

KNOX eNews: LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCH

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August 16, 2020 edition

WORSHIP AND ARTS MINISTRY

THE NO-FRILLS SERVICE – Join the Reverend Dr. Ross A. Lockhart, for the next Sunday, **August 16**, ‘the no-frills’ service! Ross has kindly submitted a “made for Knox” reflection from his home base. Please listen. It’s as if he’s sitting right there with you, and of course, as usual, has a valuable and comforting message for us. **Please note, there will not be an accompanying order of worship emailed for Sunday, August 16th.**

WELCOME GUEST MUSICIAN BARB MYERS -We welcome Barb Myers as our guest musician on August 23 and 30th. Barb and her husband Terry retired to Vancouver and Fanny Bay six years ago after many years in Alberta where Barb offered her wonderful playing and singing for conference and various congregations as well as completing her studies as a Diaconal Minister at St. Stephen’s College. We wish you could meet her in person but for now, you can enjoy her gift of music, joy, and faith virtually.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & OUTREACH MINISTRY

GREEN TEAM CHALLENGE – Have shorter showers and don’t leave the tap running while you brush your teeth. You can always use a glass of water.

FUN, FAMILY, FRIENDS & FOOD MINISTRY

THE GATHERING PLACE – During the summer, the Gathering Place will meet Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Community Park near the parking area close to the labyrinth. Bring your chair and coffee and join us for a social time. If it’s raining, we’ll meet on Zoom at 10:00 a.m. See you there!

SACRED SPACES MINISTRY

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR TAKING CARE OF OUR KNOX GROUNDS: Watering the flower beds: Ted G, Bill H and Allen B. Weeding etc.: Jan L, Linda N, Nona K, Myrt O, and Marlene C. We appreciate your dedication to Knox. Margaret Warburton, Co-lead, Sacred Spaces.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE MINISTRY

FALL FAIR TEAM, ITEMS FOR SALE – Please note the attachment that was emailed with this week’s eNews which contains items for sale that were donated to Knox to be sold at our Fall Fair. Funds from the on-line sale will be used to support the work of the church. Thank you for your support!

KNOX SUMMER SERIES – SATURDAY NIGHTS ARE LIVE! - Knox is extremely excited to announce our return to hosting small concerts over the summer months. We have partnered with Ground Zero Productions to present a series of concerts (all Knox and BC Provincial Guidelines for COVID-19 safety measures will be followed) over the next 3 months. We will have a variety of music available and are pleased to be able to present live, local, and BC-based musicians doing what they love to do again.

GROUNDZERO & KNOX PRESENTS...

UPCOMING

CONCERTS

BRANDON ISAAK

TWO SHOWS

Saturday, Aug 22 at 5 pm and 7:30 pm

Yukon bluesman Brandon Isaak in concert. Fans of Vancouver's Twisters already know of Brandon Isaak's powerful guitar and vocal contributions to their hard-swingin' definition of blues.

He now has a hot new group called Brandon Isaak & his Saints of Swing. Hear him in live at Knox on August 22.

TICKETS \$30 available through [the GroundZero website](http://theGroundZero.com)

KNOX/GROUNDZERO PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS...

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YUKON BLUES AWARD WINNER

BRANDON ISAAK

KNOX UNITED CHURCH

345 PYM ST, PARKSVILLE

TICKETS AVAILABLE @
WWW.GZALOUNGE.COM **\$30**

5:00 &
7:30 PM

OR PHONE 250.927.4595

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE MINISTRY

DAVID ESSIG (with GERRY BARNUM)

TWO SHOWS Saturday, September 12th at 5 pm and 7:30 pm

I can still recall the look of surprise on the face of the Canada Immigration officer at the Queenstown-Lewiston Bridge at Niagara Falls when I told him I was planning to drive to Huntsville that very night if he'd let me in. "In this snowstorm? In that truck? Ok, you're in. You deserve to be a Canadian." 47 years later, I'm still in awe of my good fortune to be a working Canadian artist – creating songs and performing them for across our beloved True North.



Essig is especially admired as a guitarist whose folk sound is tintured by bluegrass and country blues.

TICKETS \$30 available via [the GroundZero website](#)

UPDATE - ACORN TREE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE - Knox is thrilled to announce that the Acorn Tree Early Childhood Centre, originally planned to start operating out of Rooms 1 & 2 in April, will be going ahead starting September. Acorn Tree will be in Rooms 1 & 2 and will be welcoming a reduced number of children due to COVID restrictions. Elidah Jewer is the directress of the centre and we are very excited to have her joining us at Knox. A big thank-you to Ian Ward and Margaret Warburton for their help in making Knox ready for the addition of tiny, smiling faces in September!



HEALING AND PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

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.

COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY

Watch this space for future updates.

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>

MINISTER ON VACATION - Our minister Jennifer Ferguson will be on vacation until August 17. If you have any urgent pastoral care needs during this time, our Minister Emeritus, Rev. Dr. Bruce McIntyre will be available. Thank you to Bruce for his continual care for all of us at Knox.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION MINISTRY

BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM –Bible study will resume on Wednesday, August 19th at 10:30.

COUNCIL NEWS

Stay tuned for future news.

UNITED CHURCH APPEAL FOR THE DEVASTATION IN LEBANON



The tragic explosion in Beirut on August 4 caused immense destruction, and the death toll continues to rise. You can help those affected by donating to [our appeal](#). Your donations will be matched by the Canadian government until August 24, 2020.

The United Church of Canada has been in contact with our Mission & Service partners in the region about how best to respond to this tragedy. Please continue to pray for the injured and those who have lost their lives, as well as the families, communities, and first responders to the disaster.

[Find out more and donate](#)



If we start to see the earth as our mother, we will likely chart a course to a more environmentally friendly way of life.

FAITH IN OUR BOOKS

Seeking inspiration on what to read? Or are you looking for a bit more substance in your Instagram feed? Be sure to follow [faith in our books](#), our dedicated Instagram account for the United Church Bookstore! You'll find inspiring quotes and short snippets to make you ponder and wonder, all taken from books that we carry. [Join us!](#)

HUNGER SKYROCKETING DUE TO COVID-19

People of the United Church have asked how they can support our church as we reach out to partners and the vulnerable communities they work with during the pandemic. Make a gift today to support those suffering around the world because of COVID-19. Your support will reach vulnerable communities in the global South and provide them with life-saving food. To learn more and support this appeal, visit the [COVID-19 Global Response Webpage](#)

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA



SUSPICIOUS EMAILS There are several concerning reports of emails that look as though they are from United Church congregational ministers, and Regional Council staff and executive members, but they are fake messages carrying a simple, yet sophisticated scam. The messages impersonate the minister, sometimes doing enough research to mimic their personality or writing style.

The content of the scam message is varied, but always has a personal request for help. The message asks the reader to purchase gift cards, take photos of those cards, and send the images back to the impersonator. This scam preys on our desire to be in ministry together, helping where we can. Several people have fallen prey to this, and one victim reported that “they felt honoured to be asked to help”.

Please know that PMRC leaders (ministers, regional staff etc.) will not email you to ask for help (financial, emotional, etc.), and will not ask you to keep correspondence a secret or ask you not to contact them by phone.

If you get an email that looks like it has come from someone you know and trust but suspect it is spam, please follow these 4 steps:

1. Don't click on any links in the email
2. Don't open any attachments attached to the email
3. Don't use the Reply feature to respond to the email
4. Delete the email

If you feel and think that the email may be a legitimate message you can:

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- Hover your cursor over the “**FROM**” name to reveal the email address that the sender has used. If the details are different from the minister or church staff person’s usual email address, it is not legitimate and follow the 4 steps above
- Call the minister or staff person who is sending the email, or
- Compose a **NEW** email (not Reply to) to the person or leader, using their trusted email address, to gain clarity and information about the email you received.

OUR KNOX FAMILY

VIDEO Of Max Boyce reading his beautiful poem “*Just the Tide Went Out*” Submitted by Colleen Welsh.

