

KNOX eNews: LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCH

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WORSHIP AND ARTS MINISTRY

COME AND WORSHIP - Knox is open for in church worship. We are limited to 50 people in the church so pre-registering is necessary to ensure that the proper guidelines are followed. You can register for up to 2 Sunday's a month currently. Please register at worship@kucparksville.ca

Please include the number of persons in your bubble and your phone number. This is required so that the seating can be arranged accordingly, and the safe distancing guidelines are followed and that we have your contact details as required. **Registration is open until 5:00 pm the Friday prior.** Should you email after the deadline you may have to be put on a waitlist if the 50 allowed attendees have been reached.

Please email: **Phyllis @ worship@kucparksville.ca** if you have any questions or concerns. Registration is always open, and it is first come first served.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU on Sunday, October 11th

10 AM: In-church worship. Up to 35 pre-registered participants. E-mail worship@kucparksville.ca by Friday 5 PM. If the weather cooperates, and you would like to mingle a little after the service, please bring a chair and congregate (safely) 6 feet apart, outside!

11:30 AM: Family 'messy' church. Please pre-register, as above. Tables can be set up to accommodate your family safely. Activity will be offered to engage the children, and the 'older' children among us, (who will be safely spaced from 'family' groupings).

Request: The Worship and Arts team and the Creative Planning team, are regularly planning, adapting, and exploring new ideas for worship, especially in this unpredictable time. If you would enjoy being part of a creative process, sharing ideas and possibilities for worship services, and would welcome the opportunity to meet with a small group, we are looking for new members to join our team. Please contact Shirlene D.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & OUTREACH MINISTRY

MISSION & SERVICE – Thanksgiving is around the corner and this year more than ever giving to people in need through Mission & Service is critical. In Canada right now, COVID-19 is the final straw for families who were already pushed to the financial edge before the virus struck. By the end of the year, **12,000 people per day** living around the world could die from hunger because of the pandemic. Together, as a United Church, we can make a difference. When we stand together, we can have an impact that we never could on our own. While some of our members are struggling financially some are not and these may be seeking ways to share. [Watch our short, inspiring Thanksgiving video](#) and read our [Thanksgiving Minute for Mission](#)

THANKSGIVING DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK – Knox has always collected food for the Food Bank on Thanksgiving Sunday, but we are unable to do that this year so the SJ&O Team would like to encourage you to donate food for the Salvation Army Food Bank at your local supermarket. When shopping, please buy a few extra items for the Food Bank and drop them in the large bins that have been placed at the exits for this express purpose. Another way to donate is by writing a cheque to the SALVATION ARMY FOOD BANK and mailing it to 886 Wembley Road, Parksville, BC, V9P 2E6. Every little bit helps. Thanks, from your SJ&O Team.

GREEN TEAM - In the Oceanside area, household glass continues to be an issue in terms of recycling. Following the recent meeting of the Knox Green team, it was decided to offer a collection service for anyone wishing to bring glass items to the church. These could be left inside the fenced-off area on the edge of the back lawn for pickup and then taken to the recycling depot in Nanaimo once there is a sufficient quantity to make the trip worthwhile. Labels do not need to be removed. Any questions please contact Don Emerson. **GO GREEN!**

SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR! We hope you will participate in a special Social Justice and Outreach event for **NEW SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR!** The Ascension Church has kindly offered their seven showers for the homeless to use. We hope to help by collecting **NEW SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR FOR MEN AND WOMEN** at a **DRIVE-THROUGH** in front of Knox on October 20 and 27 between 10:00 am and noon. We will be there to cheer you on, and recipients will happily have **CLEAN SOCKS & UNDERWEAR** to wear following their shower. Your SJ&O Team

FUN, FAMILY, FRIENDS & FOOD MINISTRY

THE GATHERING PLACE – The weather may quickly get too chilly or rainy to make meeting in the park possible. By changing our location for gathering to the church we have the option of moving indoors if the weather is inclement. Bring your chair, to continue being outdoors if possible as that is always our best option for socializing. Our meeting time will change to 9:00 - 10:30 am on Tuesday starting OCTOBER 13th. If we must move indoors certain guidelines must be followed:

1. MUST WEAR A MASK
2. MUST SANITIZE your hands before signing in
3. MUST always SOCIAL DISTANCE
4. MUST PRE-REGISTER if you plan to attend

Please pre-register with Gayle gayleghaughn@gmail.com before attending. Look forward to continuing our socializing in just a little different way!

KNOX WALKING CLUB – Interested in walking? We're starting a group just for you!

Where? Rath Trevor Park, Parking Lot #1 (see photo)

When? Thursday, October 15, 10:00 am

Who? Everyone – short or long-distance walkers welcome

Why? A chance to connect, exercise, go for coffee after, etc.

For more info: Jane W. 250.228.5368 or Shirlene D. 250.586.9687



OMG, IT'S GMO!

YES! WE'RE BACK FOR ANOTHER YEAR!

WHO? GRUMPY MEN ONLY (any men from KNOX)

WHY? No real purpose! We're just a group of curmudgeons who enjoy a good laugh, a few insults and great conversation.

WHEN? The 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm

WHERE? Knox United Church, room 6

MEMBERSHIP? Wear a mask and bring your own coffee.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, October 13

MORE INFORMATION: Contact Shane at grumpymenonly@gmail.com

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE MINISTRY

BARB MYERS in Concert Sunday, October 18, 2 pm at Knox
Enjoy this classically trained pianist & singer performing everything from jazz to Broadway and beyond.

Limited seating. Reserve your spot by emailing facility@kucparksville.ca
Admission by donation – all funds go to support Knox United Church.
Doors open at 1:30 pm ALL COVID-19 PROTOCOLS WILL APPLY

GROUNDZERO & KNOX PRESENTS...

R & B Kingpins (featuring Hank Lionhart of Uncle Wiggly's) and Jack Lavin of the Powder Blues Band

Saturday, Oct 10, 7:30 pm

TICKETS \$30 through [the GroundZero Website](#)

The R&B Kingpins are a hard-hitting fun-loving band of veteran musicians and, like the name says, they play classic R&B from the '50s and '60s (plus a few original songs penned within the idiom)



VALDY TWO SHOWS

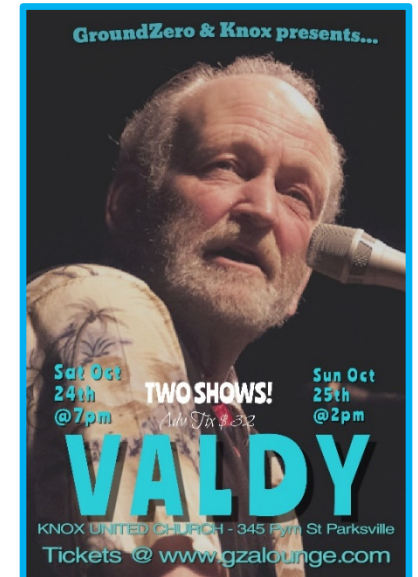
Saturday, October 24th, 7 pm &

Sunday, October 25th at 2 pm

TICKETS \$32 through [the GroundZero Website](#)

THE LEGEND RETURNS TO PARKSVILLE...

Valdy is an icon in Canadian Folk Music. He's produced 15 albums, 22 singles and 4 gold records. He's won 2 Juno Awards, with another 7 nominations. He's received the Order of Canada.



STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE MINISTRY

AN EVENING OF HANK WILLIAMS SONGS

Featuring Sandy Bone with Nathan Tinkham

Friday, November 13th, 7 pm

Hank Williams Tribute with Sandy Bone: Hank Williams became one of America's first country music superstars with songs like Cold Cold Heart, Your Cheatin' Heart, Hey Good Lookin and I'll Never Get Out of This World Alive.

In 1953 Hank died of a heart attack at the age of 29 in the backseat of his Cadillac. Sandy Bone does not have a Cadillac, but he does have a way with the songs of Hank Williams. He plays the guitar like Hank, he is tall like Hank, and he has a bad back like Hank. **TICKETS \$25** [click here](#)



HEALING AND PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

PASTORAL CARE COMMUNICATION NETWORK - It looks as though the COVID situation will be longer than any of us thought. Pastoral Care has taken on the responsibility of a communication network that will help us to stay connected during this time. If you are a person who would like to receive an occasional phone call or e-mail, we would be happy to put you in touch with another member of the congregation. If you are someone who would enjoy making the phone calls and staying connected with a few people, your help would be appreciated. If you are interested, please call Linda Nelson at 250-738-1051, or email lindanelson@hotmail.com

HEALING MINISTRY- The Healing ministry is **not** taking appointments until further notice. This decision was made to protect our clients and practitioners at this uncertain time. However, if anyone requires a healing treatment during the shut-down they can call Bruce at 250.248.3119 and he will be willing to provide you with a modified distance prayerful healing session.

MINISTRY & PERSONNEL MINISTRY

Rev. Jennifer Ferguson: Monday-Friday, days off are Saturday & Sunday. (If you would like to meet with her for pastoral care via phone call or FaceTime, please call her to make an appointment at **250.927.6061** or email minister@kucparksville.ca

Knox United Church Staff Email Addresses Follow this link to the Knox Website: www.kucparksville.ca/pages/contact-us

Knox United Church Council 2018-19 For a list of Council Members and Team Leaders, <https://www.kucparksville.ca/about/our-leadership--13>

COMMUNICATIONS

NOTE: The November issue will start to arrive in mailboxes on October 1st.



Broadview's Live National Online Reading Club. Mark your calendars for our next event on Monday, October 5th at 7:00 EDT. We hope to see you there! Have your questions ready.

Each month editor Jocelyn Bell speaks with writers from the most recent issue of Broadview, live, via Zoom. Every online reading club is an exciting hour of interaction between our readers and our writers. Each writer speaks for 5-10 minutes, then you have a chance to ask them questions directly. Don't miss out on this exciting hour where we go behind the scenes of the stories.

Information about the live reading club is available via our e-newsletter only – [click here](#) to sign up **today**.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION MINISTRY

SPIRITUAL FORMATION SURVEY The Spiritual Formation Team's membership survey is now available for completion. We appreciate all those who have completed the survey so far. If you have not completed the survey, could you please complete it? It takes about 10 minutes. Your input is vitally needed so that we can make the best decisions of what activities to offer members to aid them and their families in their spiritual journey. Here is the link to the survey [click here](#)

BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM – Wednesdays 10:30-12. Email Karen Freeman at facility@kucparksville.ca for a zoom invite. Zoom meeting ID and Password will be emailed in the body of the eNews email itself.

COUNCIL NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2020 – At our regular meeting on Sept 15, we decided to:

1. Reopen the Sanctuary for worship services within reopening guidelines.
2. Dissolve the Crisis Team. Don extended heartfelt thanks to the Team: Jennifer Ferguson, Jeannette Mossing, Jan Jamieson, Don Emerson, Megan Hurd, and Shane Conn. Council now takes on the responsibility of coordinating our response to COVID.
3. Adopt a consensus agenda for Council meetings. This means that routine items will be bundled together to save time at the beginning of the meetings.

We discussed the following:

On behalf of Council and the congregation, Don expressed gratitude for the past work of the retiring Council members, Gerry Garnett, Linda Nelson, Ken Fanning, Jan du Monde, Maureen Loudon, Jan Lucas, and Marilou Paterson. He welcomed the new members. See [Our Knox Leadership](#)

1. Stephen Torrence introduced the Spiritual Formation Committee Survey which of course, you have all filled out by now.
2. Timelines for submitting reports for Council meetings.
3. Notice of Council Retreat planned in November.

OUR KNOX FAMILY

SINGLE BAY GARAGE RENTAL – We are looking for a garage to rent on a yearly basis for our vehicle. We will be wintering in Parksville. Rent could be made as a donation to Knox United Church. Please contact Rich at terrich@shaw.ca or 403.863.4297 (Sept 10, 2020)

WANTED

THE LIGHTER SIDE – Submitted by Gordon G.

**CONFUSE YOUR
DOCTOR BY
PUTTING ON
RUBBER GLOVES
THE SAME TIME HE
DOES!**

I ASKED MY GRANDPA, "AFTER 65 YEARS, YOU STILL CALL GRANDMA DARLING, BEAUTIFUL, AND HONEY. WHAT'S THE SECRET?" HE SAID, "I FORGOT HER NAME 5 YEARS AGO AND I'M SCARED TO ASK HER."



Told my wife
I wanted to be
cremated. She
made an
appointment for
Tuesday.

The Humor League



I went to the grocery store and they now have a parking spot for Fat guys that like to grill. That's so considerate.

we need more of those