



Our Response To COVID-19

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Resources & Updates

During this time please visit
knoxpres.org or click on the above
graphic for updates on events.

Ways To Help



Loaves & Fishes Needs

Select Virtual Food Drive

[Donate online](#) - on Knox website and
select fund Loaves & Fishes

Hesed House Updated Needs

View current needs or [donate directly](#)

Many thanks to all who supported the clients of Hesed House over the weekend of May 23rd. Jill and Steve Wittwer organized the delivery of a wonderful hot meal from MyChef Catering, as well as sack lunches assembled in the homes of Knox members and friends.



A Note From Pastor Pat

Summer Time and the Living is . . . Crazy!

We've come into summer as a congregation out of . . .

- 3 months of remote, quarantined, virtual life,
- 4 months of concerns about how to live healthy lives and help others do the same,
- 4 weeks of societal unrest related to racism,
- 3 months of virtual worship, bibles studies, prayer groups, meetings,
- 3 months of discovering how to care for one another at a distance,
- 5 months of early-stage life as interim pastor (intentional transitional leader) and congregation, and
- 5 weeks of first-layer conversations about what we value about Knox and the dreams we have for our life and ministry.

All of this, and everything else we might put on the list of items that have brought us to this point as the people of God called KnoxPres, provides us a unique context for all we need to discover and be and do. One writer recently indicated the most important things we can all do right now in our larger national life is to care, listen and learn. I think that's also true for our life together as a congregation. These three elements find their fullest impact in action but only when we first settle into deep shared life that informs us well under God's gracious love. I trust that our many ministry elements fuel these best practices all summer long.

Speaking of summer, I encourage a huge affirmation for all our children, youth and young adult ministries that traditionally lead us to wonderful events during the summer.

[Donate online](#) - on Knox website and select fund Hesed House

[Wayside Cross](#)

Check out the Many ways to support Wayside Cross

[Donate online](#) - on Knox website and select fund Wayside Cross



A Big Thank You for all who helped to support Wayside Cross on Fill -A-Truck Sunday! It was a huge success!



During this pandemic, many of our neighbors are experiencing extreme stress and anxiety. On behalf of Knox, Mission Council has designated additional funds from its budget to help one of our mission partners who is addressing the needs of these neighbors, SamaraCare.

[SamaraCare](#) provides affordable, high-quality mental health services. We are grateful that Knox can help support them.

If you have any questions please contact Mission council elders Rachel Koritala (rachel.koritala@gmail.com) or Suzanne Harris (sharris0124@gmail.com).

We know each ministry that has been a long-standing hallmark of Knox has had to go virtual. That shift did not lessen the amazing leadership and investment that made such a difference in our Confirmation Class, VBS, Go & Serve, Young Adult Bible Study and other elements. For all our children of all ages, their mentors, their parents, their volunteers and their staff leaders, I offer a joyous thanks! It may not have been the beginning of summer for which you hoped, but you have all done amazingly wonderful work!

The summer now takes on a different, mid-summer feel. Let's all continue to invest in Knox wherever we are, so the Spirit's constant work in and through us bears great fruit for all God's purposes. In the midst of this crazy summer, God is still on a mission, and we each get to play our part one hot, lazy, crazy day at a time.

Pat

Summer Sermon Theme "Church Re-Discovered"



Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 5-7

June 28 - "True to Our Word"
Matt. 5:27-37

July 5 - "The Giving Life"
Matt. 5:38-48

July 12 - "The Generous Way"
Matt. 6:1-4

July 19 - "Spiritual Integrity"
Matt. 6:5-18

July 26 - "Our Hearts' Desires"
Matt. 6:19-34

Aug. 2 - "A Perfect Point of View"
Matt. 7:1-6



Starting in August, Dakota Partnership will begin collecting filled backpacks to help the students in Sisseton get off to a good start for the 2020-2021 school year.

[Click here](#) to get the school supply list and tag to attach to the backpack. You can also pick up a list and tag in the box outside Knox's front doors beginning July 8.

There will be three drop off days at Knox.
Sunday, August 2, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Monday, August 3, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Tuesday, August 4, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Please [click here](#) to visit the Dakota Partnership page for more info.

If you are not able to drop off at church please call Julie Milldrum at 630-470-7044. or email EducateRead1@gmail.com to make alternative arrangements.



Towels, Bedding, & Gently Used Clothing for Sisseton

We will again be collecting towels, bedding, blankets and gently used clothing for the homeless shelter and our Sisseton community. Used or new would be fantastic.

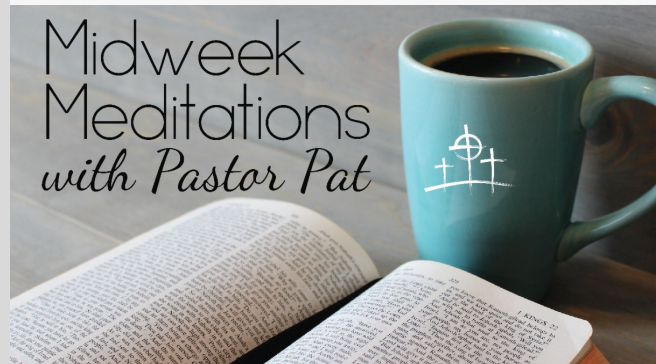
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Tuesday, August 4, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Aug. 9 - "The Essence of Life"
 Matt. 7:7-12

Aug. 16 - "A Productive Life"
 Matt. 7:13-23

Aug. 23 - "A Foundation That Lasts"
 Matt. 7:24-29



[Click Here to view Midweek Meditations](#)



Let's Talk Knox Continues...

If you weren't able to register for one of the previous groups, please register for any date & time that fits your schedule.

We value your thoughts and ideas to help Knox continue its mission & ministry now and for the future.

Pastor Pat and his wife, Laura look forward to meeting you.

Dates to sign up:

Monday, June 29 at 7:30 pm

Wednesday, July 8 at 7:30 pm

Thursday, July 16 at 7:30 pm

Monday, July 20 at 7:30 pm

Sunday, July 26 at 11:00 am

Thursday, July 30 at 7:30 pm

If you are not able to drop off at church please call Julie Milldrum at 630-470-7044. or email EducateRead1@gmail.com to make alternative arrangements.

If you need assistance, please email Bev Mayer at bmayer@knoxpres.org or call 630-202-5097

[Register Here](#)



[Click Here for Prayer Ministry Card](#)

Updated every Saturday

Send prayer requests to:

ourprayers@knoxpres.org

Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministers are here to serve you during this difficult time. They are lay people trained in Christian caregiving. They are available to any person experiencing a wide range of needs or crises. They offer encouragement and support through times of both joy and concern. It's a one-on-one listening and praying time. Please call Pastor Cindy 630-369-9197 or email ckaris@knoxpres.org

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep praying for all the Lord's people." *Ephesians 6:18*



An Interfaith Prayer Service for Racial Justice and Interfaith Solidarity.



Need Assistance?

Deacons are reaching out to parishioners regularly to touch base and see how the congregation is faring during this time. If you haven't heard from your deacon, please let Knox know if your contact information has changed. If you'd like additional outreach from Deacons, please contact Deacon moderator Shannon Adcock at 480-239-7175 or email happyhelpers@knoxpres.org



Agape Love

A box has been set up outside of the main doors of Knox. Everyone is welcome to put notes, pictures or little crafts in the box that will be given to various members in our congregation that may need more love right now and something to make them smile.

You can sign your name on them or leave them anonymous.

Let's spread the love of Christ to each other and be God's hands and feet during this time!

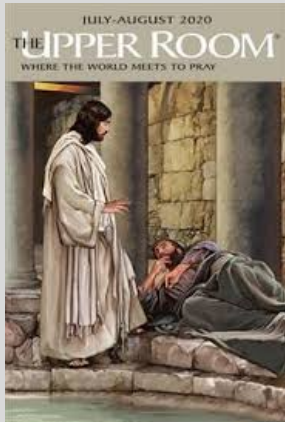
"Building the Beloved Community: Repairing the World."

Sunday, June 28 at 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Millennial Carillon, Naperville Riverwalk Park. Please wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

[Click Here For Livestream](#)

Sponsored by the Naperville Interfaith Leaders Association.



The July/August Upper Room is available at Knox in the box outside the front doors.

Ways To Stay Connected



Pray For Others

Zoom Bible Study

Contact info@knoxpres.org

Zoom Kids Bible Study

Contact ehartman@knoxpres.org

Zoom Young Adult Bible Study

Contact dnettleton@knoxpres.org

G3 Virtual Gathering



Our condolences go out to Karen & Brian Smith on the passing of Karen's Mother, Betty Neumann;

to Carol & Hugh Goodman on the passing of Carol's Mother, Alice Iverson;

to Carol White on the passing of her husband, Bob. The visitation is open to the public and will be Thursday, June 25 at Friedrich-Jones on Mill Street from 4-7 pm.



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Cooking For Others In Christ

Kids in the Kitchen Recipe Share!

Have you enjoyed seeing our family recipes each week? Kids in the Kitchen would like to feature your family's recipe!

You can send your recipe to

ehartman@knoxpres.org along with a little story behind the recipe. We will feature it on our Knox Kids Facebook group page as well as on the kids website for the week.

The church office is closed but if you need assistance please

call the church office

630-615-4324 or email

messageknox@knoxpres.org

Interested in joining?

Contact ehartman@knoxpres.org

Scripture Readers For Worship

Have you enjoyed seeing families read scripture during our service?

We would love to have your family read for our upcoming services. If you are interested, please reach out to Erin Hartman for more information at

ehartman@knoxpres.org

Knox Kids Group On Facebook

Interested in joining? Contact

ehartman@knoxpres.org

Worship
TOGETHER



SUNDAYS ONLINE @ 9AM

CLICK HERE TO VIEW OUR LIVESTREAM
REPLAY ANYTIME AFTER 9 AM

Other places to view is [Facebook](#) or
Knox Presbyterian Church [Youtube](#)
Channel



Each Week we will upload a new Bulletin, Prayer Card and Sunday School Activities to knoxpres.org and also send info through an email blast on Saturday.

Tithes & Offerings



Text
73256



**Cash/
Check**



Online
knoxpres.org



**Legacy
Gift**

Contributions Can Still Be Mailed To Knox

We are still collecting incoming mail at Knox, so if you normally send in your contributions by mail please continue to do so.

[Contribute Now](#)

Happenings at Knox



Evening Book Club



**Register Here
For Family Camp
Sept. 25 - 27**

[More Info & Register Here](#)

Book Club has been on hiatus during the Pandemic, but has decided to continue meeting via Zoom.

Our Zoom meeting dates will be the third Thursday of each month at 7 pm, for the foreseeable future. The July 16 book selection is Just Mercy, a timely true story by Bryan Stevenson.

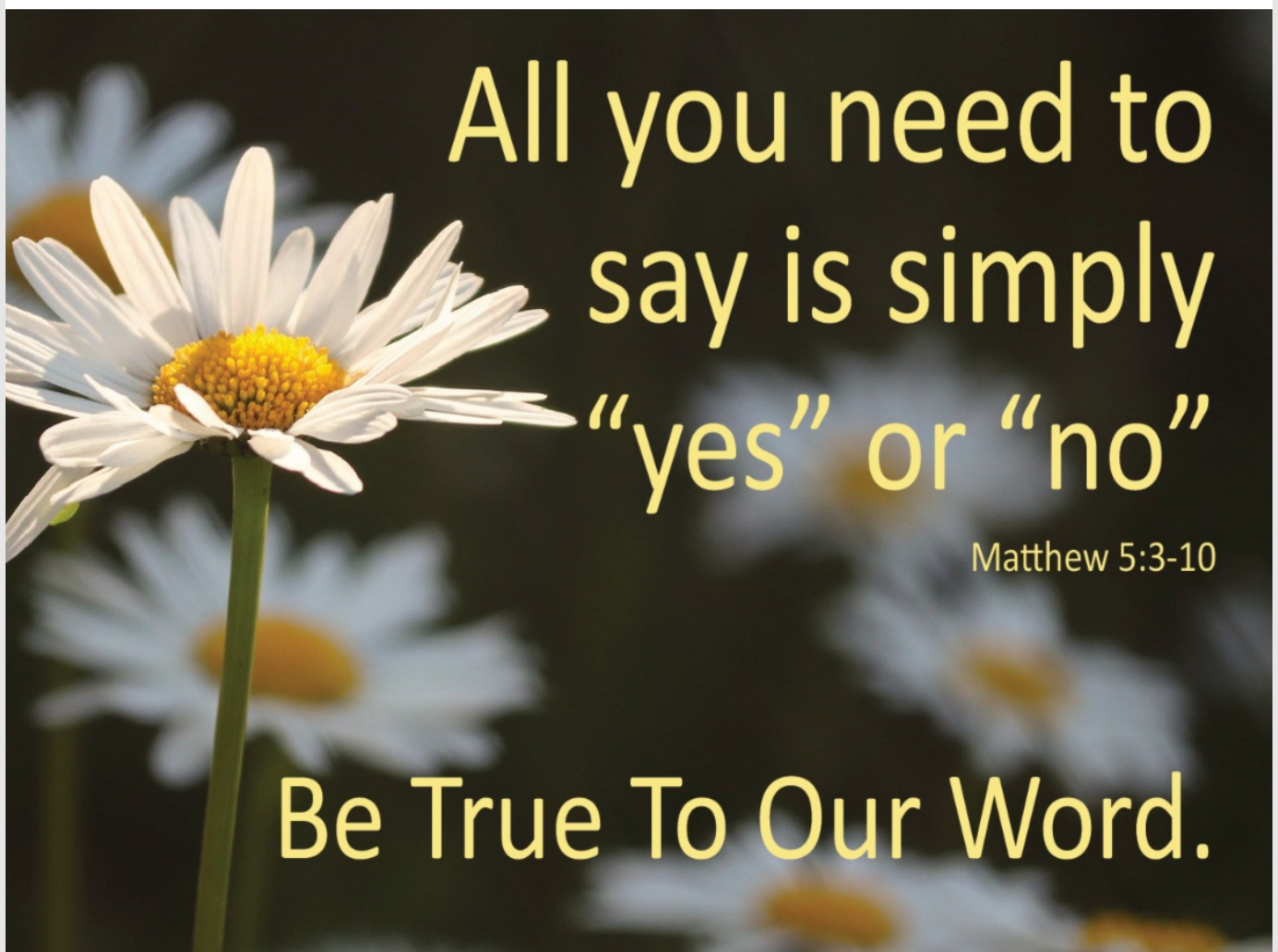
All readers are welcome, but you will need to email [Janice Wiles](mailto:Janice.Wiles@knoxblog.org) so that your name and email address can be added and you will receive the Zoom link. We will be making some changes to our upcoming reading list, which can be found on the Knox website.

Questions? Contact Janice Wiles at **630.416.9537**

[Click Here for Reading List](#)



Click the graphic to visit knoxblog.org for the most up to date info for the youth and young adults.



Enjoy Some Songs For Your Week!

[Christ In Me](#) by Jeremy Camp

[Changed](#) by Sanctus Real

[New Today](#) by Micah Tyler

[If We're Honest](#) by Francesca Battistelli

[I Know You Can](#) by Third Day

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