



Kenilworth Union Church
Service of Worship
February 5, 2023
Gospel Music Sunday
8:30 and 10 a.m. Sanctuary Worship
CONNECT TO WORSHIP at 10 a.m.

Prelude

Stir Up the Gift

Joe Pace

God has not given us the spirit of fear,
But the Lord has given us power!
God has not given us the spirit of fear,
No! No! No! No! No!
But the Lord has given us power!
Power and love! His joy and peace!
His happiness! He has given us a sound mind.
Never should I be afraid!
Stir up the gifts!
Lay your hands on me!
Touch me, Lord!
Never should I be afraid!
Stir up the gifts!

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

He Is King of Kings

Refrain

**He is king of kings; he is lord of lords,
Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like him.
O he is king of kings; he is lord of lords,
Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like him.
He built his throne up in the air; no one works like him;
And called his saints from everywhere; no one works like him. *Refrain*
He pitched his tents on Canaan ground; no one works like him;
And broke oppressive kingdoms down; no one works like him. *Refrain*
I know that my redeemer lives; no one works like him;
And by his love sweet blessing gives; no one works like him. *Refrain***

Prayer for the Day

Eric Doyle

Lector: Lord of every origin:

People: Draw us closer to you.

Lector: Lord of all existence:

People: Direct us in all our ways.

Lector: Lord of every endeavor:

People: Give us strength to go on.

Lector: Lord of faith:

People: Preserve us from doubt.

Lector: Lord of every hope:

People: Keep us from despair.

Lector: Lord of all love:

People: Let us never grow cold.

Lector: Lord of every ending:

People: Receive us at the last.

Lector: Lord of eternity

People: Bless us forever. Amen.

Ministry of Music

Serve the Lord With Gladness

Rollo Dilworth

Refrain

Serve the Lord. Serve the Lord with gladness. Serve him with gladness.

Come before his presence with singing, glorious singing.

Praise the Lord, O praise ye the Lord. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Know that the Lord is God: it is he that hath made us.

We are the sheep of his pasture. *Refrain*

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and praise:

Give thanks and bless his name.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God, above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Refrain*

Amen!

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

Ministry of Music*True Light*

Keith Hampton

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
Almighty God is light. He lives in us as true light.
In the beginning out of the darkness God created true light.
He lives in us as true light.
Almighty God is light. He lives in us as true light.
Don't let the light that you've given me die, and don't desert my mind.
But let the one who serves you, praise you again and again.
He lives in us as true light.
You are the one who judges right from wrong. Your glory excites no envy.
But let the one who serves you, praise you again and again.
He lives in us as true light.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
Everywhere I go, I want the world to know.
God gave the world true light!

Scripture Lesson

Romans 8:28

Sermon*Hold On to What You Know!***Ministry of Music**

Gospel Selections by Vernon Clark and the Heirs of Joy

Benediction*Benediction Response***Worship The Lord, I Call Him Up*

Mark Freeman

Worship the Lord, and praise his holy name!
Worship the Lord; Let's magnify his name!
Make a joyful noise, all ye people, sing a song to the Lord:
Of his goodness and his mercy; Of his faithfulness and love.
Worship the Lord, and praise his holy name!
Worship the Lord; Let's magnify his name!
Can't stop praising his name!
I just can't stop praising his name!
I just can't stop praising his name, Jesus!
Jesus!
Hallelujah!
Jesus! Praise his holy name!
Can't stop praising his name!
I just can't stop praising his name!
I just can't stop praising his name, Jesus!

Postlude

The People Respond—Amen!

Dan Locklair

Today's special music is a gift from The Mohn Family in appreciation of Lisa Bond for her uplifting, moving, and creative music programs!

Please stand as you are able

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PARTICIPANTS:

Alyssa Bennett, Assistant Director of Choirs

Lisa Bond, Minister of Music

Chancel Choir

Vernon Clark, Guest Conductor, Preacher

William Evertsberg, Senior Minister, Liturgist

Barbara Falk, Pianist

Joel Fox, Director of Media Production

Heirs of Joy, Jordan Baker, Drummer; **Oscar Brown**, Bass Guitar; **Michael Taylor**, Keyboard;

Ollie Copeland, Dawn Jackson, Patricia Majors, Tina Penick, Malva Waters, Kathy Wideman

Eun Joo Ju, Organist

Karli Cabrera, Chancel Choir Soloist

KUC Youth Choir

Audio and Video, Lilly Hunsader, Kevin Kemp, Eric Tran-Ton

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FRONT DESK

GREETER

Nancy Tierney

USHER

8:30 a.m.

Jim Fritz

USHERS

10 a.m.

David Crossgrove

King Poor

Emily Reynolds

Tom Reynolds

Duncan White

Katie White

Randy White



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Sunday, February 5

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[Click here for Plate Offering](#)

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gospel Music Sunday with Vernon Clark and the Heirs of Joy: For over thirty years, Vernon and his group have inspired us to jump to our feet, and proclaim God's good news! You will see Chancel Choir and KUC Youth Choir moving around a bit more as we get worked up. *Hold On to What You Know!* is the title of Vernon's sermon, and congregational participation is highly encouraged throughout the worship. Karli Cabrera, our new alto section leader, will be a featured soloist. Be sure to attend this remarkable worship, and arrive early to hear our Youth Choir sing the prelude.

Online Exploring Grief Group: The group meets online every Thursday from 7–8:30 p.m. beginning February 9 for eight consecutive sessions. This free series provides a confidential, supportive, and educational environment to grieve the loss of a loved one or friend. All community residents are welcome to participate. For more information and to register for this, contact Joellen Hosler at 847-446-6955 ext. 419. Sponsored by Christ Church Winnetka, Kenilworth Union Church, and Winnetka Congregational Church.

Mental Health First Aid: Katie Nahrwold is a church member and Mental Health First Aid instructor with Josselyn. This course teaches early intervention skills to help someone who may be experiencing a mental health or substance use challenge. The course is open to Kenilworth Union's Congregational Care members at a discounted rate of \$20* and members at-large, 18 years of age and older for \$40. Learn how to identify, understand, and respond to support those in need. Registration is required for course on Monday, February 13 from 9:15 a.m.–3:45 p.m. in the Culbertson Room.

Ash Wednesday Worship for All Ages: February 22 at 4:15 p.m. there will be worship with ashes in the Sanctuary, appropriate for children and people of all ages. We will begin Lent by remembering that we are human, made of the same atoms, matter, and dust as all creation. By the visible cross of ashes, we will remember that God made us, that God loves us, and that we are a part of God's family, the body of Christ. All are welcome to share a casual soup dinner in the Culbertson Room afterward. This is in lieu of Faith234 and MSYG. Families are also welcome to attend the Ash Wednesday Worship at 7 p.m.

Skeptics & Believers: We are reconvening the study group "Skeptics & Believers" in February and are looking forward to welcoming newcomers to study and discuss John Shelby Spong's 1998 book *Why Christianity Must Change or Die*. If you're discouraged by the hyperbolic title, just know that the content is less histrionic. We'll meet on the third Monday of the month beginning in February 20 at 7 p.m. in the Culbertson Room, taking four sessions to get through the book. For those who have not been part of "Skeptics & Believers" please email [Karen Gaynor](#) of your interest.

New Member Information Class: For those considering membership at Kenilworth Union Church, the Sunday, February 26 class will be held from 2–3:30 p.m. in the Culbertson Room. New Member Commissioning is the following Sunday, March 5 at the 10 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary. Please contact [Bruce Linger](#) for more information.

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 Building. Due to street parking on Warwick and Kenilworth Avenues, please plan accordingly. Contact [Martha Hoza](#) for more information.

OUTREACH

Kenilworth Union Church's 23rd Annual Outreach Benefit The “Après Ski” theme this year encourages you to wear furry boots and alpine sweaters. Please come for dinner, drinks, music, and auctions—but stay for the warm companionship of fellow church members and the support of our 40 deserving agencies. Invitations are in your mailbox and responses can be returned in the mail. For those who prefer online sales, the benefit and Cubs Dream Day raffle tickets may be [purchased online at kuc.org](http://kuc.org), along with donations to the agencies or targeted donation to our featured agencies: Breakthrough, Josselyn or RefugeeOne. Friends and neighbors are welcome! Questions? Please call the church or contact me (Chris Beer, Outreach Benefit Chair). “Ski” you soon!

Gil and Marlene Fresh Food and Nutrition Center: The Bowen Family reports that Construction on the Gil and Marlene Fresh Food and Nutrition Center is well underway, but exciting things are already happening thanks to the partnership with By The Hand. [Please click here to view Margot Bowen's blog](#) and view a short video from the students at By The Hand.

ADULT EDUCATION

Hybrid Bible Read Along: Parables on Wednesdays until February 15, at 9:15 a.m. Jesus, the expert teacher, knew that stories are an entry into the deepest questions. This hybrid group welcomes new participants and delights in the new insights gained from one another and scripture. A Bible is all you need and lending copies are available. Contact Christine Hides for more information.

Understanding and Supporting Our Teens' Mental Health: The Alison Tobey Smart Memorial Fund will be hosting a group of five (5) teen mental health experts to discuss key challenges facing our youth today, from anxiety and depression to eating disorders and self-harm to alcohol and drug abuse. The Culbertson Room session on Monday, February 27 at 7 p.m. is designed for Kenilworth Union parents and their friends.

Desert Island Book Club: What one book would you want with you?” In 2023 at Kenilworth Union, I'm answering the question with five of my favorites. We will meet for our second selection, *Anxious People*, by Fredrik Backman on Monday, March 27 at 7 p.m. at my house, unless there are more than 15. Then we'll move the class to the Culbertson Room. RSVP to [Karen Gaynor](#).

MUSIC MINISTRY

Music Ministry is inviting new members to join the Bambino, Cherub, and Rejoice Singers and Ringers choirs. Every voice makes a difference. Bambino Choir is for junior kindergarteners who rehearse on Tuesdays from 4:30–5:10 p.m. **Cherub Choir** is for children in kindergarten and 1st grade and rehearses on Wednesdays from 4:15–4:55 p.m. **Rejoice Singers and Ringers**, for grades 2–5, rehearses Wednesdays 4:45–5:30 p.m. All choirs meet in the music room and sing for worship a few times per church year. Please contact [Lisa Bond](#) for more information.

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, February 8 we will pray for the following Kenilworth Union families: Curt and Jenny Worthington; Jane Stoud Wright; Michael and Janet Wyman; David and Christine Yaccino; Keith and Wendy Yamada; Mike and Jenny Yasiejko; Joyce Young; Bill and Chris Youngberg; Joan Zabel; Bob and Megan Zabel; Frank and Betsie Zadeh; Bill and Ann Zeiler; Giff Zimmerman; Margrit Zimmerman; Paula Zimmerman; and Craig Zummer and Michelle Seitz.

The Unnamed Sermon Series: Scattered across the pages of the Bible are scores, maybe hundreds, of characters who are integral to the story but are never named. Jesus' longest conversation in the Bible is with a woman at a Samaritan well, and without a little boy's lunch of five loaves and two fishes, Jesus never could have nourished the hungry crowd of 5,000, and yet neither character gets a name. Next Sunday, Feb. 12 Bill Evertsberg will preach, *The Unnamed, IV: Pharaoh's Daughter*.

CAREERS

Youth, Young Adults, and Mission: This candidate will bring passion and energy to create a transformative and faith-forming environment. An undergraduate degree is required. Ordination, an M.Div., certification in youth ministry, or a master's degree in a related field is preferred. The candidate will have experience leading and planning all aspects of a youth ministry consisting of 60–100 youth, and the ability to create activities that help people find God's guidance and inspiration, as they are sent out to love and serve God and others. Kenilworth Union will consider adapting the role and job description to fit a qualified candidate's skills, interests, and talents.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Daily Prayer 365: What renewal, growth, or transformation might happen within you and within our collective community when we begin our day with a prayer, scripture, or poetry? Katie Lancaster invites you to this daily practice by signing up for our email here.

Monday Faith Walk: A chance to meet, pray, and talk. We gather at the Church Cloister 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 for more information or to join this group.

Altar Flowers: Kenilworth Union Church Green Team, Care Guild, and Altar Flower Guild are partnering to continue to weave a web of love. Purchased altar flowers may be donated to the Church where they will be repurposed into several bouquets, presented in smaller vases, and distributed by the Care Guild who care for members during their ups and downs.

Hybrid Depression Support Group: The group is a chapter of the National Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance-North Shore. Persons under treatment, family members, and friends are welcome to attend. Our group meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Library. Please contact the facilitator of the group, Beth Palzet, 847-909-3639 to learn more or to let her know you're attending.

YOUTH MINISTRY*

Need a quick link for what's happening in Youth Ministry? Try out link in bio: linktr.ee/kucyouth

Junior High Youth Group (JYG): Mid-week meetings for 7th and 8th graders. Join your youth group family for dinner, games, candle time talk, and find out why Wednesdays are the best days! All youth in grades 7-8 are invited, regardless of church affiliation.

Puerto Rico IMPACT Mission Trip: At this time, registrations for the 2023 mission trip have closed, as we have reached our capacity. If you would like to be considered for our waiting list, please email Squire Prince and he will add you accordingly. Many thanks to God for this opportunity.

All things IMPACT; Service Opportunities

**contact Youth Director, Squire Prince for more information on Youth Ministry*

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Register now for the Spring Tea: Saturday, March 18 from 2–3:30 p.m. in the Culbertson Room. All are welcome as we bring back this intergenerational event! A “magical” afternoon geared toward children in JK–5th and their parent, grandparent, and/or adult. \$10 includes finger sandwiches, sweets, and magic show. Please contact Greta Connor if you'd like to volunteer.

Midweek Groups: Faith234 (2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders, 4–4:45 p.m.) meet at the Warwick Building. **MSYG** (Middle School Youth Group 5–6th graders, 5–6 p.m.) meet at the Warwick Building. If you registered for Sunday School you're all set! No need to register again for midweek groups.

Childcare on Sundays is available at the 8:30 and 10 a.m. worship for children ages 6 months through three years. There is no charge for this service.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time—Gospel Music Sunday
February 5, 2023

- Sun., Feb. 5
- 8:15 a.m. Childcare for six months—three years—Room 12
 - 8:30 a.m. Worship with Gospel Music—Sanctuary
 - 9:10 a.m. Rejoice Singers and Ringers Choir Rehearsal—Schmidt Chapel
 - 9:45 a.m. Childcare for six months—three years—Room 12
 - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School—Schmidt Chapel
 - 10 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary with Gospel Music—In-person and Livestream
 - 11 a.m. Children and Family Ministry's Teacher Appreciation—Centennial Room
 - 7 p.m. IMPACT Meeting—Culbertson Room
- Mon., Feb. 6
- 9:15 a.m. AJN Preschool Beginnings
 - 10 a.m. Faith Walk—Meet in the Cloisters
- Tues., Feb. 7
- 9:30 a.m. Mah Jongg—Warwick Building
 - 12:15 p.m. Mid-Day Prayer—Sanctuary and Livestream
 - 4:30 p.m. Bambino Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
- Wed., Feb. 8
- 9:15 a.m. Hybrid Bible Read Along: Parables—Centennial Room and Online
 - 10 a.m. Hybrid Men's Coffee—Library and Online
 - 12:45 p.m. Women's Bible Study—Centennial Room
 - 4 p.m. Faith234—Warwick Manse
 - 4:15 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
 - 4:45 p.m. Rejoice Singers and Ringers Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
 - 5 p.m. Middle School Youth Group—Warwick Building
 - 6 p.m. Junior Bell Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
 - 6:30 p.m. Junior High Youth Group—Warwick Manse
 - 7 p.m. Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
- Thur., Feb. 9
- 1 p.m. Bridge and Water
 - 7 p.m. Exploring Grief Group—Online
 - 7 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal—Transept
- Fri., Feb. 10
- Sat., Feb. 11

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 Susie Swisher.

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