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A NOTE FROM PASTOR PAT



Our new world as a congregation includes both a tremendous amount of virtual experience for all ages and the beginnings of in-person interactions for those who are ready for that. Personally, almost all my interactions are virtual which is both strange and wonderful.

It's strange because I'm an in-person, face-to-face oriented guy. Being with people is in my blood. Some of that has begun once again where it is responsible and comfortable for me and others. What remains virtual is also wonderful. Some groups I hang out with connected to Knox regularly include people who live across the U.S. Plenty of people are still hesitant to meet in-person even here locally, and our virtual life insures that they can still be connected in deeply meaningful ways. This new world is at its best when it offers many options to connect, ways that are a good fit for everyone.



WAYS TO CONNECT

[Pray For Others](#)

[K-5 Grade Kids Activities](#)

Just in the last few weeks, I've been part of

[Kids Bible Study](#)

[Family Bible Study](#)

[Youth Activities](#)

[Adult Bible Study Groups](#)



FALL SERMON SERIES

Starts September 13

Church Wide Study

Find a group or lead a group

Click [here](#) for more info



Vespers@5 pm

Saturday Outdoor Service

Click on the graphics to learn more



WORSHIP

Sunday 9 AM Online

Click on the graphics to learn more

our in-person Vespers@5:00 on Saturdays short, prayer and communion-oriented worship experiences. In a recent national virtual meeting, I met a ministry leader for business people in Chicagoland. He and I got further acquainted in an hour virtual conversation and we will soon get together properly distanced for a conversation in a coffee shop near you. I met a few people for lunch recently to get to know them better. At the same time, I am fully invested in so many aspects of our ministry that are still completely virtual. What a strange new world this is!

Let me encourage all of us at Knox to navigate these new world connecting points wisely. Some of us have no business interacting with others face-to-face based on our own or their health issues. We shouldn't feel compelled into something that puts anyone at risk. At the same time, some of us are able to be at peace with in-person connections within all community guidelines: small groups, time with neighbors, care visits for those in need. All of us can still enter into so much of Knox's ministry virtually and by phone and through email and through notes and social media. We can truly celebrate that connections are real and on-going in all ways.

Our Fall all-congregation study, The Jesus Way, is a perfect example of the opportunity to get connected with God and with each other through whatever means seems best for you. No one need be left out, no matter our age or life situation. Virtual groups, backyard gatherings, meeting indoors or outdoors at Knox or elsewhere (following all distance protocols), conference calls, Facebook live, and all other means are at our disposal for a meaningful investment in this special series of sermons and discussion groups. I hope every one of us will participate in a way that works for you. Be creative. Be responsible. Be involved.

It is a new world with all levels of connections. Let's embrace all the ways that are truly open before us for God's best. What an amazing new world!



NEED ASSISTANCE
Knox can help!
[CONGREGATIONAL CARE](#)



KNOX
SMALL GROUP GATHERINGS
Dates, time and location need to
be scheduled with [Ron Mobley](#).

(20 or fewer people inside and
50 or fewer people outside.
Registration is required.)



Join Pat each Wednesday for a quick look into Scripture that will
also be the text for our upcoming Sunday worship.

Click the play button to view the meditation.

HIGHLIGHTS FOR THIS MONTH

Knox Is Celebrating 60 Years!
Tune In September 6 @ 9 AM For A Special Service!
Click on the play button for a sneak peak!



Knox will be celebrating 60 years on September 6th

We would love to involve the kids and youth in our service. We would love for the kids to color the page provided and include something they love about Knox or draw a picture inside the heart. You can then either drop them off at Knox or simply take a picture of it and email [Erin Hartman](#). They will be featured in the service on the 6th.

Please submit your picture no later than September 3rd. Thank you for your help in continuing to involve the children in our services!

[COLORING PAGE](#)



Birth Announcements

Aubrey Jude Banks, born December 23 to Justin and Melissa Banks

Benjamin Russell McElhinney, born August 9 to Shawn McElhinney and Colleen McMonee (grandparents are Rick and Pat Warren)

Knox Families "Chalk the Walk"- On Saturday, August 29th we will be having an event for families called "Chalk the Walk" at Knox. We will be gathering at 10 am with our masks on, and social distancing, to decorate the sidewalks and the parking lots at Knox with art and encouraging messages. You are welcome to bring your own chalk or I will have some packaged chalk available for you to take and use. We will also be doing this on September 5th



[Sign Up Here](#)

and September 12th weather permitting.



The Evening Book Club discussion for September 10 will be covering two books, of similar theme - *The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes and *The Bookwoman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson. You may read either one, or both.

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The Grief & Loss Workshop will take place in the Parlor from 7:30 - 9:00 pm. Beginning Thursday, September 17 - Thursday, November 12 for 8 weeks. The workshop will cover the stages of bereavement, as well as, other handouts and will be led by Rev. Cindy Karis. Please call Pastor Cindy on her direct line 630-615-4308 to register or email her at ckaris@knoxpres.org.



Women on Wednesday will start up again on Wednesday, Sept 16 with the all church study "The Jesus Way". We will meet on Zoom beginning at 9:15 for a gathering and visiting time and begin our study at 9:30 with prayer. WOW welcomes women of all ages and Bible knowledge so if this time frame works for you - join us! There is no cost to sign up and please watch the Knox website for the Zoom link or email Robin Kolar at skolar7227@aol.com or Margaret Lambka at mlambka2@gmail.com.

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The annual Naperville Area CROP Hunger Walk will go Virtual this year. Although we will not be able to walk together with other churches, we are making plans for Team Knox members to walk a mini CROP Hunger Walk. People interested in joining Team Knox for the CROP Hunger Walk are hereby invited to go to: [CROP Hunger Walk](#)

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Knox Kids Bible Study will start back up in September through zoom initially. It will take place on Wednesday nights at 5pm and will be following the Fall Sermon Series, "The Jesus Way." You can email Erin at ehartman@knoxpres.org or Sign up [here](#).

Young Family Bible Study

We are encouraging parents to join a Fall Sermon Series study group. You can sign up online and there is an option for a [Young Families Study group](#). We would love for this study to reach all of our generations at Knox.



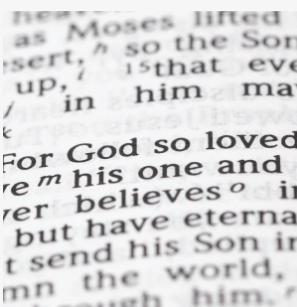
G3 Wednesday Nights will start back up remotely. Ms. Jenna is willing to change to an alternate day if that works better for our families. Please reach out to Erin if your middle schooler would be interested in participating at ehartman@knoxpres.org.



Kids in the Kitchen

Calling for your favorite family recipes! Have you enjoyed time together in the kitchen as a family? Do you have some tried and true family recipes? We would love to share them with each other. Please send your recipes to Erin Hartman at ehartman@knoxpres.org.

I will post them on Thursdays in the [Knox Kids Facebook group](#). We will also be posting them on the [Sunday School activities](#) website each week.



Scripture Readers For Worship

Have you enjoyed seeing families read scripture during our service?

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



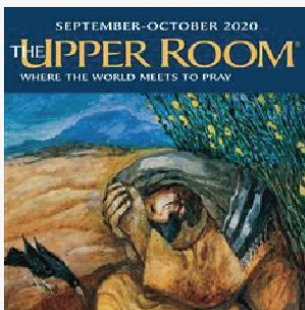
Parking Lot Youth Group is back on! Every Wednesday we will gather in the Basswood parking lot from 6:30-7:30 pm. Please bring a mask and a chair. We will not be serving dinner this semester, so don't come hungry. If the weather is bad, we will gather in the portico or, if the weather is really bad, we will gather inside the church (socially distanced, of course).

Sunday Bible study will start up mid September - keep your eye on the youth blog and Remind text messages for specifics. We will meet from 7 to 8pm on Sunday evenings.



Knox air purification systems

New air purifiers have successfully been installed in all of Knox's air ventilation systems. The purifiers reduce air born mold, bacteria and viruses in the air. This provides another form of safety and health protection for our congregation and visitors.



Upper Rooms Are Here

Look in the box outside the front door at Knox for the September/October issue of the Upper Room devotional.



Rachel Rebecca Circle will meet at 9:30 am on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 with a Zoom Meeting. Watch for more information from Kathi.

Ruth Circle will begin meeting on Thursday, September 17 at 7:00 pm. This evening group studies from The Upper Room devotional booklet and shares a time of prayer and fellowship. We plan to meet either outside, at Knox or via Zoom. Questions? contact Bev Mayer at 630-202-5097 or bmayer@knoxpres.org.

Not Your Mother's Circle has tried their best to keep in touch and meet with social distancing outside whenever possible. We welcome you to join us for our next get-togethers. Contact Lisa Dorr (dorrll@yahoo.com) for information.

September 19 - Stephanie Hild will host
October 10 - Kim Wigger will host.



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191 backpacks were delivered to Sisseton!
Dakota Partnership appreciates all you do!

Now when Jesus saw the crowds,
He went up on a mountainside and sat down.
His disciples came to Him, and He began to teach them...

When Jesus had finished saying these things,
the crowds were amazed at His teaching,
because He taught as one who had authority,
and not as their teachers of the law.

Matthew 5:1-2, 7:28-29



MUSIC TO INSPIRE YOUR SOUL

[No Doubt About It](#) by We The Kingdom

[Canyons](#) by Cory Asbury

[Promise Keeper](#) by Hope Darst

[Power](#) by Chris Tomlin feat. Bear Rinehart of
NEEDTOBREATHE



Be Still
and know that
I AM GOD
Psalm 46:10

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