



Kenilworth Union Church
Service of Worship
March 14, 2021
Fourth Sunday in Lent
9:30 a.m. Online

[CONNECT TO WORSHIP](#) at 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Love Unknown
Father of Peace, God of Love

Matthew Corl
Craig Phillips

Call to Worship

Gill Le Fevre

Please add your voice to this responsive prayer, from wherever you are.

One: As darkness gives way to light
and winter sleep to fresh beginnings,

All: We come today to be reminded of God's love for us.

One: Like the green shoots of renewed life, stirring beneath the soil,

All: We welcome an awakening of God's word in our lives.

One: In this time of reflection and repentance,

All: We affirm our identity, we claim our security, as children of God.

One: Let us worship God.

Opening Hymn

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Frederick Charles Maker

1. Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat, and the burden of the day.

2. Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see
The very dying form of one who suffered there for me;
And from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess:
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

3. I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss,
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

Prayer for Lent

Ann Siddall

Please add your voice to this responsive prayer, from wherever you are.

One: O God, help us to use this season of Lent
To examine our attachments,
And to sense where you invite us
To live more simply and deeply.

All: Shine the light of your love
Into the private corners of our lives
Where we have acquired so much clutter

That it has begun to restrict our freedom.

One: Grant us the strength to free ourselves
From appetites and needs that drive us
Into taking, having, and wanting
More than we need or have time for.

**All: Teach us that in letting go,
We become free rather than deprived,
Generous rather than covetous,
And spacious rather than restricted.**

One: We offer you our Lenten observance,
And today we place our feet
On the road to Easter,
And walk the way that you have walked before us.

All: Amen.

Ministry of Music

“God So Loved the World” from *Christus*

John Stainer

God so loved the world,
God so loved the world,
That he gave his only begotten son,
That who so believeth, believeth in him
Should not perish, should not perish
But have everlasting life.
For God sent not his son into the world
To condemn the world,
God sent not his son into the world
To condemn the world;
But that the world through him might be saved.
God so loved the world,
God so loved the world,
That he gave his only begotten son,
That whoso believeth, believeth in him
Should not perish, should not perish
But have everlasting life, everlasting life,
Everlasting, everlasting life.
God so loved the world,
God so loved the world,
God so loved the world.

Sacrament of Baptism

Institution and Presentation

Baptismal Song

Covenant of Parents and Congregation

Christening

Presentation of the Light of Christ

Benediction

Betty Jacobson

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.**

Tithes and Offerings

Announcements from the Life of the Church
Minute for Mission
Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture and Sermon

2/28 John 1:43-51
3/7 John 4:1-42
3/14 John 5:1-9
3/21 John 12:20-33
3/28 John 11:28-57; John 12:12-19
4/1 John 18 and 19
4/4 John 20:1-18

Cabinet of Colloquial Curiosities

Zenobia: When You Feel Like an Imposter
Druery: When a Relationship Fails
Aphercotropism: When Obstacles Impede
Respair: When You're Desperate
Dolorifuge: When Sadness Overwhelms
Interfulgent: When Hope Is Almost Gone
Eucatastrophe: When Death Is Winning

Closing Hymn

Kind Maker of the World

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1. Kind maker of the world, O hear
The fervent prayer, with many a tear
Poured forth by all the penitent
Who keep this holy fast of Lent.
2. Each heart is manifest to thee;
Thou knowest our infirmity;
Now we repent and seek thy face;
Grant unto us thy pardoning grace.
3. Spare us, O Lord, who now confess
Our sins and all our wickedness,
And, for the glory of thy name,
Our weakened souls to health reclaim.
4. Give us the discipline that springs
From abstinence in outward things
With inward fasting, so that we
In heart and soul may dwell with thee.
5. Grant, O thou blessed trinity,
Grant, O unchanging unity,
That this our fast of forty days
May work our profit and thy praise!

Benediction

Postlude

Thou Man of Grief, Remember Me

Gardner Read

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Plate Offering

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Worship Notes

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The Call to Worship was written by Gill Le Fevre, a theology student and student minister serving the United Church of Canada in Oakville, Ontario.

Ann Siddall wrote the Prayer for Lent. She lives in Adelaide and serves as a spiritual director in the Uniting Church of Australia.

The inspiration for our Lenten Sermon Series at Kenilworth Union comes from Paul Anthony Jones' *The Cabinet of Calm: Soothing Words for Troubled Times* (2020), where this British author compiles 51 mostly extinct English words that for various reasons faded from our common vocabulary over the centuries, but which might nonetheless speak a word of peace to us in chaotic times if we raise them from the dead.

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PARTICIPANTS:

Alyssa Bennett, Assistant Director of Choirs, Soloist, Media Production

Lisa Bond, Minister of Music, Media Production

Chancel Choir

William Evertsberg, Senior Minister, Preacher

Joel Fox, Audio and Video

Miya Higashiyama, Hymn Soloist

Susan Klotzbach, Organist

Katie Snipes Lancaster, Senior Associate Minister, Liturgist

Matt Leske, Audio and Video

Robin Roberts, Minute for Mission on Homelessness

Jonathan Wilson, Hymn Soloist

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Milestone: We welcome to baptism today, Greer Margaret Sullivan, daughter of Sean and Meg Sullivan.

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We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

If you would like to learn more, please contact a [Stephen Leader](#).

Care Guild Co-Leaders for March is [Jill Kirk](#) and [Dayle Lively](#).

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

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fireside Chat with Bill Evertsberg: Bill talks about two timely anniversaries, and shares more about the historical inspiration for his fireside chats.

Kathy McCabe Retires, Twenty-four Years of Loyalty

Please join us in extending our best wishes to Kathy McCabe, who after 24 years of faithful service to Kenilworth Union Church, is retiring on May 1. In her role as administrative assistant, Kathy has been an integral part of nearly every wedding, funeral, and baptism at the church over the last two decades....Kathy will be honored at 9:30 Online Worship on Sunday, April 18. To congratulate Kathy on her retirement and thank her for her service, please send letters to the church (attn: [Sandy Wells](#)) by Saturday, April 10.

[Continue reading](#)

COVID-19 Restore Illinois Updates: Please click through to view the church's guidelines as we begin to reopen and check the calendar for the latest updates.

Outreach Benefit Fund: We cannot get together this year and the need for services for these agencies is greater than ever. Look for an Outreach letter in your mailbox and thank you for your generosity.

WORSHIP

Lenten and Holy Week Calendar: Journey with us through Lent. Bill Evertsberg has put together a new sermon series *Cabinet of Colloquial Curiosities: Rare Words for Troubled Times*. Katie Lancaster sends a daily devotional *Divine and Dusty: Embodied Prayers for Lent*. Christine Hides meets weekly to discuss a devotional *Living Well Through Lent*.

Meditation: 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. [Labyrinth Prayer Guide](#).

Mid-Day Prayer: Each week a new liturgy is offered [livestream](#) or in the [Sanctuary at 12:15 p.m.](#) We meet for 15 minutes to read scriptures and hear a brief reflection. On Tuesday, March 16 we will pray for the following Kenilworth Union families: Sandy Bohnsack, Nancy Bohrer, Andy & Lisa Bond, Scott & Susan Bondurant, Sascha & Britta Bopp, Kent & Laura Born, Dave & Janet Bornhoeft, David & Kristina Bornhoeft, Susan Bosler, Pete Bott & Sigrid Sola-Bott, Charles & Sharon Botthof, Joyce Bottum, Joe & Theresa Boutross, Gil Bowen, Mark & Margot Bowen, Stephen & Marnie Bowen, Jim Boyle & Lisa Ratti, Matthew & Jen Braatz, Mark Brand & Margrit Kuehn, and Robert & Joyce Brandon.

Online Worship Only Until Easter Week: Out of an abundance of caution and love for our neighbors and friends, Kenilworth Union Church will continue to livestream Online Worship at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. In-person 8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship in the Memorial Garden will resume on Palm Sunday, March 28 weather permitting, and in-house Worship in the Sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. on Easter Sunday, May 4. The Sanctuary is open for Mid-Day Prayer on Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m.

Reservations for Worship are open for the following days:

March 28, 8:30 a.m. [Outdoor Worship in the Memorial Garden](#)

April 4, 6:30 a.m. [Sunrise Worship in the Memorial Garden](#)

April 4, 8:30 a.m. [Outdoor Worship in the Memorial Garden](#)

April 4, 10:30 a.m. [Worship in the Sanctuary](#)

MEMBERSHIP

New Member Information: We invite those interested in becoming members of Kenilworth Union to attend the information class. Spring classes (one two-hour class must be attended) begin the last week in April. Those choosing to become new members will be recognized on New Member Sunday, May 2 during worship. Please contact [Katie Snipes Lancaster](#) to find out more.

ADULT EDUCATION

[Past class recording can be found here.](#)

Living Well Through Lent: An online discussion group who reads and discusses select devotionals written by a diverse group of writers. Download the devotional and join the online as you are able to discuss on Tuesdays at 9 a.m., through March 30 with [Christine V. Hides](#).

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Receive News, Updates, and Events from RJC: Opt in to receive the new monthly Racial Justice Committee newsletter. More information can be found at the [RJC website](#).

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Divine and Dusty: Embodied Prayers for Lent—A Lenten Devotional from The Reverend Dr. Katie Snipes Lancaster. Click here to receive a devotional.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY*

—Online Only—

Classes and Pathways for Lent:

- Sundays: 9 a.m. *Family Chapel*; 9:25 a.m. *Entering In to Worship*; 11 a.m. *Third Grade Bible Milestone*; and 11 a.m. *Discovering Our Gifts*
- Tuesdays: 4 p.m. *Faith234*
- Wednesdays: 5 p.m. *Middle School Youth Group*

[Click here for information and to register.](#)

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

MUSIC MINISTRY

On the Third Sunday in Lent, Susan Klotzbach on organ accompanied Jonathan Wilson, soloist for *You Walk Along Our Shoreline*. Thank you for the gift of music!

YOUTH MINISTRY* Follow [@kucyouth](#) Instagram

IMPACT 2021 Mission Trip Program Registration is Now Open: The deadline is March 31.

High School Senior's Class 2021: Youth Sunday is May 16. If you would like to participate in Youth Sunday worship or find out what is involved [visit the registration page](#).

Junior High Youth Group for 7th and 8th Graders is Back in Person: All youth, regardless of church affiliation, are invited to join us with social-distance games and candle-time talks. Meet on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. [Reservations are required.](#)

IMPACT Program Orientation for youth, parents, and leaders. The meeting is online Sunday, March 21 at 7 p.m., and covers the basics of the IMPACT mission trip program and details about travel, accommodations, and mission partnerships and projects.

**for more information on Youth Ministry Programs please contact [Silvi Pirn](#).*

YOUTH SUPPORT

#mentalhealthmondays The Kenilworth Union staff is offering encouraging and practical help to support mental health in a series of posts on the [@kucyouth](#) Instagram appearing every Monday. Follow KUC Youth Instagram to get these encouraging messages!

KUC Cares is a group of teens who are here to support youth who are facing challenges. The challenges might be related to physical or mental health, or just emotional burden or distress. To get care for yourself or someone you know, [complete this survey](#).

Support: Our staff can help youth find the support they need when facing life's challenges. We can meet one-on-one or in groups for pastoral care and direction. We can also help advocate for and find the resources locally to provide counseling and care each teen needs. Please reach out to [Silvi Pirn](#).

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Daylight Saving Begins Today

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Minute for Mission on Homelessness

COVID-19 UPDATES

Sun., Mar. 14	5 a.m.	Divine and Dusty: Embodied Prayers for Lent—Online
	9 a.m.	Family Chapel—Online
	9:30 a.m.	Online Worship with Baptism—Livestream
	11 a.m.	Discovering Our Gifts—Online
	11 a.m.	Third Grade Bible Milestone—Online
Mon., Mar. 15	5 a.m.	Divine and Dusty: Embodied Prayers for Lent—Online
Tues., Mar. 16	5 a.m.	Divine and Dusty: Embodied Prayers for Lent—Online
	9 a.m.	Living Well Through Lent Devotional Group—Online
	12:15 p.m.	Mid-Day Prayer—In-House and Livestream
	4 p.m.	Faith234—Online
	7 p.m.	21+Theology on Tap—Online
Wed., Mar. 17	5 a.m.	Divine and Dusty: Embodied Prayers for Lent—Online
	9:15 a.m.	Online Bible Read Along The Gospel According to John—Online
	10 a.m.	Men's Coffee—Online
	2 p.m.	Knitting Ministry—Online
	5 p.m.	Middle School Youth Group—Online
	6 p.m.	St. Patrick's Treasure Hunt Junior High Youth Group—Warwick Manse
	7 p.m.	A Chat with Bill Evertsberg—Online
Thur., Mar. 18	5 a.m.	Divine and Dusty: Embodied Prayers for Lent—Online
	7 p.m.	Exploring Grief Group—Online
Fri., Mar. 19	5 a.m.	Divine and Dusty: Embodied Prayers for Lent—Online
Sat., Mar. 20	5 a.m.	Divine and Dusty: Embodied Prayers for Lent—Online