

October 2019

Greetings from Pastor Dave Handley



To teach me humility, a thorn in the flesh was given me. Three times I appealed to the Lord to deliver me. But the Lord answered me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in your weakness."

--II Corinthians 12:9-10

I have gotten much from Jacob Armstrong's book *Playlist: Hearing Jesus in a Noisy World*.

When he identified his "playlist," the songs he programmed into his phone so he would hear

them over and over again, he found that he had been hard-wired with three lies! (1) I have to do everything; (2) I have to say Yes to everything; (3) I have to be the best at everything.

Here's the way it translated into my life. I was the third born in my family. My sister, Judi, was five years older; my brother, Dick, was a year and a half older. He was the superstar—valedictorian of his high school class, about three inches taller, and a star athlete. My parents were very affirming, took care to treat us equally. My brother never held his successes over me; we are best friends today. But I drew my own conclusions and held them secretly in my self-esteem. I never felt I was good enough, tall enough, smart enough, fast enough. This was my "playlist;" or, in the Apostle Paul's terminology, this was my "thorn in the flesh." It drove me, and I took it into adulthood. I worked all the harder to catch up, to be good enough; but no matter how many accomplishments I secretly kept in my imaginary trophy cabinet, it was never enough.

In college, I began to feel a need to connect personally with God. What prodded me to look *up* was that I had no idea what I was supposed to do with my life, or what to major in. There is a saying, maybe Buddhist, "When the student is ready, the teacher will come." Into my life stepped some fervent Christians who were willing to tell me their story. They clearly had something I lacked, something my sleepy little Presbyterian church in small town Indiana had not given me. It was a *personal connection* with God; and it was clear that, for them, that connection had been activated by Jesus. So I began reading the Gospels, for the first time not as just history, but as if it were addressed *personally* to me. I began to hear a new *playlist* in my inner consciousness, and it was *good news*. Really good news.

My "thorn," oddly enough, became the prod that made me reach out for Christ and discover that I was not alone in experiencing "salvation"—*My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in your weakness*. Thanks be to God!

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Church News

Pray For Your Interim Pastor Search Committee (IPSC)



The IPSC is finishing its preparation of Knox's Ministry Information Form, which will go out to all candidates who look promising. This document will be Knox's resume, commending our congregation to the best pastors nationwide who may be available.

Pray for Shannon Adcock, Deb Beaird, Rob Bednar, Steve Bennett, Norm Canfield, Robin Kolar, Jeff Mach, Brooks Reid, Barb Silverman, and Christy Stephan. They hope to conclude their search before Christmas.

Pastor Dave Handley will be with us until the longer-term interim Pastor is found.

Welcome Our New Custodians



John R. McStay

We are proud to announce the addition of John McStay to our custodial team effective immediately. John is full time, working Tuesday through Saturday on the day shift. John is a graduate of Illinois State University, served our country in the United States Air Force and worked several positions at a memory care center, senior living facility and community resident establishment. He comes to Knox with a vast amount of experience and unwavering commitment to service. John's leadership will be a valuable asset to our staff. Please welcome John to Knox.



Matthew Hubbard

It is our privilege to further announce that Matthew Hubbard has also joined the custodial team on a part-time basis. Matt will be working Sundays covering both worship services and Wednesday late afternoons and evenings to cover our Wednesday Nights children's program. He is currently a sophomore at the College of DuPage studying in general education while he decides his life's work. Matt and his family are members of Knox and he grew up within the church. He has a passion for music, specifically being a drumline section leader, active in a percussion

ensemble plus Jazz band and currently active in Knox's praise team. Please also welcome Matt to our custodial team.

Safety and Security-Lock change



The keys to the outside doors on all four sides of the building have been changed to follow new security and safety standards that Knox has adapted. Therefore, old keys will no longer open the outside doors and can be discarded.

Further, Knox is in the process of making revisions to the building as well as new safety procedures that are being incorporated to improve the safety and security at Knox. If anyone has any questions, please call me at any time. Ron Mobley (630-615-4305)



CRADLES TO CRAYONS DONATION DRIVE!

Eagle Scout Candidate Niko Black asks for your help with this worthy cause for underprivileged children! October 1st - 22nd!

Examples of Items Needed:

New or Gently Used:

Clothing (YOUTH 0-20, ADULT Small & Medium), Coats, Shoes, Books (Baby Board, Picture, Easy Readers, and Young Adult), Nursery Items, Toys (No Batteries or Stuffed Animals)

Only New:

Socks, Pajamas, Underwear, Baby Hygiene Items, School Supplies, No large items such as strollers and car seats, please!

Donation box is by our Mission table by the Coffee Bar.

Visit cradlestocrayons.org for a more complete list

(Under Take Action, go to Items We Accept)

Questions: muddyham2@gmail.com

Thank you for your support!

Niko Black



Grief & Loss Workshop

Beginning Thursday, September 19 - Thursday, November 14 for 8 weeks the Grief & Loss Workshop will take place in the Conference Room from 7:30 - 9:00 pm. The workshop will cover the stages of bereavement, as well as, other handouts and will be led by Rev. Cindy Karis and co-lead by a Stephen Minister. Please call Pastor Cindy on her direct line 630-615-4308 to register or email her at ckaris@knoxpres.org



Handbell ringers needed!

If you have ever wondered what it would be like to ring a handbell or just marveled at the beautiful music they make, you might just be the one we are looking for! ALL are welcome! Rehearsals are Thursday evening from 6:15-7:25. Contact Jan Parry jparry@knoxpres.org for more information.



Do You Like To Decorate? The Worship Council Would Like Your Help!

Happy September to our Knox Family! It's only September, but that means that the holidays are just around the corner and your Worship, Music and Arts Council will be planning decorations for Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas. This is a special time in our Knox

church season, and if you would like to be a part of our Council we would love to include you in bringing those special touches and decorations to the Commons, Sanctuary, and the rest of the church. If you are interested please reach out to the Knox Office Staff, or to the WM&A Elders Dawn Pakkebier and Chris Jachcinski at the email addresses listed below. Thank you!

Dawn Pakkebier dawn_pakkebier@ipsd.org

Chris Jachcinski, cjachcinski@gmail.com

Childcare-Available from ages 3 and under



Please remember childcare is always available for your little ones during all of our worship services.

Feel free to stop by our Little Lambs Nursery and meet our sweet and kind caregivers!

Childcare is available during holiday worship services. Email our Child Care Coordinator Ann Smith at anncorinnesmith@gmail.com if you have any questions or concerns! She is happy to help!



Cookie Walk Talk! Christmas Cookie Walk is closer than we think – Bakers Needed!

The fifth annual Knox Christmas Cookie Walk will be **Saturday, December 7th from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm** in Lehman Hall. Come find a huge assortment of fancy homemade cookies and candies, hostess trays, stocking stuffers and gift tins.

Knox parishioners and others in our community can get freshly baked cookies for their holiday gatherings right here at Knox. More bakers are needed to make our selection the best in Naperville.

If you enjoy making holiday treats for a good cause, please contact **Stephanie Hild at hildsj17@gmail.com or (cell) 630.210.6597** to sign up to bake or to answer any questions. Sign-up will also be available after Saturday and Sunday church services in the coming weeks. Bakers who submit receipts to one of the Deacons will be reimbursed for their ingredients (use our tax id), if desired. All the proceeds support the mission of Knox Presbyterian Deacons.



Session Highlights

·Elder Jeff McCombs opened the September Session meeting with a devotion focused on new beginnings and restoration. The message was clear that God is in the business of restoration. Other business included:

·Ron Mobley joined the Session meeting to report on the status of the Knox Safety and Security program. All staff members are receiving ongoing safety and security training. One measure in place is the ability to dial 799 from any phone at Knox to access the intercom system installed on every Knox phone in case of an emergency. Beyond this, a variety of measures has been put in place to improve our readiness and upgrade security.

·Steve Bennet provided an update from the Personnel Council and Interim Pastor Search Committee. Please keep these committee members in your prayers as they move forward in the search for a long-term interim pastor: Shannon Adcock, Deb Beaird, Rob Bednar, Steve Bennett, Norm Canfield, Robin Kolar, Jeff Mach, Brooks Reid, Barb Silverman, and Christy Stephan. In the mean time, Pastor Dave Handley will be with us full time until the Interim Pastor Search Committee has completed its work.

·Josh Weir, moderator of the Nominating Committee, is in the process of recruiting members to serve as elders, deacons, and committee members for the Legacy and Hospitality Committees. This process will culminate with the nomination and election of church officers and committee members at the **October 13, 11:30 am Congregational meeting**.

·Pastor Dave Handley led a discussion on the new bulletin format. Elders shared input they received following the Sunday service. Suggestions were made and will be taken under consideration by the Knox staff.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

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Missions at Knox



TEEN PARENT CONNECTION

It's TPC Time again!

The calendar has been set for another exciting year supporting our TPC families who meet at Knox each Tuesday evening @ 6:00 p.m. We are looking for groups/circles/or individuals who would be willing to provide one pre-planned, simple meal (sloppy joes, tacos, etc.) to approximately 8-10 young Moms and Dads and their toddlers. Someone from our Knox Team will be present each evening to assist with set up. Paper products are supplied so clean up is easy. In fact, you should be able to finish by 7:30 p.m.! Reimbursement for expenses is available to you through the Knox Mission Council budget.

If this sounds like something you would like to do once (or twice) during the year, please have a look at the calendar on <http://knoxpres.org/tpc/> and pick out a date that works for you.

TPC is a nonprofit DuPage County organization which provides comprehensive programs and services related to teenage pregnancy and parenting. For almost 30 years, Knox has provided the facility, childcare room and family style meals as one of our vital mission and outreach programs. We are very grateful for your continued support.

THANK YOU!

Lori Rose, TPC Knox Coordinator

Volunteer To Help At Hesed House!



Pastor Cindy answers: Why Volunteer at Hesed House? "Each time I serve with others at Hesed House I find new opportunities to share God's love and compassion with the residents."

First shift puts you in the most contact with the homeless men, women, and children who come for a hot meal and a warm bed. Second shift is when residents are sleeping and lunches are made for the next day. And third shift allows us to greet

residents and give their day a warm start with a healthy meal. Know that we can significantly help the residents break out of a hopeless situation!

We serve every 4th Saturday of the month and need volunteers to prepare food at their homes, or shop for food, or serve the residents at one of the 3 shifts. Please join us!



Date: Saturday, October 26

Time: 4 possible shifts (6-9:30pm, 9:30pm-12, 3am-7am, 5am-7am)

[Click Here to Sign Up to Volunteer](#)

Please contact Jill Wittwer at 630-400-8827 with any questions.

If you are unable to travel to Hesed House, please sign up online to prepare food at home and drop at Knox.



Loaves & Fishes

Knox supports the Loaves & Fishes Community Service Center through the Food Distribution, Emergency Assistance, and Car programs.

From January 1, 2019 to August 21, 2019, Loaves & Fishes has provided healthy nutritious food to 3,925 households.

This includes 14,360 residents of which 5,849 are children. Through the Emergency Assistance program, Loaves & Fishes has provided financial assistance to 299 families and helped 815 individuals remain housed. The car donation program has helped 22 families with a donated car to help them maintain transportation to and from work.

The next Hunger Sunday is October 6.

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](#)



50 YEARS OF CROP HUNGER WALKS 37TH ANNUAL NAPERVILLE AREA CROP HUNGER WALK BE A WALKER. BE A GIVER. BE A CHANGER THE WORLD

Join Team Knox on Sunday, October 20 at 12:30 pm as we walk the 1K or 5K walk. Start and finish are at Grace United Methodist Church at 300 E. Gartner Road. What is this Walk about? We walk to raise funds and awareness for families who are in less fortunate circumstances. Depending on where these families live food, clean drinking water, shelter, (emergency) assistance are supplied with your CROP\$\$\$. There are 2 ways you can register as a walker 1) online by going to <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/napervilleil> or 2) come to the CROP

Counter in the Commons area to pick up your envelop. The CROP Counter is 'open' on the following Sundays in between the services: September 22, 29 and October 6. Walkers and sponsors are very welcome and much needed to help Make Hunger History around the block (Loaves and Fishes and Northern Illinois Food Bank) and around the world.

This is a family friendly event with activities for kids and the Easy Meal Packing Event benefiting Loaves and Fishes. Many thanks to all the Kids-in-the-Kitchen for baking cookies for all the CROP Hunger Walkers. On each cookie will have the number 50 on it!!

Knox CROP Hunger Walk Team Captains,
Ineke Pelella and Rachel Koritala

All CROP Walkers from all participating churches are hereby invited to have a boxed lunch in honor of 50 years of CROP Hunger Walks at Grace UMC right before the Walk. Lunch will be on October 20, between 11:45 am-12:45 pm in Grace's Gathering Space. Order deadline is: OCTOBER 16TH, 2019. Here is the easy link to order your \$5 lunch. You'll need your credit card to complete the order. Only prepaid lunches will be ordered. <https://peopleofgrace.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/123/responses/new>



COMPANIONS, JOURNEYING TOGETHER, INC. CHRISTMAS CARD PROJECT 2019

**Monday, November 4
1:00 pm–4:00 pm
Coffee Bar at Knox**

Already it is time to start planning our Christmas Card Project. The Christmas cards we send mean so much to those who receive them. Incarcerated people are isolated. A simple card lets them know they are not forgotten. Every year many write to say how much it means to know that someone cared enough to write and often tell us that our card was the only Christmas card he/she received.

Will you help us with this project again this year? We would be so grateful. It is as simple as signing cards and adding a message if you wish. Messages should be uplifting, expressing compassion. Please do not be preachy. Our witness is in our caring concern.

As always, **we have a big need for postage stamps.**

Very important:

- Do not use stickers, glue, paste or tape on the cards or envelopes. This restriction includes purchased cards. Prison regulations will not allow us to use such items.
- Last year we received a few cards back that had glitter on them so please don't sign any cards that have glitter on them.
- Do not enclose anything.
- Do not seal the envelopes.
- Please send us the stamps in a separate envelope. Do not attach to the envelopes.

- Do not use cards that talk about novenas or masses. Most of those on our mailing lists will not understand what that means.
- Please use cards which represent a diverse population.
- It would be helpful if you would rubber band the cards signed by children and keep them separate.

***** Please place your donated Christmas cards and stamps in the collection box marked "Companions Journeying Together Christmas Card Project "on the mission file cabinets in the coffee bar area by November 3rd.**

**Another location is on Tuesday, November 5 – 6:00 pm-9:00 pm
Grace United Methodist Church - Fireside Room, lower level
300 E Gartner Rd
Naperville 60540**

*****Come help address cards to prisoners! Jana, the founder of this ministry, will be there to educate and inspire us!**

Contact Mimi Neumeister at meansmimi@aol.com or 630-408-1553 with questions



Mission Highlight

Knox helps to support SamaraCare (formerly Samaritan Counseling Center), an interfaith organization that offers the option of spiritually integrated counseling. SamaraCare offers spirit-led, compassionate counseling in many different areas to help people achieve their greatest potential.



SamaraCare
Counseling

Choose Stronger

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Women's Ministries



Women On Wednesdays

Women on Wednesdays has kicked off fall with a new study-"Relying on the Power of the Holy Spirit" by Elizabeth George. This is a study of the Book of Acts and we love new members! We meet from 9:15 - 11:15 and the morning includes

coffee, fellowship, Bible Study and prayer. It's not too late to join us and women of all ages and Bible knowledge are welcome. We also have childcare for little ones from birth through age 5 is available.

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



HEARTS OF HOPE for single moms

We are excited to invite you to consider being part of a new small group at Knox Church! It is a 7-week nurturing experience for single mothers entitled HEARTS OF HOPE which will meet on Wednesday nights from 6:30 - 8:30 pm Jan. 8 through Feb. 19, 2020. It includes dinner, fellowship and a Bible study entitled "Finding You Again".

We are single moms who are seeking to encourage other single women with children by sharing a meal, studying scripture and learning together. We will prepare and provide dinner for you in one of our homes.

If you are interested in becoming part of this program please feel free to contact Karen Van Iten at kdvi3@wideopenwest.com or sign up online under registrations.

Click Here to Register

Evening Book Club- All Are Welcome!



Evening Book Club will gather in the Knox Parlor on October 9, 7:30 pm to discuss the best selling memoir, Educated by Tara Westover. We meet the second Wednesday of each month. New readers are always welcome. Future book selections can be found at knoxpres.org, under groups. Please contact Janice Wiles with any questions at 630.416.9537 or wilesjan@gmail.com.

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Save the Date: Treats and Treasures November 2 & 3

Helping Hands are needed for Donations and Set Up.



Donations Needed

Baked goods: cakes, pies, candy and bread (no cookies please and also label if there are nuts or gluten free)

Jars: pickled food, jams, jellies

Handcrafted Holiday and All Occasions Greeting Cards

Handcrafted or like new ornaments

Previously treasured jewelry

Look for more details coming soon. Contact Sandi Hurford 630-355-6794 or Carolyn Lorenz 630-888-8060 with questions.



PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

PW Circles

Deborah Circle - Contact Ann Beran Jones annberanjones@comcast.net

Mary Martha Circle - Tuesday, October 8th at 9:30 a.m.

For more information contact Susan Burns at sbburns@comcast.net

Not Your Mother's Circle - October 19th - Morton Arboretum Fall Breakfast and Walk

Join us at 9:00 at the Arboretum for breakfast and then a walk through the trees - Fellowship and fall colors! Future dates will be decided then.

If interested in checking us out please contact **Lisa Dorr (630) 803-3074**

Ruth Circle - Thursday, October 17 at 7:00 pm we will gather in the Parlor. Come for a time of fellowship, study and prayer with a great group of ladies. If you have any questions, please contact Bev Mayer at 630-615-4325 or bmayer@knoxpres.org

Rachel Rebecca Circle - will meet on Tuesday, October 9, at the home of Eileen Engstrom at 9:30 AM. Please read Lesson 2 in our Study Book. If questions please call Eileen at 630-369-1774. New members and visitors are always welcome.



Mom to Mom – Fitter, Healthier, Happier!

Back by popular demand! Women's health and fitness expert, Carrie Koziol, returns to present for Mom to Mom! This time she brings fitness information and interactive learning for moms of all ages!

"Did you know that the same exercises that might be "nutritious" for a woman in her 20's might be considered "junk food" for a woman in her 50's? Learn how exercise programs need to be modified based on the phase of your life. We will discuss how changes in hormones and the pelvic floor need to lead decisions for exercise prescription for teens, pregnant women, postpartum women, and the woman in perimenopause/menopause. This is an

upbeat topic where no question is "off limits" and where you will have plenty of time to experience the exercises and modifications."

Mom to Mom meets **Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 6:30 PM** in the Conference Room. Childcare is available. RSVP online.

Contact Candice Sunblade with any questions – Candice.sunblade@gmail.com

[**Click Here to RSVP Online**](#)

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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!



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Children's & Family Ministries

Sunday School Teacher Opportunities



Are you interested in helping out with Sunday School? There is still time! We are seeking more lead teachers and assistants for the 9am Sunday school hour. The classes for the 9am Sunday School are PreK-K, 1st-3rd Grade and then 4th-Middle School. If you are interested, please contact Erin Hartman (ehartman@knoxpres.org)

Wednesday Nights has begun!!

From September to March, Knox offers a program that will enhance your child's faith and fellowship with their peers for kiddos entering Kindergarten through 8th Grade. If you have missed the first few weeks because of sports or other conflicts, do not fear, you can always come at any time of the year. **All are welcome.**



Evening includes

- *Bible Study
- *Music opportunities
- *Recreation and Games
- *Woodworking
- *Dinner
- *Mission work
- *Special worship services for the whole family
- *New this year for G3 (6th – 8th) - Ukulele Lessons

[Click Here to Register For Wednesday Nights](#)



Trunk or Treat - Oct 19

Trunks needed – If you would like to pass out candy from your decorated car trunk then contact Ann Smith at anncorinnesmith@gmail.com

CANDY NEEDED– please drop off donations in the witch's mouth located in the Commons beginning October 7.

Before Trunk or Treat, come to Saturdays @5

worship! We always invite people to come as they are so we would love to have you join us in your costumes.

Kids in the Kitchen – Mission Opportunity



Join us around the table! The kids of Knox, 6 & up, will participate in various mission activities throughout the year to help feed our congregation and the community around them. This mission opportunity began last spring where we made meals for Hessed House and Go & Serve and prepared snack bags for the kids in Sisseton, SD.

Next up –

[Click Here to Register](#)

Thursday, October 17

5:30 – 7:00 pm

Making cookies for the 50th year of CROP Walk

CROP WALK Family Lunch and Activities



Sunday, Oct 20 – 11:30 am Lunch, 12:30 pm Walk

This year CROP Walk is celebrating 50 years and Knox Children and Family Ministries (CFM) invites you to have a pizza lunch with us before we all head over for the walk. During lunch we will have activities for the kids to raise awareness about fighting hunger.

For each child/youth registered to walk with their family, Knox CFM will donate \$25 to CROP Walk. To register for the walk go to <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/napervilleil> and be sure to join the team for Knox Presbyterian Church.

[Click Here to Register For Crop Walk](#)

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G3-Middle School Ministries

Confirmation



Pullman Sunday on the 6th

Meet at Knox at 9:30 am as we travel to Pullman Presbyterian to worship with our brothers and sisters on the south side of Chicago.

Main Event on the 19th from 6-9 pm

Meet at Main Event for an evening of laser tag, bowling, and food!

[Click Here to Register for Main Event](#)

G3 – Middle School Fellowship 2019/2020 Save the Date

Friday, October 11 – Goosechase Scavenger Hunt

At Westfield Mall, 195 Fox Valley Center Dr, Aurora

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Drop off and Pick up at the Mall – Kids should bring money for dinner. We will eat before we break up in teams and look for clues around the mall.

Friday, November 8 – Bowlero

1515 Aurora Ave. Naperville

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday, December 13 - Christmas Party

Silly Sock Exchange

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Please bring a pair of silly socks for the grab bag

Saturday, January 11 – Worship, Games & Movie

5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Friday, February 7– Saturday, February 8 – Lock-In

8:30 pm – 7:00 am

Please bring a snack to share

Friday, March 20 – Chaser's Laser Tag

1811 High Grove Ln. Ste. 115, Naperville

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm - Cost - \$20



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Youth



High School Ministries

High School Late Night

Saturday, October 26 from 6:00 pm to Midnight.

Join us for a time of food, fun, and fellowship as we run amok in the church after hours!

[Click Here to Register Online](#)

Save The Dates

November 15 - November 17

Winter Retreat at Camp Wonderland - \$110 Early Registration before 11/3
\$125 Full Price through 11/10

Wednesday, December 11

6pm - 8pm

White Elephant Christmas Party - bring a wrapped gift valued at \$10 or less

December 29 - January 4

Young Adult Mission Trip to Puerto Rico

[For More Info Click Here to 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**

For More Info Click Here to Visit knoxblog.org

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Adult Ed

Weekly Groups Studying A New Playlist - Open To All

Sunday

Led by Brooks Reid – 9:00 am, Room 202 - Co-Ed Bible study

Led by Frank Mayer – 7:00 pm, Conference room – Co-Ed Bible study

Led by Darin Nettleton – 5:00 pm, Conference room - Co-Ed Bible study

Tuesday

Led by Frank Mayer – 9:00 am, Middle School room – Men's Bible study

Led by Jenny Hubbard - 1:15 pm, Deb's office- Women's Bible study

Wednesday

Led by Luise Warren & Arlene Beslic - 7:30 pm, Conference room - Co-Ed Bible study

Led by Rev. Eric Heinekamp(First Pres. Church of Dupage) – 7:30 pm – Co-Ed Bible study

Thursday

Led by Rev. Cindy - 9:30 – 11:00 am, Middle School room- Co-Ed Bible study

Led by Darin Nettleton - 7:00 pm – Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the Month – Young Adult Bible study

Many more groups and activities will be added frequently and are on the website.

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Jim Clinton's Bible Study – Sundays @ 10:30 am in room 202

The first Sunday in October we will have the final class in our series on modern Church history. Between then and the first of the year will be sampling lectures from the video series "Warriors, Queens, and Intellectuals: 36 Great Women before 1400." The lecturer will be professor Joyce E. Salisbury from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, The subjects will be women who have influenced the history and thought of the Christian Church, some favorably, some not so favorably.

October

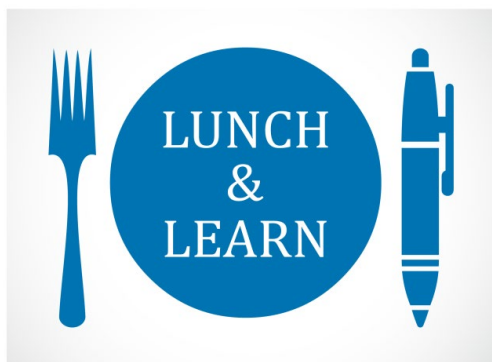
- 10/6/2019 The Challenge of 21st Century Christianity
- 10/13/2019 Herodias - John the Baptist beheaded
- 10/20/2019 Poppaea - Nero's wife
- 10/27/2019 Perpetua - Christian Martyr

November

- 11/3/2019 Helena - Constantine's mother
- 11/10/2019 Pulcheria - Champion of the Virgin Mary
- 11/17/2019 Radegund - Founds a convent
- 11/24/2019 Anna - Brings Christianity to Russia

December

- 12/1/2019 Eleanor of Aquitaine - Crusades
- 12/8/2019 Heloise - and Abelard
- 12/15/2019 Hildegard - Abbess, composer, theologian, pharmacist, etc.
- 12/22/2019 Traditional Christmas class
- 12/29/2019 Joan of Arc



"All's Well that Ends Well"

How do you hope to finish your life? To leave the earth? Have you decided what kind of medical care you want to receive or not receive? Have you thought through your financial planning? Long-term healthcare options? Your memorial service?

Sunday, October 20 – Professionals in pastoral care and funeral home service.

Sunday, October 27 - Professionals in medicine, estate law, and long-term health insurance.

If you would like to order lunch at \$5 per person, please sign up online or in the Commons by the Wednesday preceding each event. Otherwise, you are welcome to attend at no charge. Lunch will be served at 11:45 a.m., followed by the speakers at noon. Fellowship Hall.

For more information: Contact Sue Pollard (swpollard1973@gmail.com) or Julie McLean (mcleanqs1@gmail.com)

[**Click Here to Register Online**](#)

Curious Christians



October 5

2nd Presbyterian Church & The Glessner House

The Curious Christians are planning for another Chicago outing! We will visit the Glessner House, stroll along Prairie Avenue with our guide, and view the Tiffany stained glass windows of Second Presbyterian Church which is located on South Michigan Avenue. The Chicago Tribune named Glessner House one of the top twenty

architectural gems in Chicago. Built in the 1880's, the 17,000 square foot residence was a radical departure from the fussy Victorian taste of the time. It is located on Prairie Avenue, once home to Marshall Field, George Pullman, and other business and social leaders of the 19th century.

Departure from Knox: 8:30 a.m.

Return: 4:00 p.m.

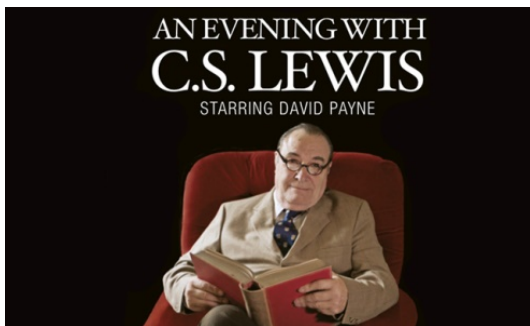
Lunch: Kroll's South Loop (burgers, salads, sandwiches)

Price: \$42. This includes guided tours of Glessner, Prairie Avenue, and Second Presbyterian, and transportation by van from Knox. It does not include the cost of lunch.

NOTE: Glessner House is not handicapped accessible. There are 15 stairs to enter and a stairway to the second floor. We will also walk along Prairie Avenue. Kroll's Restaurant and Second Pres are within a block or two.

For more information: Contact Sue Pollard (swpollard1973@gmail.com) or Julie McLean (mcleanqs1@gmail.com)

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Save the Date
November 3, 3:00 pm
An evening with C.S. Lewis

An evening in the home of this famous author is recreated as he recalls the people and events which shaped his life. How he came to embrace Christianity is a prominent part of this inspiring one-man play. Water Tower Place Theatre, 175 E. Chestnut, in Chicago.

\$35 per ticket.

Transportation not provided.

Sign up online or in the Commons.

For more information: Julie McLean (mcleanqs1@gmail.com)

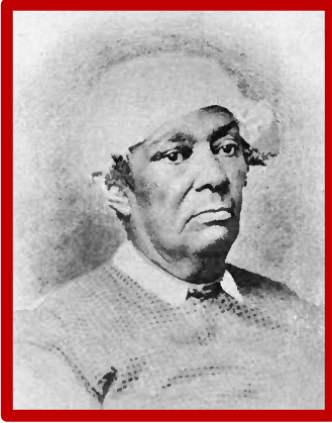
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Ministry To Seniors

"Who was Betsey Stockton?"

c.1798-1865



October 10, 11:30 am

Cost: \$8.00

Betsey Stockton was born into slavery and emerged as a religious and academic pioneer. As the first single woman missionary from North America, she was instrumental in bringing formal education to indigenous Hawaiians and Native Americans and in establishing numerous schools.

Come and listen to Knox Member, June Chapek, tell us how her own family was involved in the founding of Princeton University, the Revolutionary War and in sending one of the first missionaries to the Hawaiian Island.

You are invited to join us for worship in the chapel at 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch at noon. Please call Diane Heintz at **630/615-4324** by **Monday, October 7**, for reservations.



Seasoned Citizens

Join us for 20th Anniversary "Singing For Seniors"

Saturday, October 19 at 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Community Christian Church (Naperville Yellow Box Church)

Free Performance

Sign Up Sundays at Knox, Sept. 29 and Oct. 6 or Online

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Thank You



Thank you GOD for all YOU do for us each and every day.
Thank you for YOUR faithfulness in this uncertain world.

YOU are our Rock and Redeemer.

We are so grateful that YOU lead us, love us, and lift us up.

**GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD;
HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER.**

1 CHRONICLES 16:34

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Care Ministries

Congratulations:

Grieving:

The friends and family of:

Rick Wills on his death

Joe Becia on his death (formerly with Boy Scout Troop 505)

Lori Wolters on her death (mother of Emily Shemon)

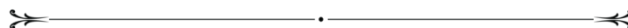
Jim Good on his death (uncle of Karen Elmgren)

Jane Meurer on her death (sister of Frank Mayer)

Phil Houston on his death

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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