



***Kensington Community Church***

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Friday, January 8, 2021

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**This Sunday, January 10, 2021, is Baptism of Christ Sunday.  
We will celebrate the Rite of Holy Communion during this Sunday's service.**

Our Worshipful Experience will be Available at 6:00 PM, Saturday, January 9,  
via our YouTube Channel, Facebook Page, and on our website.

**Sunday, January 10** – Sunday School meets via Zoom  
9:00 AM Pre-K to Kindergarten  
10:00 AM First Grade to Sixth Grade  
11:00 AM Youth

**Sunday, January 10**, at 12:00 PM – The Ministry of Worship & Nurture will meet via Zoom.

**Monday, January 11** – KPS opens for the Spring 2021 Semester.

**Monday, January 11**, at 7:00 PM – The Ministry of Mission & Outreach will meet via Zoom.

**Wednesday, January 13**, at 12:00 PM – KCC Noontime Bible Study will meet via Zoom.

**Wednesday, January 13**, at 6:30 PM – KCC Youth Group will meet via Zoom.

**Saturday, January 16**, at 3 PM – San Diego UCC Partnership of Churches MLK Film and Discussion Fellowship viewing of *SELMA* (more information below).

**Sunday, January 17** – Live Joint San Diego UCC Partnership of Churches Martin Luther King, Jr. Worship Service over Zoom.

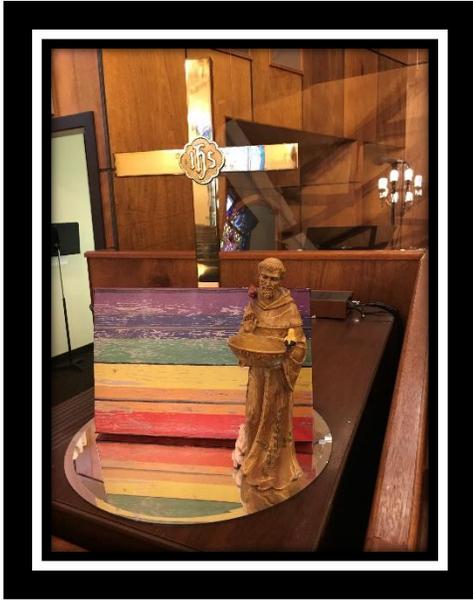
**Monday, January 18** – KCC & KPS will be closed in honor of the MLK Holiday.

**Monday, January 18**, at 10:30 AM – San Diego All People's Breakfast will meet virtually.

**Monday, January 18**, at 6:30 PM – Theology on Tap will meet via Zoom.

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-- A poem co-written by KCC Member, Richard Marcellus, and Pastor Darryl --



Saint Francis, The Cross, and the Pride Flag,  
May they always be companions,

in triune relationship - hand in hand, heart to heart -  
learning and leaning on each other toward freedom.

But is freedom what we need? or want? or what you offer?  
In the cross we see rejection and pain.  
In Brother Francis we see poverty.  
In the Pride Flag we see painful birth.

They are an unsolvable Three-Body-Problem,  
a random relationship of revolution and revelation  
an equation with a quotient that is likely to cause chaos,  
left with many remainders out of which comes peace.

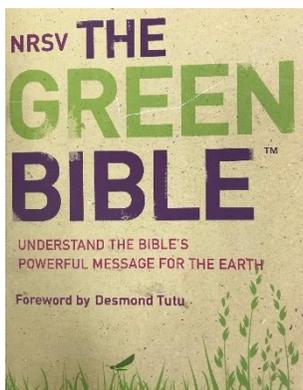
Snared between the sloth of despair,  
and the quiescence and stillness of awe,  
love struggles to be bodily born,  
to turn its hand to the music,  
of kaleidoscopic rainbowed love.

This is the covenant we are called to keep:  
to made instruments of thy peace,  
to not destroy the earth with weapons of mass destruction,  
to find redemption amid suffering.

And in the whisper of tomorrow, we hear the sacred words,  
"if you keep my covenant, I will be your God and you will be my people."

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## Noontime Bible Study



Our Noontime Bible Study continues Wednesday, January 13, from 12:00 – 1:00 PM. Join us for a time looking at the “Green Bible.” The Hebrew Bible and the Christian New Testament is full of stories, teachings, law, commandments, healings, and miracles that have an ecological focus and a creation care mandate. We invite you to join Pastor Darryl and your KCC friends for this provocative and inspiring Bible Study every Wednesday over Zoom.

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/97922705032>  
Zoom Meeting ID: 979 2270 5032  
Zoom Password: 152490

## KCC Annual Budget Meeting

Our Annual Budget Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 31, 2021 at 11:30 AM over Zoom. During the Meeting, we will hear a Budget Presentation from our Co-Treasurers, Bob Apgar, and Dick Wayman; we will also receive a “State of the Church Address” from Pastor Darryl and hear reports from our Ministry Teams.

Voting on the 2021 Proposed Budget will be conducted by mail-in ballots. Your vote is incredibly important! To help you vote, a mailer from the church office will be mailed to you. In the mailer, you will find a summary of the Proposed 2021 Budget, a Voting Card, and a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope.

We ask you prayerfully discern your vote in favor of the 2021 Proposed Budget or not and return your signed ballot to KCC in time to be collected on Thursday, January 28. Our Clerk, Penny Ward, will gather the ballots and present the vote totals during the Annual Budget Meeting. If you do not receive this mailer, please let us know in the church office.

There will also be a “Budget Informational Meeting” the week prior on January 24, at 11:30 AM for folks to ask our Treasurers and Pastor any questions they may have about the budget.

The Zoom link for both the Informational Meeting and the Annual Meeting are the same:

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/94530498866>  
Zoom Meeting ID: 945 3049 8866  
Zoom Password: 873508

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## MLK Weekend

Join your KCC friends and our kindred of the San Diego UCC Partnership of Churches to remember and be inspired by the life and ministry of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. There are three ways to celebrate Dr. King with the Partnership:

- Saturday, January 16 – Gather over Zoom at 3 PM to watch the film, *SELMA*, and join in a discussion around the movie’s themes.  
Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82236268597>  
Meeting ID: 822 3626 8597
- Sunday, January 17 – We will worship live starting at 10:30 AM with the San Diego UCC Partnership Churches in a Zoom worship service featuring a guest preacher, a jazz ensemble, special music, and hearing the words of Dr. King. The Zoom link will be published in next week’s Chimes as well as sent out the night before in our Worshipful Experience Constant Contact Email. The worship service will be recorded and uploaded to our YouTube Channel for future viewing.
- Monday, January 18 – Attend the virtual “All Peoples Breakfast” from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM to celebrate the legacy of Dr. King here in our city and region. This year’s keynote address will be delivered by UCC minister, the Rev. Dr. Yvette Flunder. Register for the breakfast at [www.alliancesd.org/all-peoples-celebration](http://www.alliancesd.org/all-peoples-celebration).

## Children's & Youth Sunday School



This Sunday, the young children continue learning about Moses. Check out the photos for Miss Marcia's creative lesson last Sunday with a "hill" and a real fire. While her class concentrates on Moses, the rest of the children and youth begin an exploration of the Beatitudes. Check your email for the printouts and if you



do not have a printer, please contact Miss Barb for a prompt delivery (Mobile: 619-694-8715, Email: [barbara.runco@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.runco@gmail.com)).

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83650533142?pwd=RG5RdWlub29QcDFuQjJrOWI5QjBXdz09>

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Passcode: 549472

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## KCC Youth Group

Here is hoping that the Youth Group can maintain the enthusiasm and attendance from last Wednesday night when they played the virtual game, Among Us. This Wednesday, we will celebrate birthdays, break bread together and plan some fun activities for the rest of the year.

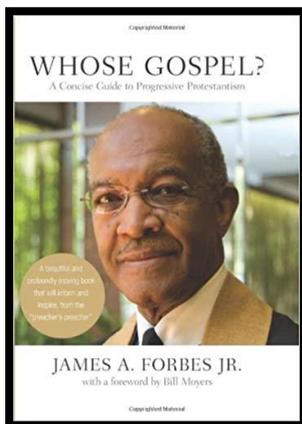
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## Theology on Tap



Our discussion group, Theology on Tap, is on hiatus until Monday, January 18, 2021. During the Spring of 2021, we will be discussing the themes and theology of the book, *WHOSE GOSPEL? A Concise Guide to Progressive Protestantism*, by the Rev. Dr. James A. Forbes, Jr.

Dr. Forbes is the former Senior Minister of the historic Riverside Church in New York City, and is a United Church of Christ minister in good standing through the UCC's ecumenical relationship with the American Baptists.

We encourage you to pick up the book and begin reading it in preparation for our ToT discussions in the Spring. Details of what chapters we will be discussing and Zoom links will be published in future Chimes.

Join us for these thought provoking and inspiring conversations about our faith and how we live into our mission and ministry here at KCC!

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## Transgender Advocacy Workshop

The San Diego UCC Partnership is sponsoring "Allyship Beyond the Binary: a faith-based gender identity workshop for cisgender allies." The workshop will be led by Jude Johnson, a UCC Seminarian whose focus in ministry is centered on Transgender acceptance and advocacy. This may be useful for those who are just starting on their journey to learn about gender diversity and justice issues for transgender and gender non-conforming folx.



The workshop will take place on Sunday, January 31, 2021, from 2-4:30 p.m. PST. There will be a link made available to the Zoom meeting on the date of the workshop, along with some worksheets that we will be using. To register, please contact Jude ([jude.jteves@gmail.com](mailto:jude.jteves@gmail.com)) with questions, or if you have any accessibility needs.

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## Rachel's House Dinner Service

Sunday, January 24 & 31

**At 4:45 PM** – Drop off Rachel's House items at KCC

**At 5:30 PM** – 16 Serve at Rachel's House if conditions continue to improve



Rachel's House provides services for homeless women in downtown San Diego.

KCC provides one meal a month for their night shelter. In January, KCC will provide TWO meals--on the 24th and the 31st! Its fantastic that the KCC community will make it happen, and I know we can do it.

We are serving twice in the month of January: The Jan. 24 serving will be covered by our Youth Group, but we need help on Jan. 31. Sign up to help with side dishes that Sunday here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc6Csp960HQMwScJM4hT4ISUzKnnV0CVSKu6nqWFQDUHxKTRQ/viewform>

Let Sara know if you have any questions or would like to help, email [kcc4rh@gmail.com](mailto:kcc4rh@gmail.com) or phone/text 857-222-0017.

STD for our 2021 Rachels' House Servings: February 28, March 28, April 25 (Confirmation Cohort will serve), May 30, June 27, July 25, August 29, September 26, October 31, November 28, and December 26

## **Staff Performance Reviews**

Every January, the Ministry of Personnel and Resource (MPR) evaluates our staff in a performance review on behalf of the congregation. Part of the review process is to ask the congregation for feedback on how well our Senior Minister (Pastor Darryl), our Director of Faith Formations (Barbara), and Director of Music (David) performed their respective roles as servant leaders of our church.

MPR would love to hear from you. If you have constructive feedback, a word of praise, or a suggestion for improvement for any of our staff, please email Kathy Moorhouse at [kathy.moorhouse@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.moorhouse@gmail.com). Kathy is a member of the Ministry of Personnel and Resource. All comments will be held in confidence by MPR and only used internally. MPR asks that you send your comment by Monday, January 18, 2021. Thank you.

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## **EL NIDO: A Mission Partner of Kensington Community Church**

KCC has been sponsoring an apartment through the Interfaith Shelter Network/El Nido (The Nest). These apartments are for women and children fleeing domestic violence. KCC furnishes one apartment unit in its entirety. Since publishing the donation list over the past several weeks, your response has been overwhelmingly supportive, and our donation list has grown shorter! Kensington Community Church parishioners have always answered the call for support with generosity. We truly thank you for your support.

Here are the items that remain on the list:

- 1 \$25 gift card for Food 4 Less
- 1 electric hand mixer (for cakes)
- 1 box of assorted pots and pans
- 4 bed pillows
- 1 full size bed in a bag
- 1 full size blanket
- 1 twin size blanket
- 1 iron and ironing board
- 1 step stool for a child
- 2 table lamps
- TV stand
- small desk and chair
- small bookcase
- small patio table with two chairs
- full length mirror (could be door mount mirror)
- Cash Donations Welcomed

If you have one of these items to donate, please take a photo and email to Marsha at [marshaleedodds@gmail.com](mailto:marshaleedodds@gmail.com) or Kris at [tamarack62@yahoo.com](mailto:tamarack62@yahoo.com).

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**Please Hold in Your Heart and Lift in Prayer:**

Alexis, Jason Artiaga, Steve Barclay, Naomi Bellamy, Bruce & Pam Biedebach, Fred E. Boone, Brian Brewster, Jan Burt and Family, Martha Ceriani, Jodi Cleesattle, Arthur Cook, Carolyn & Steve Davis, Frank Denz, Roy DiBello, Betsie Dudgeon, Jules Fish, Sheila Hauserman, Chuck & Irena Hukari, Pastor Darryl & all of our community, Chuck Lee, Barbara Murillo, Pat Perkins, Jordan Pierce, Linda Pierce, Larissa Ponce, Karla Pujol, Marie Pujol, Henry Ramos, Abra Rider, Stephanie Vigarion, St. John Walker, Tennie Wiggins, Debbie Williamson, and Renee Quick.

Prayers of support for Peggy Williams and the greater Williams family for the passing of Peggy's mom, the family and friends of Carol Bond (Donna Potter's sister), Susan Cox and her family for the passing of her brother, Bruce.

We also hold in our prayers for our nation to have a peaceful transition of power and healing, now that the election is over, victims of racial injustice in the US, Hong Kong, Iran, Israel/Palestine, the United Kingdom and the EU over Brexit, the Refugees from Latin America in Tijuana, Mexico, and those so directly affected by the coronavirus, particularly first responders, medical workers, and front line workers, those who have lost loved ones, our children and families, and all of those affected by the California fires.



**If you know of someone** who should be added to our bulletin prayer list (printed in Chimes and Church bulletins) or Confidential Prayer List (names known only by the Prayer Circle members), please let Lisa Scott Jones, Pastor Darryl, Mallie Odle or another member of the Prayer Circle) know. Members are Kathleen Buttici, Tracey Freeman, Louise Jacobus, Denice Madruga, Carla Mathison, Mallie Odle, Donna Potter, Jennifer Roberts, Gayle Trempe, Penny Ward, and Rich Wayman.