

A Note From Pastor Pat



It's hard for me to differentiate seasons if the measure is whether life seems busy or not. I don't just mean my own level of activity or responsibilities. I mean communally. Life sort of melds together as one continuous stream that includes time with family, work, church, fun and time to be alone. Seasons aren't as pronounced for me as they once were.

When we had kids at home, this was very different, just as it currently is for many of us. The school/vacation annual cycle has a pronounced seasonal ebb and flow. We get so accustomed to it that it still reverberates long after we become empty nesters. If grandchildren come along, and they live close by, this flow grows more pronounced, because their school schedules become, in part, ours.

We have just stepped into a special season at Knox, one that I hope will be deeply meaningful for us all. Marked by preaching, worship, small groups, teaching and action steps, this is our "4C" season. We are investing in all this to deepen our relationship with Christ, to build a stronger sense of Connection and Care with our church family and to understand more fully the needs of our larger Community in which we live and how God calls us to meet them.

While we can think of this as a season, and it is, it is also a way of life that is to be ours in all seasons. In fact, these 4Cs mirror the life of Jesus, the life of faith. He was constantly on mission as given by God the Father and infused by God the Spirit. He always sought meaningful connection and exhibited loving care for those around him. His mission was fully about the world's need and the solution he brought for those needs.

Whatever level of investment you make in this 4C season, remember these elements are what we get to learn about and live out every day, year round. It is my prayer that Knox will take these months to celebrate how we already are 4C people and to deepen and expand this life now and for many years to come. After all, it is God's expectation that we believe what Jesus taught and live how Jesus lived. This means we are in an exciting season as we walk in step with him.

All for the way of Jesus,
Pat





The 4C Kingdom Life: Christ, Connection, Care, Community

October 3 - Christ 2 (smaller groups act)
"Rooted"
Colossians 2:6-7

October 10 - Connection 1 (smaller groups
study/discus)
"United"
1 Corinthians 12:12-27

October 17 - Connection 2 (smaller groups act)
"Focused"
Philippians 2:1-11

October 24 - Care 1 (smaller groups
study/discuss)
"Compassionate"
1 John 3:11-24

October 31- Care 2 (smaller groups act)
"Doers of Good"
James 2:14-26

November 7 - Community 1 (smaller groups
study/discuss)
"Neighborly"
Luke 10:25-37

November 14 - Community 2 (smaller groups act)
"Invested"
Matthew 9:35-38

November 21 - Thanksgiving
"Thankful"
Psalm 117



Week of September 26, 2021
Christ: "At Peace"
Colossians 1:15-22

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Week of October 10, 2021
Connection: "United"
I Corinthians 12:12-27

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Week of October 24, 2021
Care: "Compassionate"
I John 3:11-24

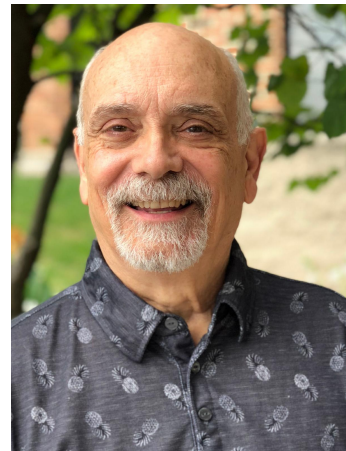
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Week of November 7, 2021
Community: "Neighborly"
Luke 10:25-37

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Connect



"A Musical Afternoon"
October 3 at 3PM

You're invited to join organist and pianist Tim Sleep and mezzo-soprano Anna Board for an afternoon of music on October 3rd at 3pm in the sanctuary.

Tim and Anna will perform pieces from a variety of genres including musical theater, sacred, and opera. From Mozart to Rodgers and Hammerstein, there is something for everyone!

Bring your friends, family and neighbors to enjoy the afternoon together.



Calling all 3rd Graders!

We will be honoring our 3rd graders during our 10:30 service as they are presented with their 3rd grade bibles, on Sunday, October 3rd. After our 10:30 am service, children are welcome to stay for a luncheon and an hour of fun, getting to know their bibles.

Please contact [Erin Hartman](#) if you would like your child to receive a Bible to make sure we have a cover ready for them.



Communion Sundays-No Sunday School

On the first Sunday of every month, Knox serves communion during the service. On these Sundays, we will not be having Sunday School and instead encourage our children to attend service with their families and they are welcome to partake in communion as well. As a friendly reminder, there are activity sheets in the back of the Sanctuary as well as activity bags to help kids focus during the service. We hope that this time will be viewed as a special Family Sunday time.



Youth Harvest Party

The High Schoolers are having a Harvest Party on October 17 at 6-8PM. Come and enjoy some dinner and time together offsite! Email dnettleton@knoxpres.org to get the address.

Look forward to seeing you there!

Trunk or Treat



Please mark your calendars for our Annual Trunk or Treat event taking place on Saturday, October 23rd from 6-7:30pm.

It will be a night of fun and fellowship. If you are interested in decorating a trunk, please contact [Betsy Anderson](#) or [Julia Dana](#).

If you would like to donate candy, we will gladly start accepting donations and will have a collection set up in the commons area, we ask that you please try to keep it nut-free.

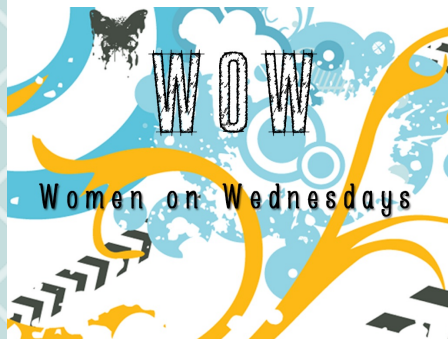


The Evening Book Club Zoom meetings will continue on the second Wednesdays, 7 pm, for the duration of the pandemic.

Our discussion October 13 will be about *The Ragged Edge of Night* by Olivia Hawker. Looking ahead, we are reading *A Chance in the World, a memoir* by Steve Pemberton, for November.

We may soon be switching to meeting using a hybrid model (simultaneous Zoom from home and in-person at Knox). All readers are welcome, but if you are new to the group, you will need to email Janice Wiles, wilesjan@gmail.com, to be added to the list to receive the Zoom link, and stay up to date on any changes.

Visit knoxpres.org and click on Events to view Evening Book Club list of upcoming dates and books.



Women on Wednesday is back at Knox Church!

Women on Wednesday is back at Knox Church! WOW started up again in Sept with a new study of Genesis.

It's never too late to join us as we study this great book of beginnings. WOW meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-11:15 and includes coffee, Bible study, large and small group gatherings and prayer. All ages and Bible knowledge are welcome and there is childcare for infants and toddlers. If your Wednesday mornings are open - come join us!

Questions?

Please contact Robin Kolar at skolar7227@aol.com or Margaret Lambka at mllambka2@gmail.com



Hall of Famers' Presents: "Big Band Memories" Thursday, October 14, 2021

Bandleader, Steve Cooper, will show films and videos of the Big Band Era featuring rare clips of swing bands including Glenn Miller, Harry James, Tommy Dorsey and many others. Also included are comedy clips!



All Knox Seniors (and all others interested) are invited to join us.

Menu will be a box lunch ordered from Belgio's Catering. Lunch served at 12:00 Noon. The program will begin shortly after lunch.

Cost is \$8.00 payable at the door.
For reservations, please call:
Diane Heintz at 630/615-4324
by Monday, October 11.



Wednesday Nights

Knox's Wednesday Night program for Kindergartners through 8th grade began last month, but it is not too late to join us. Please register on our events page or click the register button. We would love to have you. The Wednesday Night program includes bible study, recreation, wood working, choir with Ms. Anna and dinner.

[REGISTER](#)



High School Youth Activities Permission Slip 2021/2022

Please fill out the activity permission slip for the school year. We will be asking all of the emergency contact, insurance, medical information only once, in this form.

For each event throughout the year (Tubing, winter retreat, etc) we will not ask this information again so it is imperative that we collect it from you here. Hopefully this will make for easier registration overall!

[PERMISSION SLIP](#)



Young Adults

Save the Date for our Winter Mission Trip! From December 27-31, we will drive out to Camp Restore in Michigan for a week of work and fun! Expected cost is around \$300, and we will be doing our pie sale fundraiser in November.

Registration will come later in the fall, so keep those dates open!



SAVE THE DATE COOKIE WALK is December 4, 9AM-1PM

This year may be a challenge for our Cookie Walk but we will keep praying knowing God wants this to be a grand comeback from our "Covid Year Off".

This event is no longer associated with the Deacons who have established the CW as the best there is in the area! Your chairpersons (Doris and Kay) for the "Cookie Walk Committee" will be calling on the members of the congregation to volunteer not just for baking, but also for being part of the work force.

You have witnessed the fun and excitement of the day, so we hope you will sign up to help make this a spectacular success. There are no hard jobs to do, so feel comfortable volunteering for Treasurer, cashier, gift table person, box folder, or expert cookie handler. Please let all your social media contacts know our CW is on Dec. 4 from 9AM – 1PM so they can save the date.

More specifics to come. Proceeds will go to Knox missions yet to be decided. Thank you for volunteering, you'll be glad you did.



Not Your Mother's Circle

NYMC is an informal gathering of ladies who enjoy fellowship on the 2nd or 3rd Saturday of the month. In August we met at Stephanie Hild's.

The weather, food & fellowship was perfection! Saturday, September 18th we will gather at Kristine Thornton's house and October 9 tentatively plan to go to Morton Arboretum to enjoy the fall beauty.

If you would like more information or to join this fun group of ladies, contact Sue Goll, sgollcci@gmail.com or Sue Lies, suelies3231@gmail.com.

Mary Martha circle will meet Tuesday, September 14th at 9:30 a.m. For more information, contact Susan Burns at sbburns@comcast.net.

Rachel Rebecca Circle Tuesday, October 12, 1:30PM.
For more information contact Kathi Olson, 630-420-1953.

Ruth Circle - Please consider joining this evening group of women the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the church parlor. It's a relaxing time of fellowship, study & fun. We study a devotion from "The Upper Room" and share our prayer concerns.
If you have any questions, please contact Bev Mayer at 630-615-4325 or bmayer@knoxpres.org.

Care



Hunger Sunday October 3

Help support Loaves and Fishes and bring some items to Knox on October 3.

For more detailed information about Loaves and Fishes, visit www.loaves-fishes.org.

The Mission Council would also like to thank Knox for the 145 lbs. donated to Loaves and Fishes in September.

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

WAYS TO GIVE



SIGN UP

Naperville Area CROP Hunger Walk LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE WALKERS AND DONORS NEEDED!

Please join other Knox walkers in the 39th annual local CROP Hunger Walk. This year's Walk has been scheduled for Sunday, October 17 at 1 pm. Participants can choose to walk the 1K or 5K, starting and finishing at Grace United Methodist Church in Naperville. This is an event for all ages!!

The organizing committee is planning an in person walk observing the COVID regulations in place at that time. Also, the Naperville Area CROP Hunger Walk and Loaves and Fishes are teaming up again to pack Easy Meals before and after the Walk. These Easy Meals will be distributed among the Loaves and Fishes clients in Naperville, Aurora, DuPage County and part of Will Country.

CROP Hunger Walks help to provide food and water, as well as resources that empower people to meet their own needs. These needs vary from seeds, chickens and tools, to

wells and water systems, to technical training and micro-enterprise loans. Your CROP \$\$ support programs in our own community (Loaves and Fishes and the Northern Illinois Food Bank) and in 35 countries around the world.

Feel free to sign up and join the CROP Hunger Walk Team of Knox. www.crophungerwalk.org is the site to go to. Once you 'arrive' there, type *Knox Presbyterian Church* in the upper right search bar. The next screen will give you the opportunity to join our team (see blue bar halfway through the screen). In case you would like to sponsor a walker online, please follow the steps above to donate. Checks are also more than welcome.

On Sundays, September 26 and October 3, Team Captains of Knox will be in the Commons area to give out fund raising envelopes and answer any questions.

Many thanks to our Knox Walkers and their Sponsors!!
Knox Team Captains Ineke Pelella and Rachel Koritala



Knox Serves Weekend

Everyone is invited and encouraged to sign up for this special weekend of service and worship on the afternoons of **Saturday October 23 and Sunday October 24.**

There are service opportunities for all ages and abilities, we want everyone to get involved. Be the "hands and feet" of Jesus as we serve our neighbors.

[SIGN UP](#)



Knox Congratulates SamaraCare as it Celebrates a 50th Anniversary Milestone and Plans for the Future

SamaraCare announces its 50th anniversary! The organization was founded in 1971 by Knox Presbyterian Church, Our Saviour's Lutheran Church and St. Raphael Catholic Church to provide preventative and therapeutic counseling with a focus on family life in response to meeting the mental health needs of a rapidly growing Naperville community.

SamaraCare is a long-standing Mission partner with Knox.

Cranes Pies For Sale November 1-14

Look for more details coming soon!



Crane's Pies For Sale!
Young Adult Fundraiser



Angel Tree Going Up Early!

Isn't it great that Christ's birthday is on a Sunday this year. We are having to put the Angel tree up early this year on November 13 because of this. Thanks for your understanding.



Hesed House Support

Knox supports the guests at the Hesed House homeless shelter in Aurora on the 4th Saturday of the month. We provide a hot dinner, a hot breakfast, lunch bags and other supplies. In 2021, we will be serving all 12 months. For more information, see the [Hesed House page](#).

Knox Donors make and purchase food items & supplies and bring them to a "drive-thru, drop off" at Knox with Knox Drivers then delivering the items to Hesed House. In addition, Knox Volunteers enter the shelter that evening and the next morning to prepare and serve the dinner and breakfast that we delivered.

The sign up to bring items to the "drive-thru, drop off" at Knox and volunteer in the shelter will be posted here approx. 10 days before the 4th Saturday. In addition, the sign up will be included in a Knox Wednesday email to the Knox congregation and in a SignUpGenius email sent to those who have volunteered in the past.

Any questions, email [Bruce Burkelman](#) or call 630-209-1421.

Thanks so much for your continued support for the homeless in our community.

The Grief & Loss Workshop will take place in the Parlor from 7:30 - 9:00 pm. Beginning Thursday, September 16 - Thursday, November 4 for 8 weeks.



The workshop will cover the stages of bereavement, as well as, other handouts and will be led by Pastor Cindy Karis. Please call Pastor Cindy on her direct line 630-615-4308 to register or email ckaris@knoxpres.org.

Community



Annual Congregational Meeting **Sunday, October 17 at 10:00AM**

The purpose of the meeting is to elect new Elders, Deacons and 2 Permanent Funds Committee members to begin in January 2022.



Carols & Candlelight

Carols & Candlelight Rehearsals

The choir will begin rehearsing pieces for Carols & Candlelight on Thursday, Sept. 30th. All singers interested in joining the Knox Choir for this year's Carols & Candlelight are welcome to attend on Thursday night rehearsals from 7:30-8:15pm during which time we will focus on the repertoire for this event!

If you're interested or would like more information, contact Anna Board at aboard@knoxpres.org.

Thank You!

For several years, our Facility Manager, Ron Mobley, has been tracking down and patching various roof leaks.

Recently we hired a roof consultant to do a full inspection and learned that our Sanctuary roof needed to be replaced.

We took bids, hired a contractor, and had the work done right before Labor Day. It cost \$40,000.00.

With good care, we expect the rest of our roofs to provide 4-5 more years of service.

We will do some remedial work on them in October. After that we will begin a twice annual Preventive Maintenance program with the roofing contractor.



WE HAVE
A NEW
ROOF

Thank you,
Knox congregation
for your generous
support!

~Building & Grounds



A Note about the 4C's Communion Table Banner

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" is the beginning line of the Doxology which concludes "Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost". The trinity is depicted in the banner with the hand of God the Father reaching down to his creation; with the cross representing Jesus the Son and God incarnate; and with the dove, the ever present Holy Spirit.

The people of God are represented in the hands uplifted in prayer. The people receive the blessings of God. The people know God through the blessings of coming to God in prayer, from studying God's truths in the Bible, in remembrance when sharing the communion elements, and when enjoying the magnificent creation.

The rainbow reminds us of God's covenants with his people: to Noah "I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth"; to Abraham "I will be with you. I will bless you, and I will make you a blessing"; to the new covenant in Christ "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people."

Banner was made by Kim Lynn. Materials were donated by Dick and Phyllis Wheeler



The Worship, Music, and Arts Council is looking for someone to join the council as Communion Coordinator. This role would include preparing, or scheduling people to prepare, the elements for communion and setting the communion table.

If you are interested in being the Communion Coordinator or in helping with communion preparation, please contact Kim Lynn mskim.littleblessings@gmail.com or Chris Jachcinski cjachcinski@gmail.com.



Calling all greeters and prospective greeters!!!

It is time to brush up on our greeting skills and continue the tradition of making Knox a welcoming community to all. We will review protocols for Covid, for greeting and welcoming first time visitors, AED locations, Sunday School information for families and more!

If you have been considering joining the greeters, now is the perfect time to join the team! I hope you will consider this opportunity. When Knox offers a warm welcome, we let people know they are **cared** for and we help members and visitors to be **connected** to Knox. Greeter Training will take place in Fellowship Hall on Saturday November 13 at 9:00AM

If you are interested in greeting you can contact Carol Pfeiffer at 630-854-1657 or through email at carolericp@yahoo.com.



Are you looking for a way to serve?

Our Tech Team needs volunteers to assist in the tech booth on Sunday mornings. Potential tasks range from helping manage slides, to working with the audio and video equipment.

No experience is needed! If you are interested, please contact Patrick Schwarz pschwarz@knoxpres.org.



Part Time Custodian Help Needed - Join Our Team!

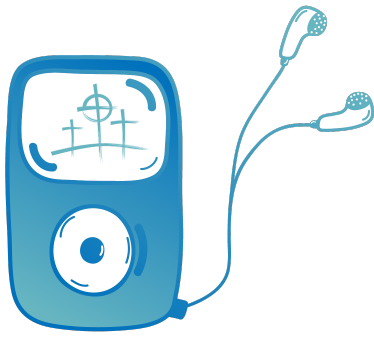
We are looking to hire one or two part time custodians to work on Wednesday afternoon/evenings (5:00 to 9:00 PM) and/or Sunday morning/midday (7:00 AM to 1:00 PM).

If you would like some extra spending money and can help us to keep Knox look welcoming – we need you! You may also be scheduled to help out during vacations or large events and the tasks could be duties inside and outside our church.

You will help to set-up and take down furniture and equipment for both church and community events that take place at Knox and also to help maintain a clean environment for all our members and visitors.

For more information please contact Ron Mobley at 630-615-4305 or rmobley@knoxpres.org.

(click the song title to view & listen)



[Roots](#) by UNSPOKEN

[The Moment](#) by MercyMe

[The Commission](#) by CAIN

[One Desire](#) by Jeremy Camp

[Image of God](#) by We Are Messengers

[God of Wonders](#) by Mac Powell (Agnus Dei)

[If All I Had Was Christ](#) by We The Kingdom



Worship Together Saturday @ 5PM, Sunday @ 9AM or 10:30AM

Links for Sunday Livestream

VIEW



BULLETINS

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