



Kenilworth Union Church
Service of Worship
October 22, 2023
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 and 10 a.m. Sanctuary Worship
CONNECT TO WORSHIP at 10 a.m.

Prelude

Canzona in D Minor BWV 588

Johann Sebastian Bach

Call to Worship

***Opening Hymn**

For the Beauty of the Earth

Red pew hymnal #473, st. 1-4

**For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:**

Refrain

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

**For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light: *Refrain***

**For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: *Refrain***

**For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: *Refrain***

Opening Prayer

Walter Brueggemann, b. 1933

Lector: O God, maker of heaven and earth,

People: Governor of day and night,

Lector: we give thanks for your ordered gift of life to us,

People: for the rhythms that reassure,

Lector: for the equilibriums that sustain,

People: for the reliabilities that curb our anxieties.

Lector: We treasure from you,

People: days to work and nights to rest.

Lector: We cherish from you,

People: days to control and nights to yield.

Lector: We savor from you,

People: days to plan and nights to dream.

Lector: Be our day and night

People: our heaven and our earth,

Lector: our sea and our sky,

People: and in the end our true home. Amen.

Ministry of Music

He Shall Feed His Flock Like a Shepherd

John Ness Beck

8:30 a.m.

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm,
And carry them in his bosom, and gently shall lead those that are with young.

He shall gather the lambs in his arm, and carry them close to his heart;
And gently, so gently, so gently shall lead those with young.

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm,
And carry them in his bosom, and gently, so gently shall lead those with young.

Encourage One Another

arr. Mark Burrows

10 a.m.

Encourage one another, encourage one another,
And build up each other, and build up each other.

Encourage one another, encourage one another,
And build up each other, and build up each other.

Be the hands of friendship.

Be the ears that listen,

Be the feet of action.

Be the words that comfort.

Be the heart of peace and hope,

Be the song that sings out strong

Of kindness and care,

Of wonder and light,

And love we all share.

Of joy taking flight.

Encourage one another, encourage one another,
And build up each other, and build up each other.

Be the hands, be the hands,

Be the heart, be the song,

And build up each other.

Sacrament of Baptism

10 a.m.

Institution and Presentation

Baptismal Song

Betty Jacobson

Covenant of Parents and Congregation

Christening

Presentation of the Light of Christ

Benediction

Hymn of Welcome

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

**Child of blessing, child of promise,
Baptized with the Spirit's sign,
With this water God has sealed you
Unto love and grace divine.**

**Child of joy, our dearest treasure,
God's you are, from God you came.
Back to God we humbly give you:
Live as one who bears Christ's name.**

**Child of God, your loving Parent,
Learn to listen for God's call.
Grow to laugh and sing and worship,
Trust and love God more than all.**

Prayers of the People

10 a.m.

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

Tithes and Offerings

Welcome and Announcements

Ministry of Music

“He, Watching Over Israel” from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn

He, watching over Israel, slumbers not, nor sleeps.

Shouldst thou, walking in grief, languish, he will quicken thee.

He, watching over Israel, slumbers not, nor sleeps.

*Doxology

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. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Scripture and Sermon

9/10 1 Corinthians 13:4; Exodus 14:5–14

The Greatest of These, I: Patience

9/17 1 Corinthians 13:4; Micah 6:6–8

The Greatest of These, II: Kindness

9/24 1 Corinthians 13:4; I Kings 21:1–19

The Greatest of These, III: Equanimity

10/1 1 Corinthians 13:4; Luke 14:7–11

The Greatest of These, IV: Humility

10/8 1 Corinthians 13:5; Titus 3:1–11

The Greatest of These, V: Courtesy

10/15 1 Corinthians 13:6; John 1:43–51

The Greatest of These, VI: Guilelessness

10/22 1 Corinthians 13:5; Matthew 24:42–51

The Greatest of These, VII: Steadiness

10/29 1 Corinthians 13:5; I John 3:1–18

The Greatest of These, VIII: Unselfishness

11/5 1 Corinthians 13:6; Daniel 3:13–30

The Greatest of These, IX: Integrity

11/12 1 Corinthians 13:7–13

The Greatest of These, X: Immortality

Celebration of the Eucharist

8:30 a.m.

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

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Please partake of the elements as you are able at the chancel stairs. Place the glass cups in the pew cup holders. The communion elements are alcohol-and gluten-free.

Prayer of Consecration

*Closing Hymn *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go*

Red pew hymnal #384, st. 1–3

10 a.m.

O love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;

I give thee back the life I owe,

That in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee;

My heart restores its borrowed ray,

That in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.

O joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;

I trace the rainbow through the rain,

And feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.

Sung Benediction

Gaelic Blessing

Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you.
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you.
Deep peace of the gentle night to you.
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.
Deep peace of Christ, of Christ the light of the world to you.
Deep peace of Christ to you.

Benediction

Postlude

Sortie D Major

César Franck

Please stand as you are able

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PARTICIPANTS:

- Alyssa Bennett**, Assistant Director of Choirs, Soloist 8:30 a.m.
- Lisa Bond**, Minister of Music
- Chancel Choir**
- William Evertsberg**, Senior Minister, Preacher
- Barbara Falk**, Pianist 10 a.m.
- Joel Fox**, Director of Media Production
- Christine Hides**, Associate Minister for Discipleship, Liturgist
- Eun Joo Ju**, Organist
- Rejoice Singers and Ringers** 10 a.m.
- Front Desk Greeters**, Sallie Smith 10 a.m.
- Ushers**, Annie Reising, Jay Reising, Virginia Reising 8:30 a.m.
- Ushers, Rob Schuldt**, Mike Flynn, Todd Fowler, David Hodges, Newt Marshall, Steve Shepherd 10 a.m.
- Audio and Video**, Grant Kalil, Eljasz Perez, Eric Tran-Ton

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Worship Notes

Walter Brueggemann, the most important living American scholar of the Hebrew Bible, wrote the Opening Prayer. He taught at Columbia Theological Seminary 1986–2003 and is currently the William Marcellus McPheeters Professor Emeritus of Old Testament at Columbia. He’s written 157 books (I know, I couldn’t believe it either), including several collections of the prayers he composed and recited at the beginning of every class he ever taught.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar celebrate the wedding of Aidan and Juliana Newell, daughter of Philip and Jennifer (Snell) Earvolino.

Milestones

We welcome to baptism today at the 10 a.m. worship: Audrey Catherine Markson, daughter of Charles and Alexandra Markson, granddaughter of Ed and Catherine King, and great granddaughter of Ed and Jeannie James. The yellow rose on the altar today celebrates the August 15 birth of William Turley Andrews son of Patrick and Katie Andrews, and grandson of Cindy Gentles.

We extend our condolences to Cindy Gentles upon the death of her mother Hellen Turley on October 7; and to Betsey Puth upon the death of her husband John Puth on October 14; and to Gay Weber upon the death of her husband Ray Weber on October 15; and to David Seibel upon the death of his father David R. Seibel on October 18. The white rose on the altar today celebrates their lives.

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 October is Kim Urban.

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



KENILWORTH UNION
CHURCH

211 Kenilworth Avenue
Kenilworth, Illinois 60043

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Announcements

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[Click here for Plate Offering](#)

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gil and Marlene Bowen Fresh Food and Nutrition Center October Update

Many have been curious about the progress of the Gil and Marlene Bowen Fresh Food and Nutrition Center at By The Hand Kid's Club, which was a transformative gift from the Bowen Fund meant to alleviate the fresh food desert in Altgeld Gardens and teach the neighborhood's children about growing and consuming healthy foods (see page 17 of the Annual Report for more information).

We are pleased that By The Hand's Executive Director, Donnita Travis, and Managing Director of Partnerships and Development, Andraya Yousfi, will join Margot Bowen next Sunday, October 29 worship at 8:30 and 10 a.m., to provide an update on the exciting advancements happening with the club and the nutrition center. Join us in welcoming them to our church and experiencing the joy and hope your gifts bring to others.

RJC "The Color Tax" screening and discussion: Members of Kenilworth Union's Racial Justice Committee screened the film "Shame of Chicago." What we learned was impactful and, alongside our amazing sponsors, we wanted to share it with our neighbors on the North Shore. Join us on Thursday, November 2 at 7 p.m. at Sears School to view the 40-minute documentary, followed by a discussion with Bruce Orenstein, lead director and producer; and Dr. Clinton Boyd, executive director of "Fathers Families Healthy Communities." To learn more or to register, [please visit the event webpage](#). If you are having trouble registering, call the church at 847-251-4272.

Special Music Sponsors: The music program needs special music sponsors for the 2023/2024 church year. These sponsorships, which supplement funding provided the annual stewardship campaign, will help underwrite the cost of hiring extra instrumentalists for our special musical church services throughout the year. Please contact [Lisa Bond](#) if you are interested in donating special music for the following:

- Sunday, March 31, Easter Sunday (Special preludes and anthems for worship provided by Chancel Choir, Organ, and the Kenilworth Brass Ensemble)

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training: Monday, October 23, 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.: This training is geared towards adults who work with youth in any way (parents are encouraged to attend!). Learn how to understand, recognize, and respond to a youth who may be experiencing a mental health or substance use challenge. [Learn more and register here.](#)

Altar Flowers Guild Needs Help: We would love any vase donations but only small (not bud vases) to medium (not large!). The Flower Guild has been very successful in rearranging the altar flowers into smaller gifts and delivering to our home bound members. Please contact [Sarah Riccardi](#) for more information or [signup online here](#) to help deliver.

Hybrid Practicing Hope Gathering: Join Christine Hides in a creative and prayerful practice of exploring our longings in all their feathered and less than fluffy forms. You are invited to one or both of the three-week sessions. Each hybrid gathering will feature a short reflection, time to write, and an invitation to share with the group. Please RSVP to [Christine Hides](#). **Session 1:** 9:15-10 a.m. Wednesday October 25, Nov 1, Nov 8. 9:15-10 a.m. Centennial Room. **Session 2** (Advent): 9:15-10 a.m. Wednesday Nov 29, Dec 6, Dec 13 Centennial Room.

Day by Day Ringers Needed: The annual "ringing" of the calendars is on Saturday, October 28 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Culbertson Room. Drop in anytime to lend a hand. Please contact [Laurie Petersen](#) for more information.

WORSHIP

Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary: Worship with Communion at 8:30 a.m. and Worship with livestream at 10 a.m. **The Greatest of These...** Bill, Katie, and Christine will use Henry Drummond's "The Greatest Thing in the World" as basic scaffolding to cover I Corinthians 13 in a 10 week fall sermon series. Next Sunday Bill Evertsberg will preach: *The Greatest of These, VIII: Unselfishness.*

Help Needed Usher Corps: Are you looking for a place to serve with the worship committee? Usher responsibility is simple: agree to be on time for scheduled worship, greet and assist congregants as they enter the church, and carry out safety procedures. Ushers assist the staff in setting the tone for the day. Very important and most appreciated! Teams serve every seven (7) weeks. Please contact our new head usher, [Virginia Reising](#) to serve in this important ministry, or for more information.

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, October 24 we will pray for the following Kenilworth Union families: Richard and Laura Radcliffe; John Raferty and Stephanie Rogers; Kathy Ragnar; David and Bridget Rahr; Gwyn Rahr; Carolyn Raitt; John Raitt and Diana Twyman-Raitt; Jack and Jill Ramaker; Paul and Diane Rand; Mike and Judy Randall; Jim and JoAnne Rankin; Bill Raub; Jim and Judy Rauh; Norma Rayment; Roland and Jacque Rayment; Lazar and Katherine Raynal; Ted and Carole Read; Gary and Barbara Redmond; Ryan Hare and Kristen Reese.

STEWARDSHIP

Please check your mailbox this week, letters for the Annual Stewardship Campaign are in the mail, please look for them, and if you don't receive one please contact [Michelle Gutowski](#).

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Sunday School: Children meet on Sunday mornings during 10 a.m. Worship for preschool sixth grade. During 8:30 and 10 a.m. worship, childcare is available in classroom 12 for children ages six months through age three.

Faith234: A midweek, play-based group, with joyful spiritual practice. We meet at Warwick Building on Wednesdays at 4 p.m.

MSYG: Join us for fun and games, orange snacks, and a chance to pray for ourselves and each other! Meet at the Warwick Building Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m.

AJN Preschool Beginnings: Parents with children ages 0–24 months can drop in on Mondays, from 9:15–10:15 a.m., the program allows them to connect with other families who are involved with or interested in Kenilworth Union Church and AJN Preschool. Please register if you would like to join us!

ADULT EDUCATION

Skeptics and Believers: On Monday, November 20 we will gather to finalize the discussion Karen Armstrong's "The Case for God" Please reserve a spot in the Culbertson Room at 7 p.m. with [Karen Gaynor](#).

Desert Island Book Club: Our last book on colonialism, "The Poisonwood Bible" by Barbara Kingsolver meets Monday, October 30. Bill Evertsberg and friends will gather at the Evertsberg's home to discuss the book, and Kathy Evertsberg will be serving goodies in conjunction with the book discussion. Please let [Karen Gaynor](#) know you're coming, if we have too many, we'll meet in the Culbertson Room.

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 Malott Chapel. Contact [Martha Hoza](#) for more information.

First Wednesday: Enjoy seeing longtime friends, and meet others as we share a delicious lunch and program in the Culbertson Room. Returning speaker, member, friend, and editor of several "AIA Guide to Chicago" book resources: Laurie Petersen will talk about "The Ever-Changing Chicago Shore Line." Please RSVP to [Sallie Smith](#).

MUSIC MINISTRY

Rehearsal Times: Wednesdays Cherub Choir 4:15 p.m., Rejoice Singers and Ringers 4:45 p.m., Junior Bell Choir 6 p.m., and Adult Bell Choir 7 p.m.; **Thursdays:** Chancel Choir 7 p.m.; **Sundays:** Rejoice Singers and Ringers 9:10 a.m. KUC Youth Choir 11 a.m.

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 at church by 11 a.m. Please contact [Nancy Johnson](#) for more information or to join this group.

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 *

Breakfast Club meets Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in the Warwick Building: The 7th and 8th graders are welcome to join, even if they aren't registered (we can register on the spot)! We will collect emergency contact information at first attendance. Each week we will dig into the Bible, faith and life over a yummy breakfast. High schoolers are welcome to come help in the classroom!

Junior High Youth Group meets Wednesdays at 6:30: All 7th and 8th graders (and high school leaders) are welcome to join us for some fun fellowship as we try out different games, and explore where God is in our everyday lives. We will tackle some real questions about living out faith in some pretty cool ways. Mark your calendars on Wednesday, October 25, 6:30 p.m. for our spooktacular party at JYG! This is a costume party so come dressed in your Halloween finest.

Parent Involvement Meeting, Monday, October 30, 6 p.m.: We are hosting a meeting for parents of all youth to learn more about what our youth are up to and how you can support their faith journey at Kenilworth Union! Light snacks provided. All parents encouraged to attend. Meet in the Warwick Building

SERVICE

Youth Ushers Needed on Sundays, 9:30 a.m.: Participate in our church community by serving as an usher! Each Sunday counts as 1.5 hours of community service. [Sign up here](#).

Day By Day Ringing Day, Saturday, October 28, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.: Drop in anytime for the annual "ringing" of the calendars. [More information here](#). Contact [Laurie Peterson](#) to let her know you're coming.

Racial Justice Committee Film Screening of "Shame of Chicago," Thursday, November 2, 7–9 p.m.: Youth volunteers are needed to check people in, among other tasks. [More information here](#). Contact [Laura Connell](#) to let her know you're coming.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 22, 2023

- Sun., Oct. 22
- 8:15 a.m. Childcare for six months–three years—Room 12
 - 8:30 a.m. Sunday Worship with Communion—Sanctuary
 - 9:45 a.m. Childcare for six months–three years—Room 12
 - 9:45 a.m. Confirmation Classroom—Centennial Room
 - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School—Schmidt Chapel
 - 9:45 a.m. Breakfast Club—Warwick Building
 - 10 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary with Baptism—In person and [Livestream](#)
 - 11 a.m. KUC Youth Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
 - 7 p.m. IMPACT Care Packaging—Culbertson Room
- Mon., Oct. 23
- 9:15 a.m. AJN Preschool Beginnings—Room 26
 - 9:30 a.m. Youth Mental Health First Aid—Centennial Room
 - 10 a.m. Faith Walk—Off Site
- Tues., Oct. 24
- 9:30 a.m. Mah Jongg—Malott Chapel
 - 12:15 p.m. Mid-Day Prayer—Sanctuary
 - 7 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision—Centennial Room
- Wed., Oct. 25
- 9:15 a.m. Hybrid Practicing Hope Gathering—Centennial Room
 - 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 Building
 - 4:15 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
 - 4:45 p.m. Rejoice Singers and Ringers Rehearsal—Music Room
 - 5:15 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 Building
 - 7 p.m. Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
- Thur., Oct. 26
- 9:30 a.m. Women's Reading Group—Culbertson Room
 - 6 p.m. Exploring Grief Group—Off Site
 - 7 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal—Transept
- Fri., Oct. 27
- Sat., Oct. 28
- 9 a.m. Day by Day Ringing—Culbertson Room