



Sunday, August 7

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Join us live in-person at 8:30 AM or 10:30 AM. Or Live Stream our 10:30 AM Worship Service on the KCC [Website](#), [Facebook Page](#) and [YouTube Channel](#), on Sunday, August 7.

Saturday, August 6

10:00 AM Taoist Tai Chi Class

Sunday, August 7 – Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 AM In-Person Worship

9:15 AM Friendship Hour will be hosted in the Courtyard

10:30 AM In-Person Worship Service

11:30 AM Friendship Hour will be hosted in the Courtyard

Tuesday, August 9

10:00 AM Women's Spirituality Via Zoom

6:45 PM Yoga with Jerome

Thursday, August 11

5:30 PM Yoga with Sünje

6:00 PM MFS meets via Zoom

Saturday, August 13

10:00 AM Taoist Tai Chi Class

Sunday, August 14 – Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 AM In-Person Worship

9:15 AM Friendship Hour will be hosted in the Courtyard

10:30 AM In-Person Worship Service

➤ Following the Children's Moment, Children and Youth will watch a movie in Lander Hall

11:30 AM Friendship Hour will be hosted in the Courtyard

Loss of a Beloved KCC Member



Please lift up your hearts and prayers for the family of Carolyn Davis. We were saddened to hear from her husband, Steve, that Carolyn passed away on Tuesday, July 26, 2022. Carolyn and Steve had a long and active history at KCC, and were married here in 1964. They had the honor of being KCC's 50-year Jubilee members! Carolyn founded the Kensington Preschool in 1972 and was beloved by all who knew her here at KCC.

Services are not planned. If anyone would like to send condolences, please contact Donna in the church office for Steve's address.

Update from the Pastoral Search Committee

Friday, July 22, 2022



The Pastoral Search Committee continues to meet weekly and adds additional meetings as needed. We have been meeting with Kris Bergstrom, the acting UCC Conference Minister for Nevada and Southern California.

Following her advice and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Committee has decided to seek a designated term minister. Previously, we posted the position for an interim/bridge minister. If we had stayed with the option of the interim/bridge minister, that minister could not have been considered as a candidate for our settled minister position. The designated term minister would be hired for a specific period of time, and at the end of that term, that minister could be hired as our settled minister.

This change will allow the congregation to get to know the minister before we make an offer. When their term is completed, if both parties agree, we would move forward with a permanent call agreement. Another benefit of the designated term minister would be a larger pool of candidates who might be willing to relocate for the right church.

The process is going well and the Committee is working hard to find a pastor who is a good fit for KCC. We will keep you posted on our progress and please continue to pray for wisdom and patience during this process.

Kate Garcia, Molly Gee, Scot Gentry, Carol Hill, Louise Jacobus, Kay-Marie Moreno, Eve Paris, Kurt Stoney and Jim Veskerna (Committee Chair).

Give a Child a Wonderful Start for the 2022 to 2023 School Year



Each year, KCC partners with the staff of the San Diego Refugee Tutoring Program at Ibarra Elementary School to provide students with the best possible start to the school year. As part of the congregation's effort to provide just opportunities for education and quality of life for all, please contribute your time, talents, and resources to these important mission opportunities. Your donations will be distributed at the annual Back-to-School Bash.

Donate to the SDRT Amazon Wishlists

Please hit "Buy" in your Amazon Cart before Wednesday, August 10.



Donate to the Wishlist for Backpacks and School Supplies*



Donate to the Clothing Essentials Wishlist*



Donate to the Hygiene Essentials Wishlist*

**KCC's
Donation
Goal: 40
Backpacks**

* You can send the items directly to SDRT when choosing the shipping address for distribution at the Back-to-School Bash.



Volunteer at the SDRT Back-to-School Bash on Saturday, August 20

SDRT needs 10-12 KCC folks to volunteer at booths and help out families as they "shop" for back-to-school supplies.

Please sign up for one or two shifts on SignUpGenius

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E054AA5AA2EA1FD0-ibarra>

or in the back of the sanctuary by August 12.

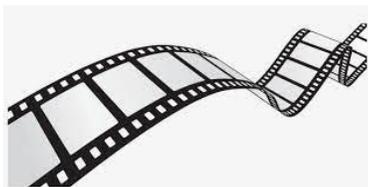
Faith Formation News

Youth Group

The beach bonfire was a great success! Thanks to Alexis Estey for holding the spot for the youth, Enrique Dudley for setting up a beautiful bonfire, the parents for schlepping to Mission Bay on a weeknight, and especially to the youth for generously inviting new members into the conversation and for bringing your adventurous spirit.

If you would like to receive youth group emails, for the 2022-2023 school year, please contact Barb (barbara@kensingtonucc.com).

Children and Youth Faith Formation



Movies in Sunday School

Please join us Sunday, August 14, 28 and September 4 for movies and snacks. There is no Sunday School on Sunday, August 7 and 21.

The 2022 Summer Sunday School Program

It's a wrap! Last Sunday, the children and youth finished the summer Sunday School Program. In the last class of the rainbow-themed program, they focused on their covenant with God to take care of the earth, including all living beings. Each group created a scene of 3-dimensional animal scenes made from air-dry clay.



Descriptions begin on the left and move clockwise. Everett with a blue mountain lion and two transformers, and Luz holding a monkey and whale. On the top green plate: a blue crane, red fox, blue cat and red leopard. On the bottom green plate: two white lions eating a baby tropical bird, and a cactus with a yellow flower.

Summer Office Hours



The KCC office will be open Monday-Thursday, 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM.
The office will be closed every Friday through Labor Day weekend.

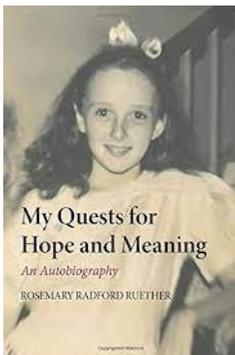
Pastoral Support

This summer, the UCC Partnership clergy has graciously offered pastoral care and assistance while the search team is hard at work identifying our designated term minister. Please contact the office and you will be connected to a Partnership clergy.

Summer Staff Roles at KCC

While the search committee identifies the designated term minister, our Member-in-Discernment, Stephen Colón, has been creating and leading the worship services. Donna Hanson is back as a temporary Office Administrator through the summer months. Barbara Runco is taking on some executive responsibilities for the summer months and will continue to work on faith formation activities for the children and youth.

Women's Spirituality Meets Over Zoom on Tuesday, September 6 at 10:00 AM



Join your KCC friends via Zoom to discuss Rosemary Radford Ruether's book, *My Quests for Hope and Meaning: An Autobiography*. As a feminist theologian and liberation theologian, Ruether is known for advocating for, and seeking justice for women, the poor, people of color, the Middle East and the Earth. She was a scholar, teacher, activist, and author who died recently, in May 2022. On Tuesday, September 6, at 10:00 AM, the group will discuss *Chapter 4*.

Women's Spirituality meets the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 AM via Zoom. For more information, please contact Sharon Young or the front office.

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87269378449>

Meeting ID: 872 6937 8449

Passcode: 049398

Vacation Time!

Barb continues her vacation through Monday, August 8. If you need assistance, please contact the summer Office Administrator, Donna Hanson.



Rachel's House Dinner Service August Meal –

Sunday, August 28

Rachel's House provides services for women in downtown San Diego. KCC helps by preparing one dinner a month. In July, the meal was on the 31st.

Azar sponsored the meal and made turkey meatloaf with BBQ sauce. Sara made mashed potatoes. Lael made green beans. Gayle brought a salad, cucumbers and apples. Clydene brought bread and drinks. And Lily made lemon cookies. It was a wonderful meal!

Jodi is sponsoring the next meal on August 28th! We will be making Italian breaded chicken with risotto and roasted vegetables. We need donations for salad, bread, drinks, and dessert--and 2-3 people to help serve. To sign up, contact Sara by phone or text at 857-222-0017, or sign up at the google doc [CLICK HERE](#) (link also available at the KCC website kensingtonucc.com under Serve/Your Neighbors or on the main page in the link to Weekly Prayers and Announcements).

Interested in sponsoring a meal by making the main entree? We need someone to sponsor the meal on October 30th. Let Sara know if you are interested!





- 1 Jen Roberts; Jennifer Trempe-Thomas
- 3 Rebecca Soto
- 4 Dara Hamblin; Ron Morebello
- 5 Mike Trempe
- 6 Jonas Gentry
- 7 Debbie Loomis; Ashley Schamu
- 8 Maya Rios; Ciaran Thomas
- 9 Katie Loomis
- 10 Charlie Havens
- 12 Sheryl Chaffee
- 13 Vicki Apgar
- 16 Edith Mason
- 17 Marilyn Cooper-Ongley
- 18 Johnathan Noah
- 19 Jumi Onimole
- 24 Eve Paris
- 28 Joan Wayman



Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers this week are provided by Debbie Loomis, in honor of three generations of August birthdays: Debbie, Katie, and Debbie's mom, Ann.

Altar Flower Availabilities



Weekly altar flowers are a special way to honor or remember a loved one or to celebrate a special event. We have availabilities starting on August 21. You can sign up to provide altar flowers and have that event or person noted right here in the weekly Prayers and Announcements.

You can sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e054aa5aa2ea1fd0-altar> or on the church office door in the hall. Please let Donna in the office know what sentiment you'd like. The cost is a \$38 donation and you can pay in-person or [online via paypal](#).

This week's prayer was written by Walter Rauschenbusch.

The Beauty of Nature

O God, we thank you for this earth, our home;
For the wide sky and the blessed sun,
For the salt sea and the running water,
For the everlasting hills
And the never-resting winds,
For trees and the common grass underfoot.
We thank you for our senses
By which we hear the songs of birds,
And see the splendor of the summer fields,
And taste of the autumn fruits,
And rejoice in the feel of the snow,
And smell the breath of the spring.
Grant us a heart wide open to all this beauty;
And save our souls from being so blind
That we pass unseeing
When even the common thorn bush
Is aflame with your glory,
O God our creator,
Who lives and reigns forever and ever



If you know of someone who should be added to our *Chimes prayer list or Confidential Prayer Circle List, please let Donna know at office@kensingtonucc.com

*Names will remain on the Prayer lists four months (or longer if we receive updated information about them).

Prayer Circle Members include: Cindy Nabizadeh, Kathleen Buttici, Tracey Freeman, Louise Jacobus, Denice Madruga, Carla Mathison, Richard Marcellus, Mallie Odle, Donna Potter, Jennifer Roberts, Barbara Runco, Gayle Trempe, Penny Ward, and Rich Wayman.

Please Hold in Your Heart and Lift in Prayer:

John Aydelot, Steve Davis, Eva Duarte, Betsie Dudgeon, Robert Farrell, Karen Johnson, Eileen Kearns, Kristina Kinsley & Family, Kate M, Liz Matus & her family, Michelle, Pastor Darryl, Tom Pinto & his family, Gloria, Elvin & Rashad Pouncey, Randy, Roberta, Christina Siau & her family, Evelyn Soria, Kathy Sullivan, Marcel Varoz, Sheila Veskerna, Bill Ward, Dick Wayman, and JoAnne Zeek and the Krebsbachs.

Prayers of support for the friends and family of Carolyn Davis, for the friends and family of Eric "Squeak" Fager, for the Barnier Family after the passing of John Barnier; the Kistler Family after the passing of Roger Kistler, Pastor Darryl's father, and Dennis Kistler, Pastor Darryl's uncle; the Bishop family on the passing of Kate Bishop's mother Anne-Marie Harvey; the Rich LoRusso family on the passing of Rich LoRusso, the Denz family on the passing of Frank Denz, and the Pinto family and his partner, Vicki King, on the passing of Tom Pinto.

We pray for all touched by the recent gun violence throughout the nation, in too many places to even list. Events in Tennessee, Pennsylvania, and elsewhere. All those touched by the mass shooting at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, TX; families and victims of shootings at the grocery store in Buffalo, NY, and the July 4th parade in Highland Park, IL.

We pray for those harmed by the events that shake our world. Most recently, we pray for the victims of flooding in Kentucky. We pray for those affected by the severe heat and devastating fires in Europe, including fires in Portugal, Spain, France, and Greece. We pray for those affected by the Oak Fire near Yosemite National Park. We pray for the victims of the Russian invasion of Ukraine; the domestic terror attack at the synagogue in Colleyville, TX; the people of Tonga as they recover from the volcano eruptions and tidal wave; the people of Afghanistan, in particular, the victims of gender violence; our community, state, and national leaders; victims of racism in the US; and those directly affected by the

coronavirus, especially places with low vaccination rates or with limited vaccines available. We pray for the victims of the earthquakes in Afghanistan, Iraq, and surrounding countries; and for the families now grieving the loss of more than one thousand loved ones there.

We pray for trans and queer youth this week, for a national community that would seek to protect, rather than harm them.

We pray for abortion providers and patients, and for all who will ever want or need an abortion.

