

Baba Yetu

Mr. Kakela Kolanda

Baba Yetu uliye mbinguni, Jina lako litukuzwe; Ufalme wako ufike, Utakalo lifanyike Duniani kama mbinguni. Utupe leo mkate wetu wa kila siku, Utusamehe makosa yetu, Kama nasi tunavyowasamehe waliotukosea. Usitutie katika kishawishi, Lakini utuopoe maovuni. Amina.

The Lord's Prayer

+Closing Hymn: "Hope of the World" Insert

+Dismissal

+Postlude: Improvisation

Kenmore United Methodist Church Food Pantry Commonly needed items: Canned tuna or meats, Rice, Cereal, Spaghetti sauce & pasta, Peanut butter, canned vegetables and soups.

Please continue to bring your food offerings each Sunday. Betty Murphy is our volunteer who transports your donations, and we're grateful for her ministry!

Weekly Coffee Hours: There are two ways you can help!

Sign up to **DONATE** refreshments, like cookies or fruit. OR...

Sign up to **HOST**, meaning set-up and cleanup.

BOTH are essential to this ministry of hospitality.

The signup sheets are in the Narthex. Any questions?

Mary Lou Frost is our Hospitality Coordinator. E-mail Mary Lou at mlfrost@verizon.net or call her at (716) 694-6136

Join us for **Thursday morning prayer** in the chapel at 8:30am each week for 1/2 hour of devotions.
Use the Beard Ave. entry.

Summer OUTDOOR Worship Schedule
(All dates are weather permitting)

Bring a lawn chair! August 11th & September 1st

Wednesday: Central Park UMC kids at the Erie County Fair.

Volunteers: Please gather after worship for a quick meeting.

**Save the Date! Spaghetti Dinner and
Silent Auction Saturday September
28th 4-7pm**



Central Park United Methodist Church
216 Beard Ave. ~ Buffalo NY 14214

August 4th, 2024

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Website: centralparkcomplex.com

E-Mail: help@centralparkcomplex.com

Clara's Closet Website: clarasclosetbuffalo.org

Rev. Mary A. Kelly, Pastor

Mr. Matthew Caputy, Minister of Music
Lector/Eucharistic Minister: Mr. Jim Fox
Videographer: Ms. Betty Murphy

*We are a Christ-centered community of faith and love,
reaching out to all.*

The flowers at the pulpit today are designed by Jackie Paterniti and given by Katharine Bartelo, in celebration of her mother Kathryn Homer's birthday.

Prelude: "Opening" Philip Glass

Welcome

+Opening Responses: Iona Community

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Who wishes to enter into Church today?

**We are people of God,
who come from many places to meet together in one place.**

Why have you come?

**We have come at God's invitation
to worship our Maker as the Body of Christ.**

Let us pray together:

**Welcoming God, bless us who have come to worship
that however we enter, we may leave changed
because we have been in Jesus's company
and cannot remain the same. Amen!**

+Opening Hymn: "Gather Us In" Insert

Thanksgiving: Philippians 4:8-9

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

Thanks be to God!

A Time for Children Ms. Jackie Paterniti

Special Music: "Truman Sleeps" Philip Glass

Prayer: Brother Roger of Taize

God be with you.

and also with you.

Let us pray:

God of compassion,

*We praise you for the multitudes of women, men, young people,
who all over the world seek to bear witness to peace,
to reconciliation, to communion.*

Lord, hear our prayer.

*We praise you for the justice-seekers, the advocates,
the helpers, and the humble.*

Lord, hear our prayer.

In the silence of our open hearts,

We bring our concerns before you now...

Holy Spirit, Comforter,

**Come and breathe on the anxieties
that are capable of keeping us far from you.
Enable us to discover the sources of trust
that are already there in our inmost hearts. Amen.**

Listen, the voice of God is calling...

Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

The Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-16

4 I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said, 'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.' ⁹(When it says, 'He ascended', what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The Message: The Rev. Mary A. Kelly

+Offertory Hymn: "One Bread, One Body" Insert

Tithes and Offerings

+Blessing our Gifts

Holy Communion