

# This Sunday, May 9, 2021 The Fifth Sunday of Eastertide Mother's Day

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## **Kensington Community Church**

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### The Polynesian Maori Alternative Version of the Lord's Prayer

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven: The hallowing of your name echo through the universe; The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world; Your heavenly will be done by all created beings; Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trial too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

# **Save the Date: The Annual Program Meeting**

This year, our Annual Program Meeting will meet at **12:30 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. The agenda and the new leadership and ministry teams will be published in the Chimes on Friday, May 28.

Please circle the date and make plans to attend! Your voice and vote are so important as we discern where God is leading us in this upcoming Program Year!

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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.

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- 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, to help us in this effort, and to keep everyone as safe as possible, we are limiting our overall capacity of both the Sanctuary and Lander Hall to 40-45 people. We ask folks please Sign Up before attending.

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### 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. 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 **the General Synod website**.

# 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!

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# **KCC Youth Group - Meeting in Person on May 12**

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In May, the KCC Youth Group will meet in person twice a month (May 12 & 19). In June, Youth Group meets in person and reconvenes on Wednesday nights in the fall. Although, there will be a couple of special summer events that we are in the process of planning. The next in-person meeting is on May 19.

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 in 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.

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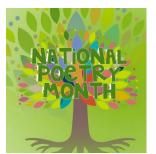


We served dinner on Sunday, April 25. Elizabeth made a spaghetti sauce with sausage, Sara made the spaghetti, Jodi made a vegetarian sauce with veggie meatballs, Bonnie brought a salad, Beth brought her famous broccoli salad, Azar brought roasted veggies, Carla brought drinks and toiletries, Joanne brough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

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# 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!

### **In-Person Summer Sunday School Program in July**



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#### **Schedule and Locations**

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# A Night with Jojo's Sanctuary: Wednesday, May 26 at 7:00 PM



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

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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.



# This Sunday, May 16, 2021 The Sixth Sunday of Eastertide

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### Thursday, May 20

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# A Prayer for Mental & Emotional Health Awareness Sunday Written by Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund, UCC Minister for Disabilities and Mental Health Justice

God of love, stir within us deep compassion
for people living with brain disorders and their families.
Raise awareness of how we can create a supportive and safe spiritual community
for people who feel isolated, shunned, and shamed.
Inspire us to reach out in love as a sig of your radical hospitality and grace.
Encourage us to receive the gifts that are given by all,
including those who are living with mental and emotional health challenges.
In Christ name we pray this.

Amen.

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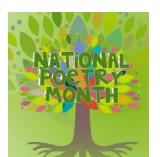
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# Come Celebrate Connie Cleland's Legacy as our KPS Director Friday, June 4 2021 at 5:30 PM at Ward Canyon Park



Join us as we celebrate the amazing legacy and leadership Connie provided to our school for over 19 years!

Please keep in mind that you ought to bring your own lawn/beach chair and beverage. Please note that dinner will not be provided but celebratory cake will be served!

We also know many of you enjoyed Connie's friendship and valued her contributions to our school greatly over the years. So, you might like to help with the special celebration.

You can do so by:

- Writing a note or card to Connie which we will present to her on 4 June 2021. Please mail your card or note to KCC so that it arrives at KCC by Thursday 3 June.
- Making a donation to KCC to be used towards the cost of the retirement party. To make a donation, you can visit the <u>GIVE</u> page on our website; please put in the memo box that your gracious gift is for "Connie's Retirement." Or you may mail in a check to the church; again, please write in the memo line, "Connie's Retirement."

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On the last Wednesday of the month, May 26, the Youth Group meets via Zoom. In June, Youth Group meets in person on June 2 and 9. Then the group takes a break with the exception of a couple of special summer events that in the works. In the fall, the group will reconvene with new members and meet on Wednesday nights. The next in-person meeting is on June 2.

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5:30 PM Serving at Rachel's House

A Prayer for Pentecost Sunday, written by Pope John Paul II

O Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Pentecost, help me to clarify what is ambiguous, Give warmth to what is indifferent, enlighten what is obscure, And be before the world a true and generous witness of Christ's love, For no one can live without love. Amen

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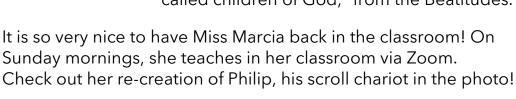
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### **Children's & Youth Sunday School**

This Sunday, May 23, Miss Marcia's class meets at 9:30 AM and the first graders through sixth graders meet at 10 AM. The youth do not have Sunday School in May, to give them the opportunity to attend worship.



This Sunday, the little ones will explore Saul's Conversion and the first graders through sixth graders will dig into the scripture verse, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God," from the Beatitudes.





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

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

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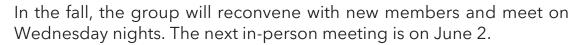
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### A Poem written by KCC Member, Chris Bosworth.



Chris wrote this poem at the 2021 KCC Spring Retreat at Camp Stevens. It tells his story of living with Bipolar Disorder, a life lived with courage and hope. Chris now offers his <u>WISE</u> poem to you as we walk through Mental Health Awareness Month. Thank you, Chris, for sharing your story with us, we love you!

When growing up
It was hard to find consistency
Everything was tentative
And beyond control to me

Life was not perfect
Though I wanted it that way
All alone in my own little world
And I longed for it to be ok

You could look at me And would never know That I am afflicted With a loss of control

When I hit rock bottom
It was revealed to me
That there was help
All I had to do was say 'please'

I'm now listening to those
That have been there before
Taking the required medication
So that I can soar

Looking back over the years Seeing how far I have come I am filled with much gratitude And living in the rays of the sun

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

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# This Sunday, May 30, 2021 Memorial Day Weekend

Our Worshipful Experience will be available at 6:00 PM, Saturday, May 29, via our YouTube Channel, Facebook Page, and on our website.

### Sunday, May 30 - Memorial Day Weekend

| 8:30 AM  | In-Person Worship Service    |
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| 10:30 AM | In-Person Worship Service    |
| 4:45 PM  | Rachel's House Food Drop-Off |
| 5:30 PM  | Serving at Rachel's House    |

#### Monday, May 31

KCC & KPS will be closed in honor of Memorial Day

### Tuesday, June 1

KCC Office will be open to the public

6:30 PM In-Person Ice Cream Social for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Graders

### Wednesday, June 2

| 12:00 PM | Noon Bible Study meets via Zoom   |
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| 6:30 PM  | Youth Group meets on the KCC lawn |

#### Friday, June 4

| 9:00 AM | Worshipful Experience Recording                             |
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| 5:30 PM | Connie Cleland's Retirement Celebration at Ward Canyon Park |

#### Sunday, June 6 Graduation Sunday!

| 8:30 AIVI | in-Person worship Service          |
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| 9:30 AM   | Miss Marcia's Class meets via Zoom |
| 10:30 AM  | In-Person Worship Service          |
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### A Prayer in honor of Memorial Day

Written by the Rev. Dr. Amy Piatt

God of Justice, God of Peace, please renew in us a determination to be peacemakers. On this day, we pray for our veterans, who served in the Armed Forces, their families and loved ones; we especially pray for those who have seen combat and those who have lost their lives in our many armed conflicts.

We confess that war is a breakdown in the way you call us to live.

And we ask for forgiveness for the people, communities, and pieces of creation that have been damaged by war big and small.

We offer a prayer of hope that military people across the world will find themselves with no war-making jobs to do.

We pray that we would do our part to make that so.

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We pray that the seed of peace would take root in all of our hearts and would sprout into saplings of unity.

We pray this in the name of Christ. Amen.

# The Annual Program Meeting Sunday, June 13 at 12:30 PM over Zoom



This year, our Annual Program Meeting will meet at 12:30 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 receive a State of the Church Address from Pastor Darryl, hear from our new Preschool Director, Adriana DiCarlo, get an update from our Director of Faith Formations, Barbara Runco, and vote on the slate of

leaders for our 2021/22 Program Year. The agenda and the new leadership teams will be published in the Chimes on Friday, June 4.

Please circle the date! The Zoom information for the Annual Meeting will be published in future Chimes.

Your voice and vote are so important as we discern where God is leading us in this upcoming Program Year! Please make all efforts to attend.

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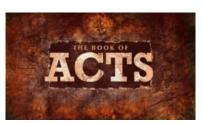
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 Ice Cream Sandwich Social on June 1 from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM on the KCC Lawn Join your buddies to catch up, play some games and enjoy some tasty treats. This is an exclusive event for new Youth Group members. Please bring a chair and if you cannot eat beforehand, please bring your dinner.



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An Anti-Racism Conversation for Faith Communities Designed to Address Racial Inequalities & Build Up Beloved Community



The Ministry of Mission and Outreach invites you to come into a safe and sacred time to listen to each other's stories and build beloved community.

Using a workshop designed by the San Diego Interfaith Community Services, we will hear testimonies from neighbors from across faith traditions, races, genders, cultures, & ethnicities. This workshop will be led by KCC but our Partnership Church friends have been invited to join us. The workshop is not only open to our adults, but our youth are invited as well to join us.

Our conversation will take place over three sessions. Please make every effort to attend all three. The first two sessions will be held over Zoom and the final session will meet safely in-person.

**Dates:** Friday, June 25, 7:00-8:30 PM (Zoom)

Saturday, June 26, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM (Zoom)

Sunday, June 27, 1:30 PM-3:30 PM (In-Person)

Please RSVP for this wonderful opportunity using the link below:



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### Watch Heather Askew's Jojo's Sanctuary Presentation



Did you miss the Jojo's Sanctuary Mission Moment this past Wednesday night? No worries. You can watch it at your own leisure using the link and passcode below. Thank you again to Heather for joining us from Thailand. And please continue to pray for her, her staff, and the good work they are doing to strengthen families and protect children.

<u>Please click here to access the Zoom recording.</u>
Passcode: 5JS5pSf=

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