

This Sunday, May 2, 2021 The Fourth Sunday of Eastertide

Our Worshipful Experience will be available at 6:00 PM, Saturday, May 1, via our YouTube Channel, Facebook Page, and on our website.

Sunday, May 2

8:30 AM - In-Person Worship Service

9:30 AM - Miss Marcia's Class meets via Zoom

10:30 AM - In-Person Worship Service

12:00 PM - Council will meet via Zoom

7:00 PM - Spirit Haven Contemplative Service will meet via Zoom

Tuesday, May 4

10:00 AM - Women's Spirituality meets via Zoom

Wednesday, May 5

12:00 PM - Noon Bible Study meets via Zoom

6:30 PM - Youth Group meets via Zoom

Thursday

1:00 PM - The Ministry of Kensington Preschool will meet via Zoom

Sunday, May 9

8:30 AM - In-Person Worship Service

9:30 AM - Miss Marcia's Class meets via Zoom

10:00 AM - 1st grade through 6th grade

10:30 AM - In-Person Worship Service



Kensington Community Church

4773 Marlborough Drive San Diego, CA 92116 kensingtonucc.com info@kensingtonucc.com 619-284-1129 A hymn by Louise Ruspini based on Psalm 100 In honor of In-Person Worship beginning this Sunday at KCC

Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

Open yourself to the song. Open yourself to the song. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

Open your hearts everyone. Open your hearts everyone. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

Don't be afraid of some change. Don't be afraid of some change. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

SAVE THE DATE: Celebrate Connie Cleland's Legacy as our KPS Director



Friday, June 4, 2021 at 5:30 PM at Ward Canyon Park

More details will be coming soon about this celebration of Connie's time as our preschool director.

In the meantime, circle your calendars and plan to join current and former students, teachers, and community members in the joyous event!

Save the Date: The Annual Program Meeting

This year, our Annual Program Meeting will meet at 12:00 PM on Sunday, June 13, over Zoom. This is the meeting at which we elect our new Leadership and Ministry Teams for the upcoming year. We will also have a slate of agenda items for the congregation to vote on. More details coming soon. But please circle the date and make plans to attend.

In-Person Worship begins THIS Sunday, May 2, 2021 at 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

We will begin to worship on campus, in-person, inside our Sanctuary and Lander Hall!

Please be mindful of the time change for the second service - 10:30 AM

Each Worship Service will include music by our worship leaders, a sermon, a scripture reading, prayers, and pre-recorded pieces like the Children's Moment.

Each Worship Service will be streamed Live from the Sanctuary into Lander Hall

We will continue to make available our online Worshipful Experiences each Saturday evening at 6:00 PM. The Live Worship Services and the pre-recorded Worshipful Experience will be very similar but not exactly the same.

After you make a reservation, please consider using this checklist to prepare for worship.

- Please arrive a little early
- Please wear a Face-Covering while on-campus
- Please be mindful of your physical distance and follow the instructions of the Ushers
- Folks are invited to bring a beverage with a lid with them as there will be no coffee, juice, or treats provided by KCC
- We will prioritize Lander Hall for families with children and youth as there will be COVID-safe activities provided for them at the tables

To comply with the County Guidelines for Houses of Worship, we must limit the overall capacity of both the Sanctuary and Lander Hall to 40-45 people. To help us in this effort, and to keep everyone as safe as possible, we are asking folks to Sign Up before coming.

You can Sign-Up online or by calling into the KCC Office at 619-284-1129.

CLICK HERE FOR THE SIGN-UP SHEET!

If you are interested in being an Usher, please reach out to Pastor Darryl.

If you have any questions, or would like more information, please do not hesitate to reach out to Pastor Darryl (619-284-1129, ext. 305 or darryl@kensingtonucc.com).

The General Synod of the UCC & The Annual Gathering of the SCNCUCC



The General Synod of the United Church of Christ will be held virtually on July 11 thru July 18, 2021.

Registration for the General Synod opens on May 1.

The General Synod routinely offers dynamic preaching, inspiring music, and relevant workshops for both clergy and lay people. This since it is virtual, we can all attend and connect with our UCC friends from around the denomination!

To find out more information about the speakers, workshops, cost, and schedule of the General Synod, please visit <u>the General Synod website</u>.

The Annual Gathering of the Southern California Nevada Conference of the UCC will be held virtually on June 11 and June 12, 2021.

Annual Gathering is a great way to meet new friends and connect with old friends across the SCNC Conference. The SCNC is in the midst of transition, and there is no better time to get informed and get involved!

To find our more about the speakers, workshops, and programs of the SCNC Annual Gathering, please visit the <u>SCNC website</u>.

Noon Time Bible Study



Our Noontime Bible Study will meet this week, Wednesday, May 5 from 12:00 to 1:00 PM, over Zoom.

We begin our study of the second half of the Book of Acts. You are invited to read Chapter 20 ahead of time.

Join Pastor Darryl and your KCC friends for this inspiring Bible Study about the beginning of the Christian Church every Wednesday over Zoom.

Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/95968950899

Meeting ID: 959 6895 0899

Passcode: 549317

Children's & Youth Sunday School



This Sunday, May 2, Miss Marcia's class begins meeting at a new time, 9:30 AM. This will allow Miss Marcia and the Sunday School kids the opportunity to attend worship services in person with their own family! As a continuation of the story of Pentecost, they will learn how early Christians lived into Jesus' teachings and followed His loving actions. Please check

your email for supplies and use the Zoom link below to connect with your Sunday School community.

The first graders through sixth graders continue meeting on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. The youth do not have Sunday School in May, to give them an opportunity to attend worship.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83650533142

Meeting ID: 836 5053 3142

Passcode: 549472

KCC Youth Group - Meeting on Zoom on May 5

Youth Group will meet with Pastor Darryl on Zoom this Wednesday, May 5 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM via Zoom for a Cinco de Mayo themed Youth Group.

In May, the KCC Youth Group will meet in person twice a month. The next in-person meeting is on May 12 on the KCC lawn.

The Youth Group is planning a special event in June to welcome current sixth and seventh graders. This tradition tends to facilitate a smooth transition for new members by including them in festivities in June and a couple of summer events. In May, the parents, guardians and caregivers of current sixth and seventh graders, will receive an email invitation to this in-person event.

In-Person Summer Sunday School Program in July



Our children will <u>finally</u> spend time together in person for this special Creation Care-themed Sunday School Program in July. By moving and art-making, we will connect with God and nature. We will wear masks and physically distance, and there will be much joy and laughter.

This program, for children (3-year old to 6th graders), takes place at different outdoor locations including Ward Park, Chollas Lake and Mission Trails. Parents will be able to leave for the duration of the class to grab a coffee or go for a walk.

Rachel's House Dinner Service Sunday, May 30?

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

Rachel's House provides services for homeless women in downtown San Diego. KCC provides one meal a month for their night shelter.

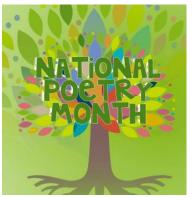
We served dinner on Sunday, April 25. Elizabeth made a spaghetti sauce with sausage, Sara made the spaghetti, Jodi made a vegetarian sauce with veggie meatballs, Bonnie brought a salad, Beth brought her famous broccoli salad, Azar brought roasted veggies,



Carla brought drinks and toiletries, Joanne brough garlic bread, and Lily made cookie dough fudge for dessert. Thank you everyone!!!

May's meal will be on May 30th, Memorial Day weekend. We will be making a summer-themed "picnic" with roasted sandwiches. To sign up for chips, salad, fruit, or drinks use this link: Rachel's House Dinner Sign Up. Let Sara know if you have any questions or would like to help, email kcc4rh@gmail.com or phone / text 857-222-0017.

Theology on Tap



Our discussion group, Theology on Tap, returns Monday, May 17 at 6:30 PM via Zoom.

In honor of National Poetry Month (which was April), we will be offering our favorite poems and looking at some of the "lesser" known poems found in our Biblical Scriptures. You are invited to bring one poem to share with the group (two if they are shorter). The poem you share can be about anything that moves and inspires you, it can be one you

wrote yourself or one written by another poet past or present.

This is always one of our favorite ToT! So come join us and hear some good poetry and be moved by the songwriters in our Bible.

Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/98256273807

Meeting ID: 982 5627 3807

Passcode: 328263

Women's Spirituality

May 4, 2021 at 10 AM over Zoom

Women's Spirituality meets at 10 AM the first Tuesday of the month via Zoom. In May, we will read Diana Butler Bass's Freeing Jesus

https://dianabutlerbass.com/books/freeing-jesus/

Here's a link to an interview with her about the book: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TlbkApH-19k



Please join us. Don't worry if you haven't read the book. Our conversations range broadly and spontaneously. For more information call Sharon Young (Mobile: 619-675-8582).

Zoom link: https://zoom.us/j/98023784567



Spirit Haven Contemplative Service

May 2, 2021 at 7 PM over Zoom

You are invited to a time to listen to the still small Voice, a time of grow closer to the Holy, a time of being still. This service includes a spiritual reading or two followed by a time of silence for contemplation.

- Find a quiet place in your home where you can be restful for an hour: a quiet corner, a comfy recliner. Light a candle. Dim the lights. Play some soft music.
- Let your spirit find calm and a haven for an hour of renewal. Allow this time to refresh you, renew you, reinvigorate your very being. May you draw closer to a knowing of Spirit within you and guiding you.

Led by Paula Elizabeth, Paula is an ordained minister, a spiritual director, a coach for clergy, congregations and leaders, and a counselor. She has been leading contemplative services for many years as well as offering other contemplative practices.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86350733473

Meeting ID: 863 5073 3473

Passcode: 700962

Please Hold in Your Heart and Lift in Prayer:

Alexxis, Jason Artiaga, Diane Balletta and Family, Steve Barclay, Naomi Bellamy, Fred E. Boone, Brian Brewster, Gay Brown, Jan Burt and Family, Martha Ceriani, Tricia Connolly, Arthur Cook, Carolyn & Steve Davis, Frank Denz, Roy DiBello, Betsie Dudgeon, Little Eli, Jules Fish, Thom Hartje, Sheila Hauserman, Chuck Lee, Rich Lo Russo, Jenny Minor, Barbara Murillo, Pastor Darryl, Pat Perkins, Jordan Pierce, Linda Pierce, Larissa Ponce, Karla Pujol, Marie Pujol, Henry Ramos, Abra Rider, Stephanie Vigarion, St. John Walker, Diana Ward, Tennie Wiggins, and Renee Quick.

Prayers of support for Susan Cox and her family for the passing of her brother, Bruce, and Michelle Turner on the passing of her father.

We also hold in our prayers for our community, state, and national leaders, the communities of Boulder, CO, and Atlanta, GA, victims of racial injustice in the US, especially the AAPI Community and Minneapolis, MN, the girls in our convention center and all migrants, the peoples of India, Myanmar, Hong Kong, Iran, Israel/Palestine, Europe, Chad, the unaccompanied minors arriving at the US Boarder. Refugees from Latin America in Tijuana, Mexico, and those so directly affected by the coronavirus, particularly first responders, medical workers, and frontline workers, those who have lost loved ones, our children, and families.