family, or are simply interested in learning more about Lent, please sign up to receive a Lent Kit. Please email Greta Connor for your free kit (one per family).

March 2: Ash Wednesday Worship for All Ages + Combined Faith 234 & MSYG: At 4 p.m. there will be a simple service with ashes in the sanctuary, appropriate for children and people of all ages. Combined Faith234 and MSYG will follow Ash Wednesday worship, ending at 6 p.m.

Faith234 for Second–Fourth Graders meets on Wednesdays from 4–5 p.m. Reconnect with your friends with games, creative activities, and prayer! We will meet in the Warwick Manse to sign in and the adventure will begin in church. Wear masks and be socially distanced.

Middle School Youth Group (MSYG) for Fifth–Sixth Graders meets on Wednesdays at 5 p.m. Reconnect with your friends with games, creative activities, and prayer! We will meet in the Warwick Manse to sign in and the adventure will begin in church. Wear masks and be socially distanced.

Vacation Bible School Registration is Now Open! Welcome to our Great Big Beautiful World! June 13–16 from 4–6 p.m. for rising Kindergarten through Fourth Graders. A great opportunity for fun, faith, and fellowship!

The World Jesus Knew: On Sunday, March 13 learn what life was like in Jesus' time by walking through a village created by our middle school class after worship. We are excited for the return of this beloved tradition!

Save the date for Family Camping weekend! July 22–24 at Bong State Park. Just an hour's drive to Wisconsin means hours of fun with campfires, nature walks, and family time.

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

YOUTH MINISTRY

Breakfast Club: For 7th and 8th graders on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. Meet in the Church Library each week to dig into the Bible, faith, and life. Join us for Breakfast and comradery.

Junior High Youth Group (JYG): All youth in grades 7–8 are invited regardless of church affiliation to drop-in to the group. Sign in is at the Warwick Manse and the meeting is in Church most Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. for dinner, games, and candle time talk.

IMPACT 2022 Hawai'i Meeting: Meetings continue today, February 27 at 7 p.m. in the Culbertson Room where we dive deeper into the 2022 theme: Division. What divides us and how might God's love provide the way to reconciliation across differences. All high schoolers are invited regardless of mission trip registration status. Mission trip participants are expected to attend.

COVID protocol in Youth Ministry: Out of an abundance of caution, youth ministry asks that youth attending meetings and programs continue to mask for another two weeks so that we can be reassured of no major spike in local youth COVID cases. Masks will be recommended, but optional for those all on-site youth ministry programs for grades 7 and up on March 13, unless local cases surge. Masking will continue to be required for any group transportation provided by the church. Any off-site activities and trips will abide by COVID protocols in place at the host location.

Save the Date: Wednesday, April 6 for Trampolining! Youth Groups for grades 5–8 are going off site to Altitude Trampoline Park in Skokie. Registration will go live soon!

Save the Date: July 30–August 6 for the 2022 Confirmation Wilderness Course. Registration is expected to open by spring break.

FELLOWSHIP

Mah Jongg: The basics for this popular Asian tile game are easy to learn. Meet for lessons and play on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Warwick Manse. Due to street parking on Warwick and Kenilworth Avenues, please plan accordingly. Contact [Martha Hoza](#) for more information.

Movie Night: A casual group of movie-lovers that gathers once a month at 6:30 p.m. to watch a film followed by a brief discussion. On Tuesday March 1 join us for “The Book Thief” a film about hope and courage recommended by Kathy Evertsberg. Please RSVP to [Sallie Smith](#).

COMMUNICATIONS

Reminders for Livestream Worship: Two ways to view worship from home and away! We now have options for ad-free viewing: please use the livestream link at kuc.org/ or the kuc.org/watch tab at the top of the page. The youtube.com/c/kenilworthunionchurch channel is still also available with ads. A recording of 10 a.m. Worship or 12:15 Mid-Day Prayer is available starting about an hour after the service.

Find us in your inbox! All email addresses in the Kenilworth Union directory now receive a weekly Sunday worship email and the eNews on Thursdays. If you are not receiving these but would like to, you may subscribe at kuc.org. To unsubscribe click the link at the bottom of the email. Contact [Christine Adams](#) if you would like us to change your email address or help with anything else.

Connect with Kenilworth Union via podcast: The 10–15 minute sermon messages are inspiring, thoughtful companions for walks and commutes.

We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation

If you would like to learn more, please contact

Reverend Dr. Katie Lancaster or a Stephen Leader as listed in the Church Directory

Care Guild Leader for February is Susi Swisher

and the leaders for March are Jill Kirk and Hope Poor

To let us know where help is needed, call the church at (847)251-4272

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Transfiguration of the Lord—Communion

Lent begins Ash Wednesday, March 2

February 27, 2022

- Sun., Feb. 27
- 8:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary—In Person
 - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School—Schmidt Chapel
 - 9:45 a.m. Breakfast Club—Library
 - 10 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary—In Person and Livestream
 - 11 a.m. KUC Youth Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
 - 7 p.m. IMPACT Meeting—Culbertson Room
- Mon., Feb. 28
- 7 p.m. Monday Sacred Ground—Culbertson Room and Online
- Tues., Mar. 1
- 9:30 a.m. Mah Jongg—Warwick Manse
 - 12:15 p.m. Mid-Day Prayer—Livestream and Sanctuary
 - 7 p.m. Movie Night—Culbertson Room—”The Book Thief”
- Wed., Mar. 2
- Lent begins Ash Wednesday
- 9:15 a.m. Hybrid Bible Read Along—Centennial Room/Online
 - 10 a.m. Hybrid Men’s Coffee—Library/Online
 - 12:45 p.m. Women’s Bible Study—Centennial Room
 - 2 p.m. Knitting Ministry—Library
 - 4 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship for all Ages—Sanctuary
 - 4 p.m. Faith234—Manse sign in and Church
 - 4:45 p.m. Cherub and Rejoice Singers and Ringers Choir Rehearsal—Sanctuary
 - 5 p.m. Middle School Youth Group—Manse sign in and Church
 - 6 p.m. Junior Bell Choir—Music Room
 - 6:30 p.m. Junior High Youth Group—Manse Only
 - 7 p.m. Adult Bell Choir—Music Room
 - 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Traditional Worship—Sanctuary and Livestream
- Thur., Mar. 3
- 7 p.m. Exploring Grief Group—Online
 - 7 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal—Transept
- Fri., Mar. 4
- Sat., Mar. 5