Keene Valley Congregational Church United Church of Christ July 7, 2024



Food for the Hungry

WE GATHER IN CELEBRATION

MEDITATION Amy Nelson

WELCOME

WELCOMING MUSIC Meadowmount

HYMN

Come, Come, Whoever You Are

OPENING READING

excerpted and adapted from A Hidden Wholeness by Parker J. Palmer

We all need other people to invite, amplify, and help us discern our inner teacher's voice for at least three reasons:

- The journey toward inner truth is too taxing to be made solo: lacking support, the solitary traveler soon becomes weary or fearful and is likely to quit the road.
- The path is too deeply hidden to be traveled without company: finding our way involves clues that are subtle and sometimes misleading, requiring the kind of discernment that can happen only in dialogue.
- The destination is too daunting to be achieved alone: we need community to find the courage to venture into the alien lands to which the inner teacher may call us.

Let us be thankful for this community, for all of us who gather together this morning whether online, onsite, or in spirit. For we truly do respond to our inner teacher's invitation to walk the Way, in communion with God and with each other. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Lighting the Candle of Peace

Greeting Each Other in Peace

WE SHARE SACRED CONVERSATION

SPECIAL MUSIC

Meadowmount

YOUTH MESSAGE Henri Jordan

PRAYER

Period of Silent Meditation

Prayers and 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory Amy Nelson

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*Doxology

To God, all honor and delight,
To Christ revealed in earthly night
To God the Spirit now we raise
Our joyful songs of thankful praise. Amen.

*Unison Prayer of Dedication

God, we pray that you receive these offerings and transform them into extraordinary blessings. Where your children cry, may they be used to bring joy. Where your children have forgotten to care, may they be used to open hearts. Where your children look within, may they be used to invite all of us to look without. Amen.

COMMUNION

Scripture Psalm 146:5 – 10

Reflection Food for the Hungry The Rev. John Sampson

Hymn We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table

Invitation and Welcome

Prayer of Consecration

Sharing of the Elements

Thanksgiving After the Meal

WE RETURN TO THE WORLD

HYMN This Is My Song

CHARGE based on Micah 6:8

One: As we leave our sanctuary today, and meet again the joys and challenges of our lives and of all Creation, let us remember what God requires of us throughout the upcoming week:

All: To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Amy Nelson

Today's Worship Leadership:

Minister – The Rev. John Sampson Assistant – Joanne Husslein
Ushers – Katharine Preston & John Bingham
Coffee Hour – Carol & Jimm Blakeslee-Collin
Flowers – Alana Both Accompanist – Amy Nelson
Zoom Administrator – David Craig
Procurement of Ushers/Worship Assistants – Merle Tanis
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We're Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table





This Week @ KVCC:

| Day | Time | Activity |
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| Sunday | 7:00 AM | Centering Prayer – Via Zoom |
| | 10:00 AM | Worship – In-person and via Zoom |
| Monday | 7:00 AM | Centering Prayer – Via Zoom |
| | | Pastor's Day Off |
| Tuesday | 7:00 AM | Centering Prayer – Via Zoom |
| | | Pastor's Day Off |
| Wednesday | 7:00 AM | Centering Prayer – Via Zoom |
| | 4:30 PM | Choir – Sanctuary |
| | 4:30 PM | Post Card Signing - VSR |
| Thursday | 7:00 AM | Centering Prayer – Via Zoom |
| | 8:00-4:00 PM | Liz in Office |
| | 10:30 AM | Neighborhood House-In person |
| | 1:00-3:00 PM | Pastor John in Office |
| Friday | 7:00 AM | Centering Prayer – Via Zoom |
| | 9:00 AM | Prayer Group |
| | 1:00-3:00 PM | Pastor John in Office |
| Saturday | 7:00 AM | Centering Prayer – Via Zoom |
| | 9:00 AM | Faith & Issues via Zoom |
| Sunday | 7:00 AM | Centering Prayer – Via Zoom |
| | 10:00 AM | Worship – In person and via Zoom |
| | 11:00 AM | Mission & Social Action Meeting |

Images

1st Image: Communion Bread, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

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2nd Image: Blue flag iris. Photo taken in the Ausable Marsh Wildlife Management Area.

