

# PRESBYTERIAN KNOX NEWS

March 2019

# **A Letter From Rev Clint**



## **Lent: the Upward Way**

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection...Not that I have already attained this... but I press on to make it my own because Christ Jesus had made me his own...Beloved...this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

-St. Paul (Phil. 3:10-14)

#### Dear Member & Friends:

For a Christian, there can be no higher calling than "to know Christ and the power of his resurrection." Here is the lifetime goal of everyone who believes in Him who said, "I am the resurrection and the life."(John 11:25) Even like Paul, that colossus of faith, most of us cannot say we have attained this goal. What then must we do (or become) to know Christ better?

#### 1. "Knowledge" Implies a Relationship.

When Paul speaks of "knowing" Christ, he isn't speaking about memorizing Bible verses or taking a bunch of seminary courses in Christology. He's speaking of a living, personal and intimate relationship with Jesus Christ, more intimate even that between a husband and wife. The only way to pursue such "knowing" is to open your heart and mind and invite Christ to enter in. He will never force Himself upon you—He respects your integrity too much ever to do that. But when He is freely and sincerely invited to do so, His presence will dwell within you, renewing your mind and transforming your life. The spiritual discipline which brings this about is constancy in prayer.

#### 2. Forget What Lies Behind.

Yesterday is over, except within memory. You may revisit the past, but you can never relive it. The past is filled with regrets and endless might-have-beens. These things are behind you now, if you will only release them. You can forget them! You can reject their power over you. What's done may be done—but God is with you right now! You seek new life in the power of Christ's resurrection. This is something already accomplished that does not lie behind but ahead. Think about that.

#### 3. Strain Forward to What Lies Ahead.

What an adventure life is! Paul envisioned it like a great footrace, where runners pressed mind and body to the utmost limit for the sake of winning the crown of laurel—the ultimate prize. Your Creator calls you to worship and live with all your heart, mind,

strength and will. None of us, of course, can do this on our own. But Christ has made you His own, by calling you His friend and laying down His life for you. His living presence within you now will bring you to the finish and your own starry crown.

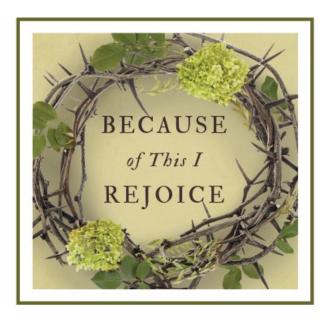
#### 4. Know the Power of His Resurrection.

God did not raise Jesus on the third day for Christ's sake. He did it for you. God did this thing to fulfill all righteousness, to demonstrate once and for all time that Jesus Christ really is the way and the truth and the life. Following His life and teaching is the way into a life of full communion with God. As such, His resurrection forms the fulfillment of God's will for your own life as well.

Jesus' resurrection was an event of consummate power—the power of life itself over death and hell. The benefits of such a divine yet human event are meant for you. The power of Jesus' resurrection can bring about a resurrection in your own life today no less than in the hour of your death. For death and life are already at war within you. This is why it is so important to understand that the power of His resurrection is the power of enduring love.

This season of Lent, I invite you to take "the upward way" toward your high calling in God, knowing that full communion awaits you when the race is finished and your crown is won. May you "press on" to "know" Jesus Christ! May you "strain forward" to embrace God's good plans for your future with not a portion but with all your heart and mind and strength and will! However imperfectly you do this, in doing so you will be blessed.

With Joy, Clint



# Lent Sermon Series-Reading Philippians During Lent

(based on the book by Max O. Vincent)

During March and April Knox will be observing Lent from a perspective of joy as we use Paul's letters to the Philippians to explore the spiritual discipline of following Jesus Christ.

#### March 6: Ash Wednesday "Rejoicing In Our Humanity"

Jenny Hubbard, M-div.

Come to the Service at 7:00 pm to hear Jenny Hubbard preach on the spiritual meaning of the Lenten Season. At the end of the service, worshipers can receive the imposition of ashes.

#### March 9 & 10: "Joyful Prayer"

Rev. Cindy Karis

"Constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for you." –Philippians 1:4 How, amid the practice of disciplined prayer did Paul maintain a sense of joy? What is the source of joy in his prayers for these Philippians?

#### March 16 & 17: "Joyful Witness"

Rev. Clinton Roberts

"I want you to know, beloved, that what has happened to me has actually helped to spread the gospel." –Philippians 1:12

Paul offers us an example of how to discipline our witness so that telling our story is a part of what God wants to accomplish.

#### March 23 & 24: "Joyful Humility"

Darin Nettleton, M-div.

"Make my joy complete." -Philippians 2:2

Christian unity grows through Christ like humility. Christ's form is humble, self-denying, and self-sacrificing, and Paul wants us to emulate it.

#### March 30 & 31: "Joyful Hospitality"

Rev. Clinton Roberts

"Welcome him then in the Lord with all joy, and honor such people." –Philippians 2:29 In the early church, welcoming a Christian brother orf sister is akin to welcoming Christ. Jesus said, "When you have done it to one of the least of these, you have done it unto me." (Matt. 25:31-46)

#### April 6 & 7: "Joyful Asceticism"

Jenny Hubbard, M-div.

"Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord." -Philippians 3:1

We do not have to sell everything we have, leave our families, and go to the desert like the early monastics to live the asceticism that Paul believes forms the heart of Christian living. Paul asks us to practice an asceticism that confronts whatever would get in the way of us pursuing Christ.

#### Saturday, April 13 & Palm Sunday, April 14: "Joyful Giving"

Rev. Clinton Roberts

"I rejoice in the Lord greatly that now at last you have revived your concern for me." -Philippians 3:1

We give as a joyful response to what God has done in our lives... we forget that giving is a joyful way to respond to God's grace at work in us and to join God in work around the world.



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# **Church News**



## **Scouting BSA for Girls**

On February 1, 2019, Knox's new Scouts BSA Troop 1505 for girls was officially chartered.

This opens up the BSA program to girls ages 11 through 17. Currently, it is anticipated that Troop 1505 will meet at Knox on Mondays. Troop 1505 has a new Scoutmaster and other adult leaders who have already volunteered to help.

Along with a number of girls who have already expressed interest, registration documents have been prepared and ready to submit. Cub Scout Pack 105 is also committed to accepting girls in 1st through 5th grades into Cub Scouts. Pack 105's first all-girl patrol started in August 2018. If you and your daughters are interested in joining, and have questions please contact Knox's Charter Organization Representative Neil Goltermann (ngoltermann@aol.com; 630-750-5863).



Easter Flower Sales Begin March 10 in the Commons between services. You can order until Palm Sunday, April 14.

Hydrangeas & Azaleas \$30.00 Tulips & Mums \$15.00

### Let's Get Social!







@knoxpres

@knoxnaperville



# Do you know of a Knox visitor? Invite them to our next Knowing Knox session

As members of Knox, we all play a key role in welcoming visitors and helping them learn more about Knox Presbyterian Church. Knowing Knox is a class where we can learn more about our guests and they can learn more about us. Please be invitational and welcoming and share this information with them about our upcoming sessions.



Please join us for two informal informative discussions:

- SUNDAY, MARCH 3 from 10:30-11:30AM and
- SATURDAY, MARCH 9 from 6-7:30PM (food will be served)

Those interested in joining Knox may do so the following weekend during either of our three services.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Josh Weir, Elder - Outreach & Membership at weir.josh@gmail.com



## **Session Highlights**

The February meeting of the Knox Session began with devotions reminding the Elders of the importance of servant leadership to our congregation. The Session Elders celebrated the generosity of the people of Knox as evidenced through the Face of Renewal 2019 giving campaign. Goals for pledged giving and the capital debt reduction were met.

Elders are working with the Pastors in an on-going discussion to reorganize the Knox Session which is currently composed of 22 ruling elders and 1 teaching elder (pastor) who acts as moderator. The goal is to become a more nimble and visionary governing body of the church. This discussion will continue into March.



# **Missions at Knox**



# **SAVE THE DATE: Fill-A-Truck Sunday is May 5**<sup>th</sup>

#### Feel the need to declutter?

Help us fill an entire truck with your clean clothing, children's toys, small furniture and household appliances.

#### **GO & SERVE 2019**

Go and Serve is only three months away! The excitement is in the building! The plans are rolling! The location is finalized! Be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ at Go & Serve 2019 in **Sisseton, South Dakota** 

#### **Important Go & Serve Dates:**

Online registration is now open!!! – Early registration cost - \$360 March 20 - Early registration ends – cost increases to \$410 March 21 – April 3 – Late Registration (\$410) April 24 – Confirmand (\$360) and Young Adult (\$100) Registration Deadline May 8 – **MANDATORY MEETING** for all Go & Serve participants



## Are YOU Coming?

# Come to South Dakota on Saturday June 22 thru Friday, June 28.

"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few." (Luke 10:2) Each year, the Dakota Partnership brings the message of God's love to hundreds of children in South Dakota and Montana who welcomes us as teachers and friends, willing to 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.

#### **Click Here to Register Online**

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

Registration available above or www.knoxpres.org.

Questions Contact Mike Loftus loftus51@comcast.net

## COMPANIONS, JOURNEYING TOGETHER, INC.



# Companions' Mother's Day Prison Ministry Project 2019

Communication with loved ones and other people who can be supportive is very important for people who are imprisoned. It helps keep them grounded and better prepares them for their release. It is also important for families, especially children, to hear from their loved ones. Here at Companions we facilitate that process by providing pretty cards and stationery to juveniles and women so they have pretty materials to use, especially at Mother's Day. We are writing once again to you asking for help.

#### Materials we need:

- postage stamps
- stationery, Mother's Day cards, thinking of you cards, blank note cards
- gallon Ziploc bags
- reams of colored paper on which to print insert letter
- donations to help cover delivery costs (Please make checks to Companions, Journeying Together, Inc.)

#### Materials we CANNOT use:

- white paper, notebook paper, yellowed or very old cards or stationery
- cards, envelopes or stationery that have <u>glitter</u> or anything glued, pasted or taped on it or has stickers attached
- pencils and ballpoint pens

#### Help we need:

YOU .... to donate materials listed above and help assemble packets for each prisoner. Drop off materials in the marked gold box on the mission table across from the coffee bar.

To help assemble packets, come to Knox Coffee Bar on Monday, April 1st anytime from 9 am till noon. Bring a friend and meet Jana Minor who founded this ministry. Coffee and treats too!

Questions: call, text or email Mimi Neumeister, 630-408-1553, <a href="mailto:meansmimi@aol.com">meansmimi@aol.com</a> with questions

#### What it means:

"The cards in my packet were so pretty. Thank you for remembering us"

"You can't know how much it means to know that there are people who care for me and my children."

## 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.

- 1. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Program
- 2. Presbyterian Self-Development of People Program
- 3. Presbyterian Hunger Program

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 (March 6) with the culmination on Palm Sunday (April 14). Thank you for your generous gifts.



## **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 2019 Dr. Anne T. Sherren Scholarship. **Deadline for applications is March 15, 2019**. 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.** 



## **Loaves & Fishes**

The next Hunger Sunday is **March 3**. Donations can be left on the cart in front of the Commons or in the bin next to the Mission Council table.

Thank you!

**Click Here to See Most Needed Items** 



## **Volunteer To Help At Hesed House!**

Why do you serve at Hesed house? During my 20+ years here at Knox, I've been asked this question several times. Each time I serve with others at hesed house I find new opportunities to share God's love and compassion with the residents. Most recently I served on first shift which puts you in the most contact with the women, children and men that come for a hot meal and a warm bed. Second shift is when most of the residents are sleeping and we make lunches for the next day.

And third shift is our chance to make breakfast and wake folks up with a warm smile and a warm egg casserole, coffee and sausage. But it's more than serving food and sharing a smile, for me it is hope given and hope received. It is the hope that perhaps one person's night or day or week is made just a bit more bearable in order to continue the journey!

It is the hope that we help folks break out of a system where they find themselves powerless and even stuck. That's why I like to serve, how about you? Will you join me? I hope so!! Cindy Karis

Next opportunity is March 23

Questions about Hesed House? Please contact Jill Wittwer at 630-400-8827. She can help sign up, answer questions, give detailed information about shifts, food donations, shopping, and more!



Click Here to Sign Up to Volunteer



# **Women's Ministries**



## **Women On Wednesdays**

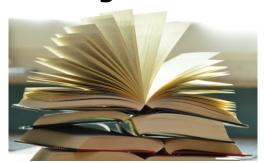
Women on Wednesdays took a break from our John study in January and February to join the church in ExploreGod. Beginning March 6 we will return to our study of the Gospel of John. We are at John 13, beginning to study the last week of Jesus' earthly life, which would be a

great time to join us! WOW meets from 9:15- 11:15 am and the morning includes coffee, fellowship, Bible Study and prayer.

We welcome women of all ages and Bible knowledge; childcare for little ones from birth through age 5 is included.

Questions? Contact Robin Kolar at skolar7227@aol.com or Margaret Lambka at mllambka2@gmail.com.

## **Evening Book Club**



We will continue to meet every second Wednesday in 2019 (taking August off). If you like to read, please feel welcome to join us in the Knox parlor, 7:30 pm, Wednesday, March 13.

This month's book is *We Are the Lucky Ones* by Georgia Hunter, a novel based on a true story. 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 or wilesjan@gmail.com.

### **All Are Welcome!**



# **Knox Presbyterian Women's Coordinating Board**

Will meet on March 4 at 9:00 am in the parlor, Everyone is invited to attend. **Contact Linda Adcock for details: lindaadcock7@hotmail.com** 



# Knox Presbyterian Women's Annual Spring Luncheon May 1, 2019!



All Knox women are invited to attend. This year our theme is **Spark Joy — Wherever, Whenever!** Our Guest Speaker is our very own Deanna Swauger who will share with us her journey to joy through photography.

You're encouraged to bring a "Birthday Bag" to be donated to Loaves and Fishes. The birthday in a bag should include paper plates, napkins, cups, candles and party favors for 6 to 8 kids.

For more information, call Sue Anne Lauzen at 630/983-9052 or email smettel@aol.com. Sign up for a table now!



# **PW Spring Flower Sale** Thursday, May 9

Forms will be available in March and due in April. Order at knoxpres.org or at the kiosk between services.



## Womens Retreat May 17-19, 2019!

Grab a pen! Get your cell phones or computers out! Run to your calendars! Presbyterian Women have a wonderful weekend planned for you. Mark your calendar and SAVE THE DATE of May 17 to May 19, 2019 for a chance to "Find Your Inner Voice".

Watch for more information in the Knox newsletters, bulletins, Facebook page, and Knox's media screens.



June 29 - PW Garden Walk



## **Tuesday Women's Bible Study**

Beginning on March 5th, this Women's Bible Study group will journey with the first disciples through the Book of Acts. We meet weekly on Tuesdays from 1:15 pm – 2:30 pm in the conference room.

### **Circles**

**Deborah Circle:** Contact Ann Beran Jones <a href="mailto:annberanjones@comcast.net">annberanjones@comcast.net</a>

Mary Martha: Tuesday, March 12th, at 9:30 am. For more info contact Susan at sbburns@comcast.net

**Rachel-Rebekah:** will meet March 12 at 9:30 am at the home of Carolyn Lorenz. Please study Lesson 7. **Please RSVP to Carolyn at 630-898-4738.** 

**Ruth:** Ruth Circle will be meeting on Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 pm in the Parlor for an evening of fellowship, study and prayer. If your evening is available, we'd love to have you join us. **If you have questions, please call Bev Mayer at 630-615-4325 or email bmayer@knoxpres.org.** 

**Not Your Mother's Circle**: Not Your Mother's Circle continues to welcome new members! Kindly RSVP to the hostess at least 48 hrs in advance.

Our next two gatherings are:

Saturday March 9th 9:30 -11 at the home of Sue Lies 630-294-3231 Saturday April 13th 9:30 -11 at the home of Lisa Parenti 630-362-6637



#### Mom to Mom

Meets March 11, 6:30 pm in the Conference Room Contact Linda Adcock - lindaadcock7@hotmail.com

**Click Here to Register Online** 



# Men's Ministries

#### The Men of Knox in Service to Others:

ManKIND Men's Ministry has assisted more than 100 people by providing (and praying over) beds and household necessities, as well as helping families move as they transition from homeless shelters to permanent housing.

**Daybreakers** - Thirty or so men meet bright and early each Thursday morning at 6 am to study God's word and to discuss and debate highly relevant topics from a man's perspective.

There are dozens of ways for men of all ages to get connected and involved with ManKIND men's ministry at Knox. Programs, service, educational and fellowship opportunities are coming throughout 2019, so now is the perfect time to plug in and be fulfilled!





# Children's & Family Ministries

## Worship, Dinner and A Movie!



Snuggle up in your jammies and join us for Saturdays @ 5 a come as you are worship service. We will sit together as a group during worship. After we will have a pizza dinner and watch "Peter Rabbit"

Saturday, March 9 - 5:00 pm



## Family Camp 2019

Knox is offering a Family Camp weekend on Sept 20 - 22 at Covenant Harbor, Lake Geneva, WI. We only have 12 rooms so register soon.

**Click Here to Register Online** 

The weekend will include many fun activities provided by the camp as well as Bible Study, games, art activities and Sunday morning worship. Downtown Lake Geneva is a 15 minute walk away along the lake shore which also offers many fun opportunities.

# 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 beds 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 or 630.615.4318



#### **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 Sunday, Apr 28 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 or jhubbard@knoxpres.org** 

# **G3-Middle School Ministries**

### Save The Dates-

Saturday, March 9 – Chaser's Laser Tag

1811 High Grove Lane, Suite 115 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Cost - \$20

### Friday, April 12 – Feed My Starving Children

555 Exchange Ct, Aurora 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Cost: Kids will help raise money to donate to FMSC



**Click Here to Register Online For All G3 Events** 



# Youth



## Spring Retreat at Stronghold!

All current high school students are invited to join us for our Spring Retreat. The retreat takes place at Stronghold, and the weekend consists of games, activities, small groups, fellowship, worship, and more. We hope to see you there!

When: March 15-17; Leave 5 PM Fri; Return 12:30-12:45PM Sun

Where: Stronghold Center

Cost: \$130 registration thru March 3; \$150 starting March

4 until midnight March 13

Registrations after March 3 are not guaranteed a spot or t-shirt.

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For more information on any of these events visit knoxblog.org

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# **Young Adult**



## Fellowship & Bible Study

Young Adult Fellowship is a small group of adults in their early twenties who meet regularly for Bible study, service and fellowship. If you would like to participate in our YA Fellowship, email or text Darin Nettleton. dnettleton@knoxpres.org (425)530-0009

#### **GO & SERVE 2019**

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# **Adult ED**

# Weekly groups at Knox unless otherwise noted.

All groups listed welcome anyone to join them.

#### Sunday

**9:00 am** – *Simon Peter*, by Adam Hamilton study and discussion led by Brooks & Jan Reid – Room 202

**7:00 pm** - *Simon Peter*, by Adam Hamilton study and discussion led Frank Mayer – Middle School room

#### **Tuesday**

**9:00 am** - Simon Peter, by Adam Hamilton study and discussion led Frank Mayer – Middle School room

**9:15 - 11:00 am** Continuing the study of Beth Moore's Believing God. Class for women is facilitated by Sue Curry in Room 203. There is no class on the second Tuesday of any month. Contact Sue with questions.

**1:15 pm** – Women's Bible Study led by Jenny Hubbard in the Conference Room. Beginning on March 5th, this Women's Bible Study group will journey with the first disciples through the Book of Acts.

#### Wednesday

9:15 - 11:15 am - Women on Wednesdays - Bible study and discussion

**7:30 pm** - Women's Bible study Led by Luis Warren & Victoria Hoggatt. in the Conference room.

**7:30 pm** - Bible study and discussion, led by Rev. Eric Heinekamp at First Presbyterian DuPage, 180 N Weber Rd, Bolingbrook.

### **Thursday**

**6:00 am** – Bible Study and discussion, led by Rev. Clinton, Daybreakers - Coffee Bar- Men's Bible study.

**9:30 - 11:00 am** - Simon Peter, by Adam Hamilton study and discussion, led by Rev. Cindy - Middle School room- Co-Ed Bible study

**7:00 pm** - All are invited to this class that meets the fourth Thursday of each month, and is centered around building Christian/Muslim relationships. Contact Bob Badertscher at 630-768-8547 if you are interested or have questions. Class meets in Room 203.



# **Ministry To Seniors**



Hall of Famers Lunch
Thursday, March 14
Please call Diane Heintz at 630-615-4324 by
Monday, March 11, for reservations.

**Historical Perspectives Presents:** 

# **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN**Statesman and Inventor

Ben Franklin has numerous inventions to his name and was pivotal in drafting both the Declaration of Independence and America's Constitution.

Plan to join us for this fun, compelling, interactive portrayal that will truly bring his character to life. You won't want to miss this program!

You are invited to join us for worship in the chapel at 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch at noon.

## **Seasoned Citizens Upcoming Events**



Chicago Acapella, Dynamic Duo's April 5, 8:00pm Wentz Hall Tickets are \$26.00



**Click Here to Register Online For Events** 

# Thank You



# "News from Kenya, the International Leadership University - Scott Moreau Pastors Education Fund"

At ILU we are privileged to train and equip our students to be leaders who will help bring spiritual, social and cultural transformation in Africa and the world. We are also privileged to work alongside partners like Knox Presbyterian Church who share in training and equipping our students. We are grateful for your partnership through your financial and prayer support to our students and to ILU.

Your generous scholarship gift this academic year is helping the six students Joyce Meka, Julia Mwangi, Peter Mbadia, 'Lazaro Ngige, George Ndeto and Sunday Akuga pursue their calling to be effective church ministe1:s in their areas of ministry.

It is my prayer that God will honor you and all who have contributed for the generous contribution to ILU's ministry of training transformational leaders for Africa and beyond. Yours in Christ,

Dr Benjamin Musyoka Vice Chancellor

## Knox Office Space gets a redesign! Take a peek







Knox staff is very grateful to all the volunteers & staff that helped make our new office space possible! We are also very grateful to the new owners of the PNC Bank Building, specifically Will Kreuzer of Tartan Realty, and their very generous donation of all the office panels and some furniture.

A special thank you to Chuck Wilde for spearheading this project and starting us off with detailed drawings and then organizing all the volunteers to both disassemble and reassemble all the panels! It was a very big undertaking and many hands made this possible! Thank you to all on the team which included; Chuck Wilde, Kedra Smith, Cheryl Skov, Carl Shaffer, Gary McGregor, Frank Mayer, Kurt Dorr, Tom Donahue and Bruce Burkelman

#### Thank you all so very much!



### TPC Is So Thankful!

Teen Parent Connection (TPC) and its young families were delighted and thankful for the 2018 year end gift from our Knox congregation. The gift consisted of 24 boxes of diapers and wipes. TPC's young moms and dads with their little ones get together at Knox on Tuesday nights for counseling and fellowship. Various groups within the congregation prepare meals for TPC on those nights.

## Thank You From DuPage Pads



When someone believes in you, everything can change.

Knox is helping to transform the lives of families and individuals who are homeless through its contribution to DuPage Pads, enabled through your generous support of Missions. DuPage Pads offers shelter, meals and comprehensive support services to the homeless in DuPage County. Last year, DuPage Pads provided 39.978 nights of emergency housing to 1,233 individuals and 127,248 meals. As a recent letter from Pads expressed, "Thank you for being part of our solution!"



Thank you to all who joined us for Chilimania on Sunday, February 10th. We had a great time sharing, food, fellowship and fun with you.

Thanks for supporting the Deacons!



# **Care Ministries**

#### **Illness/Health Concerns:**

Dede Gruenberg (sister of Lori Dickens) (hospice) Edgar Eloby (co-worker of Kevin Williams)

Steve Macaluso (neighbor of Jeff and Sara Egan)

Linda Spear (Amanda Hartley's stepmother)

Ron Champagne (Stacey Barrett's father)

Jenny Craig Rantz (Susan Tokh's niece)

Mary Jenkins

Vince Streff (father of Peg Foltz)

**Margaret Thomas** 

Pete Johanknecht (Lori Rose's father)

Lou Daddezio (Kristina Mastrino's father)

Flora Albrecht

Pat Daddezio (Kristina Matrino's mother)

Laura Varney (Doug Varney's mother)

Mark Bickler

Dolores Streff (mother of Peg Foltz)

Pat Carter

Mary Harrison (Missy Jung's mother)

**Abbey Storey** 

Linda Engelsman (sister of R J Miers)

Jim Clinton

Clarence Baker (friend of Keith Hoggatt)

Rosemary Park

Lawrence Sieczynski (brother of Tom Sieczynski)

Jean Casper

Peter Aument (neighbor of Dee Dee Porter)

Peg Little

Connie Robertson (mother of Molly Brischetto)

Michelle Ainsworth (daughter-in-law of Beverly

Ainsworth)

Justin Wegner (neighbor of Robin Kolar)

John MacDonald (Tom MacDonald's father)

Jean Banks (wife of Norah Johnson's cousin)

Ilene Reinke (Dee Dee Porter's mother) (hospice)

Bob Reinke (Dee Dee Porter's father)

Ursula Maley (co-worker of Renee Hicks)

Cole Gritton (nephew of Doug Varney)

Elizabeth Abbott (great-grand daughter of Doris Walker)

Phyllis Renallo (Curt and Jan Parry's daughter-in-law's mother)

Mary Kramer (Joan Tanck's mother) (hospice)

Paul Heller (three year old nephew of Kenny McPeek)

Mary Inman (Alden Rehab)

Mindy Scaglione (friend of Chad and Tracy Olsen)

John Reid

Jerry Lahti (Tabor Hills)

Joan Bennett (Steve Bennett's mother) (rehabilitation

facility in Barrington)

#### **Grieving:**

#### The friends and family of:

Steve Mazzarella (retired Naperville North teacher) on his death

Roland Oelrichs on his death (relative of Hal Spinka's daughter's husband)

Kenneth Dusenberry on his death (Derek Dusenberry's father)

Lucille Messerschmidt on her death (Hank Kamrath's aunt)

Alfreda (Fritz) Black on her death (Ruth Dispensa's aunt) Jeff Thomas (husband of Metea High School teacher) on his death

Sylvia Cassale on her death (grandmother of Jenna Westerlund)

Cheryl Smitter on her death (friend of John Robbins) Mark Real on his death (nephew of Pat Real)

#### **Congratulations:**

**Christie and Clark Oelrichs** on the birth of their son **Connor Evan** on November 27. Hal Spinka is the proud grandfather.

**Kaitlyn and Steve Schubert** on the birth of their son **Jacob Elliott** on December 13. Scott and Leslie Elliott are the proud grandparents.

**Brittany and Tim Nelson** on the birth of their daughter **Juliet Lyne** on January 20. Mark and Carolyne Nelson are the proud grandparents.

#### **Weekly Prayer Cards:**

Pick up a weekly prayer card in the Commons for the most current list of our members who are in the hospital, at home recovering, nursing homes and home bound.



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