Kingston Springs United Methodist Church

May 22, 2022

Greeting and Announcements

Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Prelude When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise

Rheatta Petty

Choir

Introit Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Call to Worship Jack Arnold

Long ago, our ancestors asked for God's name; God became known as the great "I Am."

"The Alpha and the Omega"

"The Alpha and the Omega,"

"The First and the Last,"

"The Beginning and the End,"
"The Bright Morning Star."

Come, worship God,

"Who was and who is and who is to come, The Almighty."

Hymn Love Divine, All Loves Excelling UMH 384

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown!

Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit;
let us find that second rest.
Take away our bent to sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return and never,

nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee; changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Anthem Kum Ba Yah Choir

Prayers of the People: Joys and Concerns

Leader: Lord, in your mercy, People: Hear our prayers.

Scripture Reading Rev. 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 Jack Arnold

Missional Giving

Our FUEL offering provides snacks for children in need at Kingston Springs Elementary School.

Children's Message

Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Hymn Fairest Lord Jesus

UMH 189

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son, thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

Sermon How Long, O Lord? Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Offertory Prayer Jack Arnold

Offertory Precious Lord, Take My Hand Jeff Jeffrey

G.R Davis

Doxology UMH 95

Prayer of Confession

God of justice, whenever we settle for the way things are instead of the way love would have them to be, forgive us. Whenever we are paralyzed by fear or limited in vision, increase our trust in you. Whenever we offer charity, but fail to work for justice, show us the more excellent way that love requires. Whenever we tire of the struggle and tomorrow feels overwhelming, restore our hope. Whenever we forget those who have gone before us or act as if we are the only ones who are trying, allow us to recognize our arrogance. May the witness of justice-seekers encourage us to be dreamers for all the world's sake. Amen.

Words of Assurance

In the beginning was God, and at the end will be God, and in every moment in between, there is God: creating, redeeming, and sustaining us. And through Christ, gracious love is poured into us; through the Spirit, peace and justice becomes the gift we can share with the world. Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 15

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere... and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ...

...as we proclaim the mystery of death:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here...

...all honor and glory is yours, now and forever. Amen

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.

Prayer after Receiving

Hymn I Need Thee Every Hour

UMH 397

I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like thine can peace afford.

Refrain:

I need thee, O I need thee; every hour I need thee;

O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee.

I need thee every hour; stay thou nearby; temptations lose their power when thou art nigh. (Refrain)

I need thee every hour, in joy or pain; come quickly and abide, or life is vain. (Refrain)

I need thee every hour; teach me thy will; and thy rich promises in me fulfill. (Refrain)

I need thee every hour, most Holy One; O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son. (Refrain)

Commission and Blessing Rev. Kelli Hamilton

Benediction Song Sweet Hour of Prayer Jeff Jeffrey G.R Davis

Call to Worship by Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell as posted on Rev-o-lution.

Prayer of Confession adapted from Pullen Memorial Baptist Church, worship on Martin Luther King Day, 2007. Words of Assurance adapted from a prayer by Thom Shuman as posted on Lectionary Liturgies.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

KELLI AWAY THIS WEEKEND

Kelli will be out of town this weekend beginning on Thursday. If you have an emergency and need to contact someone from the church, please contact our Lay Leader, Bob Sanders at 615-642-6437.

HAMILTON GOODBYE LUNCH

There will be a goodbye lunch for the Hamilton family on Sunday, June 12 following the worship service. Their last Sunday with us will be June 19.

KELLI'S ORDINATION

Kelli will be ordained at Annual Conference on Thursday, June 16 at 7p at Brentwood UMC. The service will be livestreamed at twkumc.org/AC2022 if you would like to watch.

MONTHLY GIVING

Through April, it takes \$56,760 to run the church and its programs. Through April, the church has received \$54,236 from all sources.

WEEKLY CALENDAR EVENTS

SUNDAY

Sunday School - 9:15a Worship - 10:30a

WEDNESDAY

Children's Music & More Class: 6:30-7:30p Adult Bible Study: 6:30-7:30p

THURSDAY

Choir Practice – 6:30p

AA COMFORT ZONE

Meets in the Oak House on Sundays at 4p, Tuesdays at 7p, Wednesdays at 12p, Thursdays at 7p, Fridays 11:30a (Women's Group) and Saturdays at 10:30a.

Prayer requests can be submitted online at ksumc.org/prayer or given to Pastor Kelli.

If you would like to receive the church's digital newsletter, email Pastor Kelli.

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