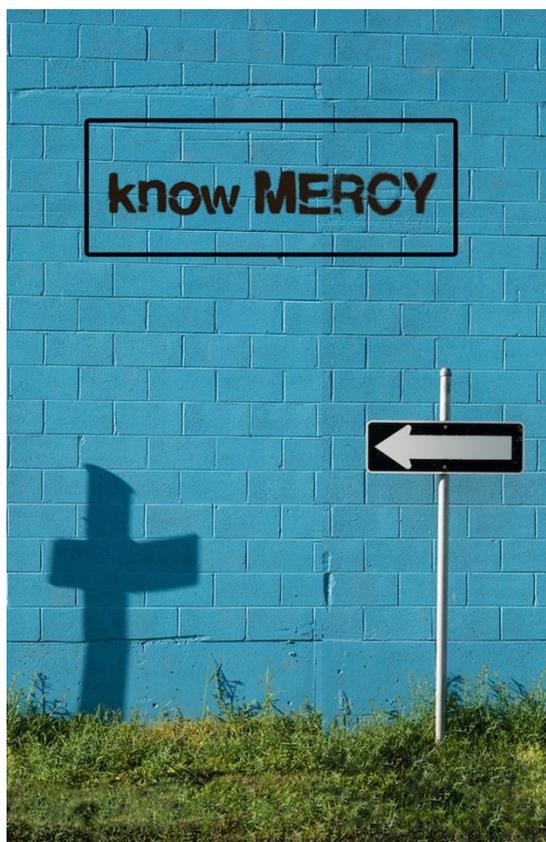


## A LETTER FROM REV DEB



Lent has begun! Ash Wednesday reminded us that from dust we have come and to dust we shall return, but through Jesus, the Christ, our sins become as dust. We become new creations in Christ; the past is finished and gone. Everything has become new! What hope lies in these words from 2nd Corinthians. What assurance we gain in our need for Jesus forgiveness.

The Lenten season this year gives us the opportunity to discover the biblical role of mercy, as well as what it means to apply mercy in our daily lives. Because we don't really use this word in our average daily conversation, important questions have emerged.

Why is it important to 'know' mercy?

What is the definition of mercy?

What is the difference between grace and mercy?

Stories of God's mercy are found throughout scripture. We first hear of mercy in Genesis in the story of Joseph and his brothers. In the end, Joseph offers compassion and forgiveness to the family who left him for dead. At the end of the Bible, the little known book of Jude has 4 references which offer mercy almost as a blessing.

To 'know' mercy is to have received it and in turn, be able to share it. To know it means someone has "walked a mile in your shoes", shown you understanding and patience. Mercy includes action toward another - consider God's actions of mercy or provision which are "new every morning".

The word mercy describes the action of extending grace. Grace is a gift which precedes mercy and mercy becomes grace enacted. Mercy is the daily acting out of grace upon others. Mercy begins with God as an action of care, provision and compassion. Once we have received it, we are compelled to share it!

### March Worship & Sermon Themes

- 3 Saturday's @ 5:00 "To Be Merciful"  
Mark 8: 27-34, Romans 4:16-25
- 4 "Wisdom & Mercy leads to Power"  
Rev. Cindy's 20th Anniversary Celebration  
Proverbs 3:1-5, 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

- 10 Saturday's @ 5:00 "Traveling Mercies"
- 11 Daylight Savings Time Begins  
4th Sunday in Lent  
Numbers 21:4-9, Ephesians 2:4-7, John 3:10-15  
10:30 - Middle School Bells
- 17 Saturday's @ 5
- 18 "Merciful Partnership"  
5th Sunday in Lent  
Jeremiah 31:31-34, Matthew 18:23-33  
9:00 - JAM sings
- 24 Saturday's @ 5  
Easter Fest - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

## Holy Week

- 25 Palm Sunday  
"A Life of Mercy"  
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, John 11:55-12:28
- 29 Maundy Thursday Service  
7:30 p.m. in Lehman Hall  
Communion  
Prayer Vigil begins at 8:30 p.m.
- 30 Good Friday  
12:00 noon in Sanctuary  
Prayer Vigil ends - last time slot at 7:00 p.m.
- 31 Saturday's @ 5:00  
Celebrate Easter
- Apr 1 Easter Sunday  
6:30 a.m. - Veteran's Park - communion  
9:00 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.  
Isaiah 43:1

## Knox Lenten Prayer Vigil - 24 Hours of Prayer

Please sign up for a 30 minute time slot in the Commons

For many years we have kept the vigil of prayer during Holy Week. This time of prayer begins with the Maundy Thursday service at 7:30 and goes straight through until Good Friday evening at 7:30 pm. We remember how Jesus asked his disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane to be at prayer with him. The disciples fell asleep. Our vigil of prayer seeks to deepen our commitment and relationship to Jesus.

We invite people to sign up for a 30 minute time slot and to spend it in our lovely Chapel at Knox. The time can be spent in reflection, reading or prayer. The sign up poster is in the Commons.

More than one person can be in the Chapel at a time in prayer. Also, we are pleased to have people pray

at home as well and to sign up, but we look for someone to be in the Chapel through out the vigil.

Join us in the very important ministry of prayer this Holy Week.

# PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

“Every new day  
is a chance  
to change  
your life.”

All women of Knox should mark May 16 on their calendars for the annual spring luncheon. Babysitting will be provided for children 5 and under.

With humor and personal experiences, Vashanti Taylor will lead us on a journey about how we can make positive changes in our lives. Don't miss the opportunity for fun, food, and fellowship.

Reserve your spot NOW for the churchwide gathering of Presbyterian Women in Louisville, Kentucky, August 2 – 5, 2018. Participants will enjoy workshops, tours, forums, resource gathering (and shopping!), plenary sessions with inspiring speakers, worship and more.



PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMEN

Women in the Presbytery of Chicago Spring Gathering is Sat. April 21, 2018, in Park Ridge, IL For information, contact Linda Adcock, [lindaadcock7@hotmail.com](mailto:lindaadcock7@hotmail.com)

The Coordinating Team Meeting for Knox Presbyterian Women will meet March 5, 2018, in the church parlor at 6:45 pm for refreshments and fellowship. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:00. All women

of Knox are invited to attend. Contact Linda Adcock ([lindaadcock7@hotmail.com](mailto:lindaadcock7@hotmail.com) or [630.278.9894](tel:630.278.9894)) for more information or questions. Note time change.

## Circles

**Rachel-Rebecca Circle** will meet March 13 at 9:30 am at the home of Anne Sherren. Please study Lesson 7. Please RSVP to Anne at [atsherren@noctrl.edu](mailto:atsherren@noctrl.edu) or 630-932-0481. Anyone interested in finding out more about our Circle is welcome to visit.



**Ruth Circle** will meet on Thursday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the church Parlor. All are invited to attend for a time of fellowship, study and prayer. Please join this evening Circle anytime throughout the year. If you have any questions, please contact Bev Mayer at [bmayer@knoxpres.org](mailto:bmayer@knoxpres.org) or call her direct line at [630-615-4325](tel:630-615-4325).

**Mary Martha Circle** will meet at 9.30 am Tuesday, March 13. For more information, please contact [suejohnpeter@gmail.com](mailto:suejohnpeter@gmail.com).

If you want more information about joining a circle, contact Linda Adcock.  
(630-278-9894 or [lindaadcock7@hotmail.com](mailto:lindaadcock7@hotmail.com))



## Women on Wednesdays

Women on Wednesdays is currently studying Liz Curtis Higg's "Bad Girls of the Bible: And What We Can Learn from Them". Each week we meet and study a new "bad girl" so new members are welcome at any time! In looking at what we can learn from Biblical women gone bad through her "novel approach to Bible study," Liz brings to life ancient stories and unforgettably reveals how timeless truths of the Bible apply to today's woman. WOW meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-11:15 with coffee and fellowship, DVD presentations, large and small group discussions and prayer. WOW is for women of **all ages** and Bible knowledge and also includes childcare for little ones from birth to age 5. We welcome newcomers! Questions? Contact Robin Kolar at [skolar7227@aol.com](mailto:skolar7227@aol.com) or Margaret Lambka at [mllambka2@gmail.com](mailto:mllambka2@gmail.com).



## Women's Retreat

April 27, Friday 6:00PM - Sunday April 29, 11:00 am  
Renew & Refresh, with Caryn Rivadeneira.

**Register Here**

Time for some R&R! Join us for a weekend retreat of relaxation, quiet, peace and personal reflection. The spacious 47 acre property of LaSalle Manor Retreat Center (20 miles and 40 minute drive west of Knox Church) has wooded paths, a prairie and small lake. Benches are around the property and a deck overlooks the lake. All rooms are single occupancy (each has single bed, desk, closet and sink), with private showers in a single per hallway bathroom facility. The lodge is comprised of stones and logs, with many breakout spaces. Take time walking the labyrinth and gardens. There will be group time with speakers, small group discussions, and Sunday Service. During our extended Saturday afternoon freetime enjoy LaSalle Manor's amenities, take a nap, chat with the speakers or enjoy a conversation with friends, both old and new!

# MISSIONS AT KNOX

## Companions' Mother's Day Project 2018

THANK YOU Knox...for touching the lives of thousands of people who feel forgotten at Christmas. Thank you for your donations of cards, stamps, money and time. Thank you for caring! Your efforts have made a difference as evidenced below in the thank you from someone who receives your cards.

" Thank you so very much. You have been there for me all these years more than my own family. Sending me a birthday card and Christmas cards every year for my whole time being locked up- 10+ years. Keep up being very humble and God will work. God bless you. "

People confined in 12 state prisons and county jails, adult and juvenile, received cards signed from many of you and thousands of unsigned cards to send to their loved ones. We are so grateful for this help.

### Mother's Day Project

Packets of pretty writing materials are given to imprisoned and juveniles so they have something nice to

send to their mothers or children at Mother's Day. Won't you help?

**Materials we need:**

Postage stamps

Stationery, Mother's Day, thinking of you and blank note cards

Gallon zip lock bags

Donations to help cover delivery costs (please make checks out to Companions Journeying Together, Inc)

**\*\*We cannot use cards, envelopes or stationery, that has anything glued, pasted or taped on or stickers \*\*\***

**Date to Assemble Mother's Day Packets**

Thursday, March 22, 9 am – Noon, Knox Presbyterian Church in the Coffee Bar

Monday, April 2, 1-4 pm, Grace United Methodist Church in the Fireside Room (lower level)

Bring donations with you...or drop them off in the marked gold box on the mission cabinets beside the coffee bar. Yes, there will be coffee, goodies and Jana Minor founder of Companions. Such a wise, caring lady! For questions, call or text Mimi ( Mary Ellen) Neumeister [630-408-1553](tel:630-408-1553)

## Crop Walk



If you are interested to hear (more) about the Naperville Area CROP Hunger Walk or want to know what happens with your CROP \$\$ we suggest you join other walkers and sponsors at the CROP Hunger Walk 'Thank You' gathering. This social event will take place on Sunday, April 8, starting at 2 pm at Loaves & Fishes Community Services located at 1871 High Grove Lane in Naperville. The program will consist of a tour of the Loaves and Fishes facility and a few short videos of how the CROP \$\$ are used globally. Please email Ineke Pelella ([ineke.pelella@yahoo.com](mailto:ineke.pelella@yahoo.com)) if you plan to attend.

## Spring is Coming, really!! It's Time Again to Clean Your Closets

On Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> Knox will sponsor and host the Wayside Cross Ministries truck for our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual "Fill-A-Truck" Sunday. Our Knox family has been faithful servants to the residents of Wayside Cross and filled the truck every year for the past 9 years. The men and women of Wayside Cross thank you.



Clean your closets, dresser drawers, and storage areas. Give the men and women of Wayside Cross your outgrown or gently used clothes.

Your donation of clean clothing will help serve hundreds of people with meals, clothing, and lodging. Your clothing will either be distributed through the Community Outreach Program or turned into \$\$\$ for WCM in the Hope Chest Resale Store. Children's toys, strollers, small furniture and counter-top appliances can also be donated. Even ripped or torn clothing is turned into \$\$\$ by recycling to organizations that provide clothing to third world countries.

If you have something larger, arrangements can be made for pick-ups of furniture, larger items or appliances, by calling Wayside Cross Ministries at 630-892-4239 or filling out the form on the WCM website, [www.waysidecross.org](http://www.waysidecross.org) . If you have any questions about this event or Wayside Cross Ministries, call Gary McGregor at (630) 926-2603.

## Are YOU Coming?



Come to South Dakota on Saturday June 23 thru Friday, June 29 and/or to Montana on Sunday July 15 thru Friday July 20, to serve Christ among the Lakota Sioux Communities.

“The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.” (Luke 10:2) Are you ready to Love? Each year, the Dakota Partnership brings the message of God’s love to hundreds of children in South Dakota and Montana who welcome us as teachers and friends, willing too share ourselves and Jesus. Individuals, and families come to serve from 5-10 Chicago area

Presbyterian Churches and two inner Chicago area ministries to serve in Vacation Bible Schools, Food Prep/meal serving, and work/maintenance projects to monument churches, some dating into the 1860’s! We stay in local motels and meals are served and communally shared with locals at a Sisseton Church. Where: Sisseton SD June 23-29 and Ft Peck MT July 15-20

**Register HERE**

Transportation available in rental vans for those unable to drive. Personal cars may have ride share availability.

Registration available above or [www.knoxpres.org](http://www.knoxpres.org). Select registration/signups.

Questions on Sisseton? Contact Mike Loftus [loftus51@copmcasts.net](mailto:loftus51@copmcasts.net) or Sue Goll [sgollcci@gmail.com](mailto:sgollcci@gmail.com)

Questions on Ft Peck? Contact Brian Beard [deb.beard@gmail.com](mailto:deb.beard@gmail.com) or Mary

Clauss [Mclauss@parvinclauss.com](mailto:Mclauss@parvinclauss.com)

## Loaves & Fishes



The next Hunger Sunday is **March 4**. Donations can be left on the cart in front of the Commons or in the bin next to the Mission Council table. Thank you!

**Most Needed Items: pasta, crackers, dry cereal**

## Go & Serve 2018

### Pasta Dinner Fundraiser



Our annual Pasta Dinner Fundraiser will be held in Lehman Hall at Knox on Wednesday, March 7 from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. Please come out and support our youth mission trip this year. Invite your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, small group, and teammates. Cost is \$8 per person or \$25 per family of four or more. Sign-ups will be taken in the Commons after services on February 18 and 25, and March 4. Advanced sign-ups are preferred, but walk-ins are always welcome. Gluten Free options will be

available. Not able to sit down with us that night? Take out is available! Contact Ginger Ovens ([gingerovens@gmail.com](mailto:gingerovens@gmail.com)) or Greta Williams ([gretawms@aol.com](mailto:gretawms@aol.com)) to pre-order!

### Important Go & Serve Dates:

Online registration is now open!!! – Early registration cost - \$360

March 15 Early registration ends – cost increases to \$410

March 30 LAST DAY to register for Go & Serve

## Support G&S at Hopvine Brewing Co.



Every third Thursday of each month (all year!) join other members of Knox at Hopvine Brewing Co ([4030 Fox Valley Center Drive](http://4030 Fox Valley Center Drive), Aurora) for lunch or dinner. Mention Knox Go & Serve and provide the coupon available in the Commons to your server and Knox Go & Serve will receive 10% of your dining

bill. Friends and family welcome!

## Hesed House

Volunteer as a ***Family*** for Hesed House

***New Schedule for Serving meals:***

**Young Families (Middle School)**

1<sup>st</sup> shift (6:00p – 9:30p)

(10-12 volunteers – serve the food/assist with check-in, kitchen clean-up)

**Older Families (High School)**

Short 3<sup>rd</sup> shift (5:00a - 7:00a)

(6-8 volunteers – serve the food/staff the store)

**I started doing Hesed House as something I could do with my kids!**



***Adult*** Volunteering for Hesed House

**Dinner Preparation in Advance**

Casseroles can be prepared and delivered to Knox ***anytime*** the week prior to the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month



**Lunch Preparation**  
2<sup>nd</sup> shift (9:30p – midnight) 4-6 volunteers perfect for a ***fellowship group*** (you make about 140 lunches)

**Breakfast Preparation**

Long 3<sup>rd</sup> Shift (3:00a – 7:00a)

(3-4 volunteers – prepare the egg bakes, oatmeal, juice and coffee in preparation for arrival of the serving team)



***Adult*** Volunteering for Hesed House

**Shopping for Groceries**

Afternoon of 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month (2-3 hours)

(2 volunteers – pickup the pre-ordered groceries from Sam's Club, shop at Aldi for select items and deliver to Hesed House)

**Shift Leaders/Shift Volunteers**

1<sup>st</sup> Shift (6:00p – 9:30p)

3<sup>rd</sup> Shift (3:00a – 7:00a)



***You don't have to let the families have all the fun!!!!***

***Sign-up On-line*** or contact Jill Wittwer or Rudi Tanck, Rachel Koritala, Rev Cindy

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

VBS - Shipwrecked

June 18 – 22

9:00 am – 11:30 am

3 years (potty trained to Entering 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

**Register Online Today! Early Registration ends May 15.**

Family Mission Event – Packing Breakfast Meals for  
Loaves and Fishes

Sunday, March 11



**Loaves & Fishes**  
Ending Hunger in Our Community

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

We will gather in Lehman Hall for some pizza and then families with kids of all ages will begin to pack meals for Loaves and Fishes. This is a perfect opportunity to teach your children the importance of mission by doing it together.



## Arts Camp

July 9 – 13

9:30 am – 12:00 pm

Entering 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Entering 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Register Online by June 25**

## Blessed Ones Dance & Music Ministry

Sundays, Apr 22 – May 6

11:30 am – 12:00 pm

3 years – Kindergarten

Performance at the 10:30 am Service on May 13 – Mother's Day!

**Register Online**



## Fourth Grade Service

During the Wednesday Evening Program Pastor Clint and Jenny Hubbard work with the 4th Grade Bible Study class to prepare a worship service for the congregation. The service will be on Apr 15 at the 9:00 am Worship Service. You do not need to be registered on Wednesday Evenings to participate. If your fourth grader is interested in being a part of the worship service, please contact Jenny Hubbard at [630.615.4318](tel:630.615.4318) or [jhubbard@knoxpres.org](mailto:jhubbard@knoxpres.org).

# MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRIES



## G3 – Middle School Fellowship

Game Night

Friday, March 9

7:00 pm – 9:00 am

**Register Online**

# HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRIES

## Spring Retreat – March 16-18

What: Knox Senior High Spring Retreat

When: March 16-18; Leave 5 PM Fri; Return 12:30-12:45 Sun

Where: Stronghold Center

Cost: \$130 registration thru March 4; \$150 starting March 5 until midnight March 14

Registrations after March 4 are not guaranteed a spot or t-shirt.

Invite your friends!

What Makes the Spring Retreat Special:

1. It's in a castle!
2. Awesome Youth Talks & Small Groups!
3. Tower worship!
4. Lots of games and snacks!

Scholarships are available. Please contact David Newby: [312-969-0011](tel:312-969-0011)

**Register Here**



# CHURCH NEWS

## March 4 is Pastor Cindy Karis' 20th Anniversary at Knox!

Please plan on attending worship this Sunday, March 4th as Knox celebrates 20 years of ministry from Associate Pastor Rev. Cindy Karis. A special Reception has been planned for 10:00am between services so all may greet and congratulate her.

Cindy joined Knox's Staff in March of 1998, just three months before the departure of Senior Pastor Dr. Bruce Langford. She served the Congregation during the transition to Co-Pastors Clint and Deb Roberts in late 1999 and has served alongside them as part of Knox's pastoral team ever since.

Cindy has blessed Knox with an outstanding ministry of visitation, counseling and pastoral care; Divorce and Bereavement workshops; Women's Bible Studies and Mission Outreach. She has served this congregation for an entire generation, seeing our children grow from baptism to confirmation to college. Her compassion, commitment to mission and her loving outreach to those carrying burdens of sickness, suffering or loss are now a part of Knox's DNA--not to mention her laughter and joy in living!



Happy 20th anniversary, Cindy! You, Harold and Jackie are a blessing to us!

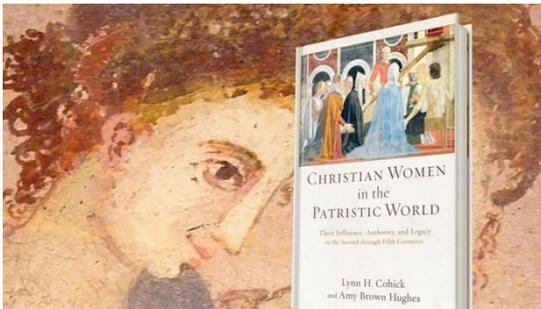
## The Adult Ed Council and Curious Christians Are on the Road Again!

On Saturday, April 7, we will travel to the University of Chicago Campus where we will meet up with Dr.

Ken Sawyer who will first lead us on a docent-led tour at the Oriental Museum before heading to the McCormick Theological Seminary JKM Library. This trip is a follow-up to the Reformation presentation Dr. Sawyer made last October. The Library houses several significant collections, including Luther manuscript letters and printed works, Swedish and German hymnals, several original editions of Luther's German Bible and many 16-century treatises and pamphlets, and we are working on securing permission to view these materials!

Stay tuned for all the details, but we will travel by van from Knox leaving in the morning around 9:30 am. Our tours will take us into the early afternoon and we are planning on a group lunch in the Campus neighborhood. Like many of the Curious Christian tours we expect to arrive back at Knox around 3:00 pm.

Registration, including payment, will be available on-line. Information on registration and payment, will also be available in the Commons on Sunday's. Check the Sunday Bulletin for new updates and look for the Adult Ed Council members to ask questions!



## Adult Ed Lunch & Learn

March 18  
Lunch and Learn  
Lunch at 11:30am, Speaker at noon



Lynn Cohick, Ph.D.  
Wheaton College  
"Called to One Hope" the Talk of the Mary's  
\$5 registration includes sandwich/chips/salad lunch

**Register Here**



## Men's Breakfast

The next Mankind event is a breakfast on April 14, including a presentation by Knox's own author, Loren Pollard, speaking on "First People: Stories of Indigenous Nations of North America." Loren will enlighten us with stories of the defendants of three distinct migrations, from Siberia, (discovered via DNA analysis) starting about 16,000 BCE, (newer discoveries suggest possibly 28,000 BCE) who took advantage of warming events to migrate to North America and then to South America. Think about those dates in the context of the story of Abraham in our Old Testament. Please confirm your attendance on the Mankind website.

## Family Camp

Knox is offering a Family Camp weekend on Sept 21 - 23 at [Covenant Harbor, Lake Geneva, WI](#). We only have 16 rooms so register by June.

**Register Here**

The weekend will include many fun activities provided by the camp as well as Bible Study, games for the kids and Sunday morning worship led by Rev. Clint and Jenny Hubbard. Downtown Lake Geneva is a 15 minute



walk away along the lake shore which also offers many fun opportunities. Check out the picture display at the Kid's Oasis in Fellowship Hall to see pictures from last year.

If you would like to help us plan group activities for the weekend please contact Jenny!

#### Room and pricing details:

Room description: each room has a queen bed and a twin bed. All mattresses are Temper-Pedic and very comfortable. Two additional rollaway mattresses can be added for a total of 4 mattresses per room. Each room has 2 arm chairs that can be taken out if rollaways are needed. Family maximum occupancy per room is 6 or max of 4 adults. Adults are ages 12&up.

- Adult Fees: One Adult in room \$400.00
- Two adults in room \$450.00
- Three adults in room \$500.00
- Four adults in room \$550.00
- Cost for children 4-11 \$30 per child

There are many opportunities for fun and fellowship at Family Camp. Don't miss out! Questions – contact Jenny Hubbard at [jhubbard@knoxpres.org](mailto:jhubbard@knoxpres.org) or [630.615.4318](tel:630.615.4318)

**Evening Book Club** will gather in the Knox parlor at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 14. This month's book is Hope Heals: a true story of overwhelming loss and an overcoming love, by Katherine and Jay Wolf. All are welcome to join us for discussion and fellowship. Our reading list for future months can be found on the Knox website, under 'Groups'. Please contact Janice Wiles with any questions at [630.416.9537](tel:630.416.9537) or [wilesjan@gmail.com](mailto:wilesjan@gmail.com).



## Dr. Anne T. Sherren Scholarship

**Have you considered a call to full time Christian Ministry?**

**Have you ever considered applying for a Sherren Scholarship?**

**Have you ever prayed for someone to prepare for a career in full time Christian Ministry?**

Applications are now being accepted for the 2017 Dr. Anne T. Sherren Scholarship.

**Deadline for applications is March 15, 2018.** Contact the Church Office for an

application form. Applicants should be persons pursuing a full-time career in Christian Service. If you have questions please contact Anne Sherren at 630-932-.0481 or [atsherren@noctrl.edu](mailto:atsherren@noctrl.edu).



## Media Coordinator Brian Hubbard Leaves for a New Adventure

April 1 (Easter Sunday) will be the last day Brian Hubbard serves as Knox's Media Coordinator. After completing nearly five years of service, Brian is leaving Staff (but not Knox!) to pursue a new business enterprise that will require him to travel extensively on weekends.

Brian has done an outstanding job providing media and AV support to Knox's worship and other ministries while supervising a team of paid and volunteer workers. Technical support of Knox's ministries has grown substantially over the past half decade and will continue to do so into the future.

Thank you, Brian, for a job well done! You will be deeply missed in the AV Loft on Sundays. God bless you in your new endeavors!

-Rev. Clint Roberts, Head of Staff

# The Presbytery Assembly Summary

At the Presbytery Assembly meeting on February 10, 2018 at First Presbyterian Church of Evanston the Rev. Susan D. Krummel was installed as Executive Presbyter of Chicago Presbytery.



Ms. Loretta Grati-Bremer was recognized as she retires from her paid work in the presbytery office. (She will still be around as a commissioner from Western Springs!) The Rev. John Chu was also installed as the 2018 Presbytery Moderator.

PCC approved the creation of the Stated Clerk Nominating Committee as our Stated Clerk, Rev. Barbara Bundick will be retiring at the end of September.

## [Called: a podcast about the Gifts of God](#)

The presbytery has started a podcast to introduce you to the folks in leadership positions and to find out how and where God is moving in and through the lives of Presbyterians in the Chicagoland area. Available wherever you listen to podcasts.



## One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

**Who is my neighbor?** Jesus reminds us that it is in offering others water from our well that we find springs of living water. When we open ourselves to the needs of our sisters and brothers, we find those springs filling the parched hollows of our own souls.

**We offer help to many people through the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering.** This Presbyterian Denominational Wide Offering goes to three agencies which all offer aid and hope to those in need.

\* (1) **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Program** has been on the scene with Church World Service after several water disasters in 2005 (Houston, Puerto Rico and Florida) **When disaster strikes you have already given to help with an immediate response.** After the disasters chaos comes hope.

\* (2) **Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program** works with people in need to support programs to bring hope and life in various parts of the world, this includes materials for wells for safe drinking water.

\* (3) **Presbyterian Hunger Program** also offers people around the world hope and living water by joining hands with many groups to improve the quality of life by providing safe food and water. In areas lacking crops, food is supplied to avert a famine.



For over 50 years Presbyterians have observed the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering during Lent. Knox has participated in this Presbyterian Denominational Wide Offering for its History. All of us should count our blessings and make a generous contribution. Many gifts add up to make an impact. For our newer members we may think of this offering as the Lenten Offering. This offering started on the local congregational level in many denominations across the country. This was done as response to help healing people in need. This offering gives us a chance to give something extra to areas that are truly in current need. For more information read your weekly bulletin inserts during Lent. There are envelopes in the pews for your generous contributions. If you have additional questions, contact one of your pastors or Mission Council members.

Knox will receive the **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** each Sunday during Lent, beginning Ash Wednesday (February 14) with the culmination on Palm Sunday (March 25). **Thank you for your generous gifts.**

## June & July Newsletter Combined

Changes are coming to the newsletter! The June & July newsletter will be combined into one issue, please be thinking ahead for articles that you would like to be in this new streamlined issue. The deadline will be June 18. We will be combining more issues in the future as we move to a more digital means of communication and marketing for Knox events. We hope you will begin to reply on the Calendar of Events inserted into the bulletins, the website, and weekly email blasts.



# MINISTRY TO SENIORS

## Hall of Famers Lunch Thursday, March 8!

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Featuring Musical Entertainment with Irish Theme

Presented by Sandi Haynes, Professional Jazz Vocalist and Flute Player

Please join us for worship in the chapel at 11:30 am before lunch at noon.  
Cost: \$7

For reservations, please call: Diane Heintz at [630.615.4324](tel:630.615.4324) by Monday, March 5.



# CARE MINISTRIES

## **Illness/Health Concerns:**

Patricia Renggli (mother of Anne Renggli)  
Brent Fry (friend of Carol and Charlie O'Neill)  
Ryon Degenhart (relative of Pam Guth)  
Dede Gruenberg (sister of Lori Dickens)  
Edgar Eloby (co-worker of Kevin Williams)  
Debby Hunter (niece of Beverly Aper)  
Steve Macaluso (neighbor of Jeff and Sara Egan)  
Amy Bratsos  
Kevin Pierce (former neighbor of de Conings)  
Jim Albrecht  
David Hill (brother of Patty Reed)  
Marge Nevin  
Holly Delahoussaye (Anne Sherren's cousin's daughter)  
Karen Hargis  
Paula Brady (Becca Hyde Goering's mother-in-law)  
Georgette Arnold  
Wayne Zascoda (Shirley McDonald's niece's husband)  
Lois Whitlock  
Mary Zascoda (Shirley McDonald's niece)  
Pat Carter  
Linda Spear (Amanda Hartley's stepmother)  
Marlene Parker  
Julie Eylander (Arlene Beslic's daughter)  
Phyllis Wheeler  
Ron Champagne (Stacey Barrett's father)  
Helen Brassington  
Jenny Craig Rantz (Susan Tokh's niece)  
Marlene Larson  
Dave Olson (Kathi Olson's son)  
Mark Bickler  
Nathan Horek (Mary and Barry Horek's son)  
Pat Tweito  
Vince Streff (father of Peg Foltz)  
Bev Frier  
Pete Johanknecht (Lori Rose's father)  
Theresa Inman  
Lisa Huerkamp (friend of Sue Goll)  
Jean Donahue  
Lou Daddezio (Kristina Mastrino's father)  
Pat Daddezio (Kristina Matrino's mother)  
Kathryn Luco (daughter of Ann & David Bebb Jones)  
Susie Tabbert (Jan Parry's aunt)  
Theresa Inman (Tabor Hills)  
Rose Smith (mother of Tom Smith)  
Laura Varney (Doug Varney's mother)  
Sue Evans (Jan Parry's sister-in-law)  
Leanne Rakosnik (co-worker of Diane Gilmer)  
Norman Pfeiffer (Eric Pfeiffer's father)  
Eleanor Antenen  
Steve Mazzarella (retired Naperville North teacher)  
Arlene Parker (Edward Hospital)  
Jack Parker  
Larry McCoy  
Jean Donohue  
Tom Vosburgh  
Karen Brigham  
Dale Colby  
Carol O'Neill  
Rita Eagleson

Carol Pogue  
Drew Mastrino  
Will Reishus  
Caitlin Ritenour  
Hank Mittelhauser (The Springs at Monarch Landing)  
Lana Levine (Zach Sullivan's mother)  
John MacDonald (Tom MacDonald's father)  
Patti Crowley (sister of Bob Pierce)  
Jon Lim (friend of Nico de Coning) now in rehabilitation facility in Minnesota

## **Grieving:**

### **The friends and family of:**

**Peter Laper** on his death (close friend of Clinton Roberts)  
**Brenda Barrett** on her death (sister of Brian Smith)  
**Marilyn Garbe** on her death (Tim Garbe's mother)  
**Virginia Grant** on her death (Caitlin Ritenour's grandmother)  
**Joette Myers** on her sudden death (friend of several Knox members)  
**Cathy Plunkett** on her death (Jim Sault's sister-in-law)  
**Ruth Tuma** on her death  
**Bette Zenker** on her death (Kathy Schulte's mother)  
**Jerry Borg** on his death  
**Bob Stout** on his death (friend of Kevin and Kim Williams)  
**Evan Myers** on his death (friend of several Knox members)  
**Scott Stephens** on his death (close friend of Scott Elliott)  
**Vince Amoroso** on his death (husband of relative of Diane Heintz)  
**Carol Rakowsky** on her death (former Knox organist)  
**Patrick Guest** on his death (cousin of Dotty Mobley)  
**Leonard Lorenz** on his death (uncle of Ross Lorenz)

## **Congratulations:**

**Catherine & Robert Thomas Quiring** on the birth of their daughter Emma Joy on December 26.  
**Sarah & Dan Witzigreuter** on the birth of their son Kaden Kirby on November 30.  
**Laura & Nate Ahearn** on the birth of their daughter Faith Emma on January 16.  
**Emily & Aaron Shemon** on the birth of their daughter Evelyn Ruby Veronica on January 12.

## **Nursing Home/Home Bound:**

**Pick up a weekly prayer concerns card in the Commons for a list of our members who are in nursing homes & home bound.**