

## SUNDAY CELEBRATION 10:00 AM KNOX UNITED CHURCH



**November 25, 2018**

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### Compassion, Inclusion, Joy and Spirituality

Rev. Jennifer Ferguson, *Minister*    Rev. Dr. M. Bruce McIntyre, *Minister Emeritus*  
Jane Williams, *Administrator*                  Jenny Vincent, *Music Leader*  
Karen Freeman, *Facility Coordinator*                  Jan & Bill Laurie, *Music Team*  
Kathleen Howard, *Relief Administrator*                  Jo Dunn, *Reader*  
Shirlene Donnelly, *Native Flute*

### THE SOURCE OF MIRACLES SURRENDER

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 (\*)

### LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

### WELCOME AND LIFE AND WORK OF THE PEOPLE

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

### A TIME OF REJOICING

\*Morning Has Broken                                  409VU  
Seek Ye First the Kingdom                                  356VU

### CENTERING PRAYER

### KID'S ZONE

**CHILDREN'S HYMN:**                  Bring Forth the Kingdom  
*(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 6:10a  
**POEM**    by Hafiz

**CHOIR ANTHEM**                                  Down in the River to Pray  
arrg. Marc Hafso

**REFLECTION**                                  Jennifer Ferguson  
Jada Morgan

**\*HYMN:**    Let There Be Light                                  679VU

### ANGELS AMONG US

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER

*The Singing Bowl invites us to center....*

The Lord's Prayer

### A TIME OF RISING

**\*HYMN**    Take My Life and Let It Be                                  506VU

### \*BLESSING

### POSTLUDE



### TODAY AT KNOX

*Thanks to Jada Morgan for sharing a part of her story with us this morning.*

### NEWCOMER MEET AND GREET... 11 AM IN THE CHAPEL

**WEEKLY OFFERING** – We are grateful for your financial gifts to our 9 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.

## **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. A nursery is available in Room 4 for children 0-3. Changing table is in the nursery.

## **WORSHIP AND ARTS**

**PRESBYTERY PRAYER CYCLE** – Prayers this week to Rev. Pieter le Roux and the congregation of Chemainus United Church.

**POINSETTIAS** – Please help decorate the church for Advent and purchase poinsettias to honour someone or in their memory. Poinsettia orders will be taken following the worship service today and on **Dec. 2nd**. Last day for orders is **Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>**. The price is **\$15**. Plants may be picked up after any of the Christmas Eve Services. This year's poinsettia sale is a fundraiser for a "to be determined" recipient. Thank you. Worship & Arts Committee.



**BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE** – **Sunday, Dec 16. 3 pm.** Join us for a worship service of comfort and healing for those who are needing a quiet, contemplative space to remember and honour a loved one, or grieve another form of loss or "just to be" in this often-frantic age and season. This service will include a time of sacred music, encouraging words, a time of prayer and silence and a time for hands on healing, communion and a memorial sideshow to honour loved ones who have died. Please send a photo to the tech team at [tech@kucparksville.ca](mailto:tech@kucparksville.ca) by **Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>** if you would like a photo of your loved one included in the slideshow honouring their memory. Light refreshments to follow the service.

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE & OUTREACH**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE & OUTREACH BULLETIN BOARD** - located outside the library window. Take note of the letter from the Homelessness Task Force thanking the congregation for the generous Thanksgiving donation, the M & S giving in October, and other Social Justice and Outreach items.

**THE REDress PROJECT** - was initiated by Winnipeg-based artist Jaime Black in 2011 to be an aesthetic response to the issue of missing and murdered Indigenous women across Canada. Red Dresses are on display in various locations in the Oceanside area to mark **November 25<sup>th</sup>** as the **UN International Day to Eliminate Violence Against Women** and will be on display until December 10 to correspond with the **16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence. December 10** is also **Human Rights Day**.

**ZATOUN FAIR TRADE** - Extra Virgin Olive Oil, soap and herbs will be available after church during the Advent season. Prices are the same as last year! So, come, shop and help the Palestinians in their farming endeavours. \$10 Oil; \$5 Soap and Herbs. New this year is organic olive oil for \$16 a bottle.

**KNOX SHOPPING BAGS** – Are still available for **\$2.50**. If you would like one, just ask a member of the Knox Green Team.

**WHITE GIFT SUNDAY** – This is a special day each year when we share our Christmas with the S.O.S. Christmas Project for families who need some help in providing gifts for their children and teenagers. This is the 50<sup>th</sup> year that S.O.S. has sponsored this Christmas Program. Here at Knox we have continued the tradition which dates to 1904 in Ohio, when the wife of a Methodist minister and their two daughters came up with the idea of giving gifts wrapped in white, so they would be anonymous. In the interest of saving trees, we do NOT wrap the gifts we bring. You will find a list of suggested gifts for Infants – Toddlers, along with a list for Teens to help you make your choice inserted in today's bulletin. Kindly bring your White gifts (unwrapped) to church on **Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>** and place them under the Christmas tree. With sincere thanks for your generous donations, they will be delivered to the S.O.S. on **Monday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>**. Contact **Margaret Warburton, 250-951-0538** if you have questions.

## **FUN, FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

**NEWCOMER'S MEET AND GREET** – Come meet Jennifer, Jenny and other leaders in the church for a little one on one and to meet a few of the “regular” Knox folks. Grab your coffee after the service and head to the chapel to meet other folks that may be as new and as nervous as you are! **The next meet and greet will be today after service.**

### **OMG....IT'S GMO! A HOME GROUP FOR MEN**

**GALLANT, GRACIOUS, GRATEFUL MEN**

We gather every **2<sup>nd</sup>** and **4<sup>th</sup>** **Tuesday** at **7 pm**

**Next date: November 27**

*If you lick the frosting off a cupcake it becomes a muffin and muffins are healthy!*

**MORE INFO** – Contact **Shane** at [grumpymenonly@gmail.com](mailto:grumpymenonly@gmail.com)



### **KNOX UCW– U.C.W. NEEDS UNUSED CHRISTMAS CARDS!**

Every year United Church Women gather to write nearly 400 Christmas cards on behalf of Knox for every resident residing in local care homes. Our inventory is low, so we need at least 200 more unused, appropriate Christmas cards (with envelopes) to complete our task. If you happen to have any spare cards, kindly leave them in the Photocopy room, or in my mail slot in the Narthex before **Dec. 1st**. Thank you! Your donations will be greatly appreciated.

**JUNE MCINTYRE, PRESIDENT, U.C.W. (250-248-3119)**

**KNOX MEN'S CLUB CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON** - Remember to mark your calendars for our Christmas Luncheon on **Thursday Dec. 13th**, 2018. Tickets will be available today after service. If you wish more information about the Men's Club, please contact **Ken Armstrong** at **250-248-0587** or via email at [armstrong.gk@shaw.ca](mailto:armstrong.gk@shaw.ca)

### **SACRED SPACES**

**LOST YOUR FAVOURITE JACKET?** – Come and check out our Knox closet by the kitchen. We have amassed quite a collection. Please come by and have a look to see if one of them might just be yours.

**TIP:** Save your rummaging for the middle of the week, rather than after Sunday service when the coat rack isn't quite so full!

**MISSING - 2 TABLE CLOTHS** – UCW purchased 6 green & white plastic tablecloths in August and 2 of them are missing. Do you know their whereabouts?

### **STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE**

**organWORX AT KNOX** Subscription renewals or new subscriptions for the 2018-19 organWORX three-concert series may be purchased in the Narthex, through the Knox office, online via the Knox website at [www.kucparksville.ca/events](http://www.kucparksville.ca/events), and from the Mulberry Bush Bookstores in Parksville and Qualicum Beach. See the season brochure for details.

### **HEALING AND PASTORAL CARE**

**“IN THIS TOGETHER”** - Knox's emotional health, peer support, group meets every **Monday, 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm**, in room 6.

### **HEALING MINISTRY – EVENING HEALING SESSIONS**

Now available on **Tuesdays** at **6 or 7 pm**. Please contact the office.

### **GOOD GRIEF GROUP** - Wednesdays **2:00-4:00** from **Oct. 17-Nov.28**

This is a group for people undergoing the challenging experience of loss in their lives and willing to share that journey with others. Together we will be sharing memories and stories and pictures of our loved ones, do some deep listening and reflection on the stages of grief, explore coping strategies with one another, and drink in hope through our faith and one another. Please register with the office. **Facilitator: Jennifer Ferguson**

### **KNITTERS & CROCHETERS, LET'S HOOK UP** – Drop in the 4<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday of the month, that's this **Tuesday, November 27, 1 p.m.** in room 5. Bring your projects and have a visit. For more info:

**Ronine Sharp, 250-586-6972** or [memorynurse@shaw.ca](mailto:memorynurse@shaw.ca)

### **COOKIES CUZ WE CARE – IS JUST DAYS AWAY! YIKES!**

**I NEED YOUR HELP!** 3,000 cookies, over 100 visits made, and 35 volunteers are needed just to pack and deliver cookie trays. So, let's get baking and bring your cookies in on **DECEMBER 5**. We will start packing trays at 9:30 in the lounge. Don't eat that day as I've been baking up a storm! This is your personal invitation to see what this is about. Please contact **Mary-Anne Slack** if you can help with baking, packing or delivering at [slack.ma@gmail.com](mailto:slack.ma@gmail.com) or **250-752-8242**.



## MINISTRY & PERSONNEL

**Rev. Jennifer Ferguson: Monday-Thursday** (Please note: Jennifer's schedule varies with meetings etc. If you would like to meet with her for pastoral care, please call her to make an appointment at **250-927-6061**, or email [minister@kucparksville.ca](mailto:minister@kucparksville.ca) or leave a message in the office.)

**NOTE: Jennifer's days off are Fridays and Saturdays.**

**Church Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9 – 3  
& Closed 12 -1**

**Facility Coordinator Hours: Mondays 11 – 3  
Tuesdays 1 – 4  
Thursdays 9 - 12**

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION

**DROP IN BIBLE STUDY** - With Jennifer Wednesdays at 10:00 am. With those gathered, 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.

**PAINTING THE STARS** - Tuesday evenings 6:30-8:30 OR Thursday mornings 10:00-Noon beginning week of Oct. 2/4-Dec.4/6. A seven-week DVD series exploring the connection between religion, science and the future of evolutionary Christian spirituality featuring speakers like United Church minister Bruce Sanguine, John Spong, Matthew Fox, Gretta Vosper, Michael Dowd and others. Please register with the office.

Cost: \$10 Facilitator: Jennifer Ferguson

**CENTERING PRAYER - Thursdays, 1:30 -2:45 Centering Prayer follow up sessions.** A time to practice this contemplative prayer and deepen our understanding with a talk by Thomas Keating (on DVD).

**FROM THE LIBRARY** We have a copy of *The Source of Miracles, 7 Steps to Transforming Your Life Through the Lord's Prayer*. This book is the source for Jennifer's current sermon series. You can take it out or if necessary, reserve it. This link will give you a copy of the reading group guide, a video of the author, and an audio excerpt from the book. [http://www.simonandschuster.ca/books/The-Source-of-Miracles/Kathleen-McGowan/9781439137727/reading\\_group\\_guide](http://www.simonandschuster.ca/books/The-Source-of-Miracles/Kathleen-McGowan/9781439137727/reading_group_guide)

## KNOX CALENDAR

**November 25 – December 2, 2018**

### Sunday, Nov 25

Worship Service ...	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Sanctuary
Newcomer Meet & Greet	11:00 am – 11:30 am	Chapel
Nanaimo Chamber Orchestra	2:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Sanctuary

### Monday, Nov 26

Green Team	9:30 am – 11:00 am	Lounge
Line Dancing	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Rooms 1 & 2
Mission Team	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Room 5
In this Together	12:30 pm– 1:30 pm	Room 6
M/J Nelson Rehearsal	11:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Sanctuary
Mission Team	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Rooms 1 & 2
Creative Worship	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Lounge
Cantando Singers	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Rooms 1 & 2
Handbell Choir	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Sanctuary

### Tuesday, Nov 27

Healing Ministry	9:30 am – 11:30 am	Room 6
Mission Discernment	9:45 am – 12:15 pm	Lounge
Prayer Shawl	12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Room 5
Healing Ministry	1:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Room 6
Mission Team	2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Room 5
Healing Ministry	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Room 6
Painting the Stars	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Lounge
AA	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Rooms 1 & 2
Community Choir	7:00 pm – 9:30 pm	Sanctuary

OA	7:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Room 5
<b>Wednesday, Nov 28</b>		
Drop in Bible Study	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Room 6
Healing Ministry Training	1:15 pm – 3:15 pm	Room 6
Good Grief	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Room 5
Knox Choir	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Sanctuary
<b>Thursday, Nov 29</b>		
Painting the Stars	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Lounge
Centering Prayer	1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Lounge
Rainbows	6:30 pm – 8:00 pm	All Rooms
<b>Friday, Nov 30</b>		
Healing Ministry	9:30 am – 11:30 am	Room 6
OA	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Room 5
Line Dancing	6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Rooms 1 & 2
Choir Dress Rehearsal	7:00 pm – 9:15	Sanctuary
<b>Sunday, Dec 2</b>		
Worship Service	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Sanctuary
PDMA Choir	2:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Sanctuary

## Knox United Church Council 2018-19

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## NOTES

### *Tripping Over Joy*

BY HAFEZ

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE  
BETWEEN YOUR EXPERIENCE OF EXISTENCE  
AND THAT OF A SAINT?

THE SAINT KNOWS  
THAT THE SPIRITUAL PATH  
IS A SUBLIME CHESS GAME WITH GOD

AND THAT THE BELOVED  
HAS JUST MADE SUCH A FANTASTIC MOVE

THAT THE SAINT IS NOW CONTINUALLY  
TRIPPING OVER JOY  
AND BURSTING OUT IN LAUGHTER  
AND SAYING, "I SURRENDER!"

WHEREAS, MY DEAR,  
I AM AFRAID YOU STILL THINK  
YOU HAVE A THOUSAND SERIOUS MOVES.

*Sunday, November 25, 2018*

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