



Kenilworth Union Church
Service of Worship
June 26, 2022
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 Outdoor Worship
10 a.m. Sanctuary Worship
CONNECT TO WORSHIP at 10 a.m.

Prelude	<i>Allemande</i>	J. Duphy	8:30 a.m.
	<i>Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne in C Major</i>	D. Buxtehude	10 a.m.

Call to Worship

***Opening Hymn** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing.
Our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe.
His craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.
That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth.
The spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also.
The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still.
His kingdom is forever.

Opening Prayer

John O'Donohue

Leader: I arise today; In the name of Silence; Womb of the Word,
People: In the name of Stillness; Home of Belonging,
Leader: In the name of Solitude; Of the Soul and the Earth.
People: I arise today; Blessed by all things,
Wings of breath; Delight of eyes,
Wonder of whisper; Intimacy of touch,
Leader: Eternity of soul; Urgency of thought,
Miracle of health; Embrace of God.
People: May I live this day; Compassionate of heart,
Clear in word; Gracious in awareness,
Courageous in thought; Generous in love.
Amen.

Ministry of Music

Lord, Here Am I

John Ness Beck

Master, thou callest, I gladly obey;
Only direct me, and I'll find thy way.
Teach me the mission appointed for me,
What is my labor, and where it shall be.
Master, thou callest, and this I reply,
"Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."

Willing, my savior, to take up the cross;
Willing to suffer reproaches and loss;
Willing to follow, if thou will but lead;
Only support me with grace in my need.
Master, thou callest and this I reply,
"Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."

Living or dying, I still would be thine,
Yet I am mortal while thou are divine.
Pardon, whenever I turn from the right;
Pity, and bring me again to the light.
"Ready and willing, Lord, here am I,
Here am I."

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.

Choral Response

Welcome and Announcements

Tithes and Offerings

10 a.m.

Prayer of Dedication

Ministry of Music

Let's Begin Again

John Rutter

10 a.m.

So let's begin again; try another way.
Let's begin again; there's a better way:
Rule a line and start once more,
Learning from what's gone before;
Let's begin again;
Let's find a way to start again.

So can we get it right this time? Possibly.

Another chance in sight?

Take things easily.

Is there time to care again,

Time to hope and share again?

Is it all too late?

Too late to try it out again?

The starlight in the skies and the moonlight;

The firelight in your eyes and the candlelight

Every creature softly bless,

Touching each with tenderness,

Helping us to see,

To see a better way ahead.

The mantle of the night wraps things silently;

Nothing mortal shows; let's step carefully;

Make new tracks together,

Walk hand in hand,

And never run and hide:

The paths that we must tread lie side by side,

The paths that we must tread lie side by side.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture and Sermon

6/12 Luke 8:26–39

6/26 Luke 9:51–62

7/3 Luke 10:1–11, 16–20

7/10 Luke 10:25–37

7/17 Luke 10:38–42

7/24 Luke 11:1–13

7/31 Luke 12:13–21

To Bless the Space Between Us

Beyond Endings

Beginnings

Thresholds

Homecomings

Callings

Desires

States of the Heart

*Closing Hymn

O God, in a Mysterious Way

O God, in a mysterious way great wonders you perform.

You plant your footsteps in the sea and ride upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines of never-failing skill,

You treasure up your bright designs and work your sovereign will.

Postlude

To God Be the Glory

Toccata in Seven

arr. M. Hayes

J. Rutter

8:30 a.m.

10 a.m.

Please stand as you are able

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PARTICIPANTS:

Alyssa Bennett, Assistant Director of Choirs

Lisa Bond, Minister of Music

Chancel Choir

William Evertsberg, Senior Minister, Preacher

Joel Fox, Director of Media Production

Eun Joo Ju, Keyboardist, Organist

Katie Snipes Lancaster, Senior Associate Minister, Liturgist

Section Leader Ensemble

Audio and Video, Kevin Kemp, Eric Tran Ton

Ushers, Beth Fritz, Jim Fritz

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Flowers: The altar flowers are given in memory of Marilyn Studer Moles by her loving family.

"And what is so rare as a day in June?

Then, if ever, come perfect days;

Then heaven tries the earth if it be in tune,

And over it softly her warm ear lays."

—James Russell Lowell

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[Click here for Plate Offering](#)

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022 Vacation Bible School Success! By Greta Connor, Director of Children and Family Ministry

We are so grateful that we could resume the VBS tradition after a two-year hiatus due to COVID. Our VBS was small but mighty this year. With 17 campers, ranging in age from kindergarten–4th grade, and three high school volunteers. The smaller group allowed us to connect with each other in a meaningful way. As Children’s Ministry leaders, we treasure the time to get to know each child outside of the busy school year schedule.

Each afternoon we would begin in the hallowed space, the Schmidt Chapel, for a story related to creation. Daily themes included “God tends to Earth” and “God’s Kingdom is like a Seed.” There were plenty of questions as we wondered about why rivers are important and what God’s kingdom is like. Following the story, Assistant Director of Rejoice and Bell Choirs Ryan Belongie, led everyone in song. We were able to learn two new songs during the week. Parents reported campers still singing the songs well into the evening! Thanks to Ryan for sharing his gift of music and for teaching us such catchy (and meaningful) tunes. [Continue reading](#)

Celebrating Silvi Pirn: Join us on Sunday, July 10 at 10 a.m. Worship to offer blessing on Silvi’s Ministry followed by extended fellowship with a food truck. Please send a handwritten note of gratitude mailed to church and received before July 10 or drop it in the “Cards for Silvi” box by the front desk.

Recorded Town Hall Meeting: Watch the June 15 Town Hall meeting recording on the planning and envisioning our facility, and the early stages of the capital campaign. Attendees toured the building, saw a presentation on the history and needs of the space, and had their questions answered to the best of our ability. If you’d like to see a recording of the meeting, John Sharp can send you a link.

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, June 28 we will pray for the following Kenilworth Union families: Peter and Sarah Hepner; Brian and Jenny Herb; Jean Herreman; Bob and Diann Higgins; Spider and Amy Hilarides; Arthur and Susan Hill; Cynthia Hill; Dene Hillinger; William Hinchliff; Liz Hindsley; Paul and Maureen Hindsley; Marcia Hines; Tony and Cammie Hoban; Jeff Hoch; Linda Hoch; David and Elizabeth Hodges; Candee Hoff; Stephen and Jane Hoffman; Greg and Beth Hoffmann; Nydia Hohf; and Michael and Lesley Holling.

Labyrinth: The labyrinth, located to the east of the cloisters, is available for anyone yearning for a meditative stroll. This outdoor space allows you to safely connect with both our physical church and your spiritual practice. [Click through](#) for sample prayers to get started.

To Bless the Space Between Us: John O’Donohue says “a blessing evokes a privileged intimacy...[a blessing] touches that tender membrane where the human heart cries out to its divine ground...a blessing is not a sentiment or a question; it is a gracious invocation where the human heart pleads with the divine.” Let us seek, then, “to bless the space between us” and the-self-in-relation-to-the-divine.

PASTORAL CARE

Baptism: We are scheduling baptisms for the summer, please reach out to [Katie Lancaster](#) if you are interested in bringing your child/ren forward for the sacrament of baptism.

Hospital Visits: Your health is precious to you and this congregation. Since health privacy laws were enacted, the pastoral staff is no longer able to know if you are hospitalized. We want to pray with you, your family, and be present. If you or anyone you know from the congregation becomes ill or injured, please contact [Katie Lancaster](#). We will respect your privacy and confidentiality in our prayers and support.

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

November Civil Rights Tour Registration: You're Invited...November 3–6 “In recent years Kathy and I have led pilgrimages to sacred sites like Jerusalem and Edinburgh. Please join us for a journey to equally holy shrines on American soil.” —Reverend Dr. William A. Evertsberg

MEMORIAL AND WEDDING GUILDS

Volunteers needed! Both guilds fall under Worship and are a long-standing tradition, Memorial Guild members prepare and serve beverages, finger sandwiches, and cookies following memorial services held at the Church throughout the year. The Wedding Guild members oversee the wedding setup and are support during the rehearsal and wedding. The time commitment for volunteers is minimal; the impact felt by the families served is great. Contact [Katie Lancaster](#) for more information.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

2022-23 Care Guild Team and Leader Registration: Care Guild attends to Church members by delivering meals, writing, assisting 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](#) or contact [Katie Nahrwold](#) for more information.

Volunteer with 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. 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. 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](#).

Monday Faith Walk: A chance to meet, pray, and talk. We gather at the Church Cloisters on Mondays at 10 a.m. We share a devotional, then walk and talk at a good pace for all, arriving back to church by 11 a.m. Please contact [Nancy Johnson](#) to join this group or for more information.

Stephen Ministry: Everyone goes through difficult times, but sometimes we really struggle with the life issues we are facing. Sometimes we need to know that someone else cares, that someone else is pulling for us, praying for us and reaching out to us. Sometimes it helps to talk with someone who isn't family, someone who isn't necessarily a close friend or a pastor, a teacher or a counselor. It's for those times and for those who are hurting in our church community that Kenilworth Union Church offers Stephen Ministry. [Find out more here.](#)

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY*

On the Same Page: Would you like to participate in our pilot group read? Kids (upper elementary and up) and adults of all ages are welcome to read the selected book and join in a discussion. Enjoy the richness of an intergenerational conversation. Your book suggestions are welcome! Please submit them to [Greta Connor](#).

Registration for Family Camping weekend is open! 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.

Support Ukraine through UNICEF: As we pray for the families and citizens of Ukraine, many Kenilworth Union church families have asked how they can be the “helpers.” Due to logistics, monetary donations are the most effective way to help during this time of need. With this in mind, and as an expression of “loving our neighbor,” children created Ukrainian flag themed note cards during Sunday school. Notecards with envelopes will be sold in packages of 8 for \$20. All proceeds will go directly to UNICEF to benefit Ukrainian families. Notecards are available for preorder online and can be picked up at Kenilworth Union Church.

**contact [Greta Connor](#) for more information on Children and Family Ministry*

YOUTH MINISTRY*

Stay tuned for Summer Programing: for grades 7 and up, we will be announcing special summer events such as “Come join us at Kenilworth Assembly Hall lawn for park district sponsored food trucks. July 11 and August 8.”

**contact Youth Director, [Squire Prince](#) for more information on Youth Ministry*

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sun., June 26		IMPACT Mission Trip Returns
	8:30 a.m.	Worship in the Memorial Garden—Bring your own chair
	9:45 a.m.	Childcare—Room 12 (6 months–3 years)
	9:45 a.m.	Summer Sunday School (last day)—Robinson Garden
	10 a.m.	Worship in the Sanctuary—In Person and Livestream
Mon., June 27	10 a.m.	Faith Walk—Off Site
Tues., June 28	9:30 a.m.	Mah Jongg—Warwick Manse
	12:15 p.m.	Mid-Day Prayer—Sanctuary and Livestream
	7 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Supervision—Centennial Room
Wed., June 29	10 a.m.	Hybrid Men's Coffee—Library and Online
Thur., June 30		
Fri., July 1		
Sat., July 2		

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 June is Katie Nahwold and for July is Marion Hanold.
To let us know where help is needed, call the church at (847)251-4272