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SUNDAY CELEBRATION
September 24, 2017

Welcome to worship at Knox United. We are delighted that you are here. If you are new to Knox, please feel free to participate in whatever way you feel comfortable. A nursery is available in Room 4 for children 0-3. There is a time of fun and learning for children 3-11 years in our Sunday School area after the Children's Hymn. A changing table is located in the nursery.

Please note that our sanctuary is equipped with a loop system for the hearing impaired. If you wear a hearing-aid, please turn it to the "T" position.

Thank you for remembering that Knox strives to be a SCENT FREE ZONE

In body or in spirit, please stand as you are able where indicated (*)

SERMON SERIES: Jesus, Wisdom Teacher
WORSHIP THEME: Joy of Non-Judgment

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

WELCOME & LIFE AND WORK OF THE PEOPLE

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

A TIME OF REJOICING

*Make a Joyful Noise 820 VU
*I Come with Joy 477 VU
Give to Us Laughter 624 MV

CENTERING PRAYER

KIDS' ZONE

*CHILDREN'S HYMN: Dance with the Spirit 156 MV
(Children are now invited to participate in a time of fun, food and learning in our Sunday School area)

A TIME OF REFLECTING

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 7:1-5

CHOIR ANTHEM: That Love May Grow
Music by W.A. Mozart, Lyrics by John Lewers

REFLECTION

*HYMN: Laughter Lit the Stars of Morning 190 MV
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER
The Singing Bowl invites us to center...
Sung Response: Lord, listen to your children praying 400 VU
The Lord's Prayer (sung) 959 VU

A TIME OF RISING

A MOMENT OF SHARING

*HYMN: Joyful, Joyful We Adore You 232 VU

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

WEEKLY OFFERING

We are grateful for your financial gifts to our eight ministries. Please place your offering in the baskets provided on the communion table or on the table inside the main sanctuary doors before or after the worship service.

We welcome our guest speaker, Janet Desautels from Calgary. Janet is the author of *Dancing With Differences* and works as a Joy Coach to help others uncover and embrace their joyful callings. Janet's book will be available for sale after the service in the narthex.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome To Our Service of Worship at Knox!

We extend a warm welcome to all who may be visiting with us this morning. Please know that visitors are welcome to participate in every part of our worship service. If you are visiting from near or from afar, thank you for finding your way to Knox. Together, we seek God's grace; it is God who welcomes you.

Staff Office Hours:

- Minister: Rev. Jennifer Ferguson Mon-Thu, 10 am-1 pm
Jennifer's schedule varies with meetings, so if you would like to meet with her for pastoral care, please call her to make an appointment at 250-927-6061 or leave a message in the office.
- Administrative Office: Jane Williams, Mon-Fri, 10-12/1-3
- Facility Coordinator: Colleen Welsh, Tue/Wed 1-4 pm, Thu 9 am-1 pm
To use our facility for an internal or external event, please contact Colleen at facilitycoord@kucparksville.ca or phone 250-248-3927, ext #2.

Presbytery Prayer Circle

Prayers this week go to Wayne Hughes, Minister, and the congregation of Campbell River United Church.

A Note of Thanks

We are grateful and appreciate all the Knox friends who supported our family with love during Alex's illness and death. We felt your presence always.

Lorna, Sandy, Lori & Jill Kobelak

FUN, FAMILY & FRIENDS

Line Dancing

Mon, Sep 25

For more information, please visit the website or call the church office.

Men's Breakfast Club

Thu, Sep 28, 8-9:30 am, Lounge

This is a special invitation to men who have not been part of the group or are new to the community. The Knox Men's Breakfast Club meets on the 3rd Thu of each month. We gather in the lounge at 8 am for coffee and conversation. At 8:30, a hot breakfast is served by volunteers and the cost is \$7. There is a brief business meeting, followed by a guest presentation, and we attempt to finish the meeting by 9:30 am. All men are invited to join the group for 90 mins. of food and fellowship. At our first meeting, we will have a discussion about the future of the group and leadership. We are open to discussion of time and format for the meetings. If you would like more information or to let us know you are planning to attend, contact John Brownell, wjbrownell@shaw.ca/250-947-9359, or Ken Armstrong, armstrong.gk@shaw.ca/250-248-0587.

Sisters United Potluck Dinner Meeting

Mon, Oct 2nd, 5:30 pm, Lounge

Welcome back to our Fall routine! We welcome Lois Smith, Coordinator of the school breakfast program at Springwood School. The theme of our meeting is Child Poverty in Oceanside! We ask that you bring your own dishes, cutlery and a contribution to the potluck dinner. We also ask for a \$3 donation (first-time guests are free!). Come at 5:30 to socialize; dinner at 6 pm; and our guest speaker will be at 6:45. A warm Sisters United welcome awaits you in the lounge by your hosts: Sallie Dabb, June McIntyre, BJ Regan and Linda Skogstad. Should you need a ride, please contact any one of us. Sallie: 250-752-7588; June: 250-248-3119; BJ: 250-752-7437 or Linda: 250-752-2345.

Home Groups:

Mexican Train Dominoes, Thu, Oct 5, 7 pm hosted by Sylvia Nixdorf

Head & Foot Canasta, Fri, Oct 6, 7 pm hosted by Sylvia Nixdorf

Sylvia is interested in learning mahjong or having a book club if someone is willing to host. Contact Sylvia at 250-954-1358 or sign up on the "Wall".

Standard American Bridge, Sat, Oct 7, 12:30 pm hosted by Jean Maclagan

Contact Jean at 250-752-0905 or sign up on the "Wall".

If there is anyone else that has an interest in hosting, please contact Carol Ross with your start date so she can make a sign-up sheet for the wall and announce in the bulletin. Jennifer is willing to put on a quick instructive workshop to explain home groups, expectations and sustainability in October. The date will be announced in a future bulletin. The workshop is open to anyone that may be interested at a future date to host or participate in a home group, but is a little confused as to what it might entail. All will be explained. Literature is also available, ask Jennifer.

Carpooling

Sun. Oct 15

Yes, your 'Green Team' is planning another carpooling day for Oct 15th. There is help on the wall by the coat rack to find a partner.

HEALING AND PASTORAL CARE

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Mon, Sep 25, 1:30-3:30, Rm 5

This group is open to anyone interested in making prayer shawls – knit or crochet. Bring along your work and socialize with the group. If you have any questions, please contact Sylvia Nixdorf at 250-954-1358 or sylnix@shaw.ca.

Caring For The Caregiver, workshop facilitated by Pietro Abela

Sat, Oct 14, 10 am-3 pm.

If you are a caregiver in any capacity, this workshop is for you. Providing care to others is a demanding task and caregivers often do not recognize that they have depleted their own physical and energetic resources. Fatigue, burn out, exhaustion, sleeplessness and worry are symptoms indicating that you may be suffering from caregiver depletion. This workshop will help you recognize the symptoms of and will

provide you with tools to address your caregiving situation. The people you care for benefit when you can maintain your own levels of energy, confidence and well-being. Please bring a bag lunch. Beverages and snacks will be provided. Cost: Early-bird registration by Oct 2, \$50; after \$65. To register, please contact the church office.

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND OUTREACH

Thanksgiving Appeal

Our Oceanside region has been identified as among Vancouver Island's worst for child poverty - greater than the provincial average. Two organizations looking at this issue have been selected to receive Knox's Thanksgiving Appeal. One of the Salvation Army programs provides snack packs in schools. The Bagel Care volunteers provide a breakfast program in Springwood Elementary School. There will also be the special collection of foodstuffs for the Food Bank.

What Is Manna Homeless Society?

It is a non-profit society helping the needy in Oceanside. Manna was started, and is still captained by, Robin Campbell. Many years ago, he noticed those in our community in need. Manna supports individuals, couples and families suffering from poverty by offering tangible help such as food, transportation (bikes), laundry vouchers, hygienic supplies, clothing, rain gear and outdoor survival equipment. Their mission is to provide the homeless and impoverished with the basic provisions for survival. We have supported Manna for several years in the following ways:

1. Collect clothing and useful items in the Manna box in the hall next to the lounge. Warm clothing, tarps, tents, toiletries are always in demand.
2. Donated monies to help buy the new, larger van for storing and delivering donated items.
3. Some clothing and other items left from the Fall Fair are being donated to Manna.
4. The Outreach Committee has a twice monthly sandwich program funded by the church and sandwiches are made in the church kitchen and given out on Saturday where the Manna van locates at the park on Jensen.
5. The Outreach Committee has volunteers that deliver the Thrifty's day old bread every other week from Thrifty's to the park on Jensen.

Manna is a wonderful organization that seeks to do God's good work and we work with them to support and help them. If anyone would like to read more about Manna, please visit their website at www.mannahomelessociety.com. If you wish to volunteer for the bread pick-up or sandwich program, please phone Jan Lucas at 250-468-9318 or sjlucasr@yahoo.ca.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION

SAVING JESUS 12-session DVD series facilitated by Rev. Jennifer Ferguson

Evening Group – starts Mon, Sep 18, 7-9 pm

Morning Group – starts Thu, Sep 21, 10 am-Noon

This will be a small group exploration of a credible Jesus for the third millennium. Join a host of experts like Diana Butler Bass, Marcus Borg, Hans Kung, Brian McLaren, John Spong, Amy-Jill Levine, and many more for a conversation around the relevance of Jesus for the 21st century. Please register through the office.

Let The Spirit of God Lead facilitated by Carmen Corbet & Bruce McIntyre
started Tue, Sep 19th, 7:30-9 pm

We will be studying the book *We Make the Road by Walking* by Brian D. McLean. Our spiritual faith was never meant to be a destination or to be in a holding pattern, but is a vital part of our ongoing creative growth. This study group will be an opportunity for all who attend to walk on the road of creative spiritual growth together. Cost: purchase book (\$15-20). For more information, contact Bruce McIntyre, 250-248-3119 or Carmen Corbet, 250-954-8256.

Drop-In Bible Study facilitated by Rev. Jennifer Ferguson
starts Wed, Sept 27th, 10 am

We will delve into the scripture to be discussed in Worship for the upcoming week and discover how it applies to our own lives. All perspectives and insights are welcome.

Spiritual Gifts Workshop facilitated by Rev. Jennifer Ferguson
Sun, Oct 1, Noon-1:30 pm

Every human on the earth has God-given gifts used for the betterment of the world, whether we are aware of those gifts or not. Discover the spiritual gifts God has instilled in you and enjoy the many ways you can use these gifts to enrich your life and the lives of others. Spiritual Gift Inventory forms are available in the narthex and will need to be filled out to bring to the workshop. Please register at the office if attending.

Holy Shift Leadership Weekend
Fri-Sun, Oct 20-22

We are pleased to be hosting this BC Conference Leadership event designed to empower clergy and lay leaders. This weekend is an exciting opportunity to hear from guest speaker Beth Ann Estock, author of *Weird Church*, and Kelli Walker Jones, a narrative storyteller, along with other workshops. Help us to re-imagine the church of the 21st century and discuss how our church might become more relevant in peoples' lives. The weekend begins in the evening with keynote speaker, Beth Ann Estock, a choice of two Saturday workshops, a time of dance and celebration on Saturday evening at the Quality Inn, and concludes with Worship on Sunday morning at Knox and a lunch. If you would like to take part in this week-end, please contact the office.

From The Library

We have many books from authors you will be hearing from in the **Saving Jesus** 12-session DVD series led by Rev. Jennifer Ferguson. This is only a partial list.

We invite you to come in and we will help you find these and more.

Diana Butler Bass – 3 books

Brian McLaren – 1 book

Marcus Borg: 11 books

John Shelby Spong: 12 books

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Organworx Subscriptions

Cosmic Odyssey on Sep 24th is fully sold out. Thank you to everyone for your support through purchase of subscriptions and tickets. Subscriptions for the remaining two concerts featuring Jenny Vincent on organ with guests: 1) Janelle Nadeau on Harp, Jan 14/18; and 2) Elroy Friesen, Conductor with Choir, May 27/18, are now available for purchase.

Thank You Produce Donors

To all the generous church members who donated produce and or fruit to our stand at the Fall Fair. Your donations enhanced our variety and selection and helped to make our produce stand a success.

WORSHIP AND ARTS

Care Home Service Organizer Volunteer(s)

One or two volunteers are needed to organize and schedule worship leaders and musicians from Knox to handle 6-8 Oceanside Care Home Services every three months. Knox is a partner in the local church network that provides these services. This position would work closely with our Church Administrator. If you would like to apply your spiritual gifts in this way, please contact George Pearson, Co-Team Leader, Worship & Arts, at 250-951-2353 or the Knox office.

Bulletin Folder Volunteers

Looking for additional people to fold bulletins on Friday mornings. The job is not difficult and takes one hour twice a month. The more folders, the less often you will be required. Your services are always appreciated! Contact Nancy Newland at 250-248-7289, nnewland@shaw.ca or Gayle Haughn at 250-951-2254 gayleghaughn@gmail.com.

Join The Choir!

Choir practices are Wednesdays, from 7-9 pm. All voices are welcome. If you are musical and can sing in tune, please consider joining us. Reading music is an asset, but is not necessary.

KNOX CALENDAR September 24 – October 1

Sunday, September 24

Worship Service 10:00 am..... Sanctuary
OrganWorx Concert 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm..... Sanctuary
Care Home Service..... 2:30 pm..... Stanford

Monday, September 25

Line Dancing..... 10:00 -11:45 am..... Rooms 1 & 2
Creative Worship Team..... 1:00 – 3:00 pm..... Lounge
In this Together (Knox Mental Health Support Group)
..... 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm Room 6
Prayer Shawl Group 1:30 – 3:30 pm..... Room 5
Bell Choir 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Sanctuary
DVD Series “Saving Jesus” 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm..... Room 5
Arrowsmith Naturalists..... 7:00 – 9:30 pm..... Lounge

Tuesday, September 26

Healing Ministry 9:30 am – 11:30 am Room 6
Outreach..... 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm..... Lounge
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AA 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm..... Rooms 1 & 2
Fun Family & Friends 7:00 pm Lounge
Community Choir..... 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm..... Sanctuary
Bible Study 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm..... Pastoral Office
OA..... 7:30 pm..... Room 5

Wednesday, September 27

Healing Ministry Mtg 1:30 pm- 4:00 pm..... Room 6
Grief Support 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm..... Chapel
Choir 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm..... Sanctuary

Thursday, September 28

Men’s Club Breakfast Meeting 6:30 am – 9:30 am..... Lounge/Kitchen
Centering Prayer 10:00 am – 11:00 am..... Room 6
DVD Series..... 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Room 5
Library Committee..... 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm..... Library
Rainbows 6:45 pm – 7:45 pm..... All Rooms

Friday, September 29

Healing Ministry..... 9:30 am-11:30 am..... Room 6
OA..... 12:00 pm- 1:00 pm..... Room 5

Sunday, October 1

Worship Service..... 10:00 am..... Sanctuary
Spiritual Gifts Workshop 11:30 am – 2:00 pm..... Lounge & Sanctuary
Care Home Services..... 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm..... Trillium

Knox United Church Leadership 2017-18

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Sermon Series
JESUS THE WISDOM TEACHER

Worship Theme
JOY OF NON-JUDGEMENT

Sunday, September 24, 2017