

**SUNDAY CELEBRATION 10:00 AM
KNOX UNITED CHURCH**

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Rev. Jennifer Ferguson, *Minister*
Jane Williams, *Administrator*
Colleen Welsh, *Facility Coordinator*
Kathleen Howard, *Relief Administrator*

Rev. Dr. M. Bruce McIntyre, *Minister Emeritus*
Jenny Vincent, *Music Leader*
Jan & Bill Laurie, *Music Team*
Shirlene Donnelly, *Native Flute*

|April 8, 2018

Service is Being Led by the Visioning Facilitation Team

“Be Still And Know That I Am God”

Please note that our sanctuary is equipped with a loop system for the hearing impaired. If you wear a hearing-aid, please turn it to the “T” position.

Thank you for remembering that Knox strives to be a SCENT FREE ZONE

In body or in spirit, please stand as you are able where indicated (*)

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE: Martha Pow

***HYMN** Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty 315VU

WELCOME AND LIFE AND WORK OF THE PEOPLE: Nancy Newland

PASSING OF THE PEACE: Nancy Newland

***HYMN** Take Time to Be Holy 672VU

INVITATION TO LISTEN FOR GOD’S VISION FOR KNOX

HYMN O God We Call 411VU

CENTERING PRAYER: Jo Dunn

KIDS’ ZONE: Talking With God Morganne Pickering

CHILDREN’S PRAYER

CHILDREN’S HYMN: I Prayed in the Tub AGCS 60
(Children are now invited to participate in a time of fun, food and learning in our Sunday school area)

A TIME OF REFLECTING

SCRIPTURE READING: 23 Psalm: Paul Vincent

CHOIR ANTHEM: Be Still w/m Jim Manley

READING: Stillness Speaks: Lois Grill

REFLECTION: “Communication, Commune, Community”
With Guided Meditation Morganne Pickering

***HYMN:** I Am the Dream 106MV

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Bruce McIntyre

LORD’S PRAYER 959VU

A TIME OF RISING

***HYMN:** Peace Be with You MV215

BLESSING: Bruce McIntyre

POSTLUDE:

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WEEKLY OFFERING – We are grateful for your financial gifts to our 9 ministries. Please place your offering in the baskets provided on the communion table or on the table inside the main sanctuary doors before or after the worship service.

TODAY AT KNOX

NEWCOMER’S MEET & GREET TODAY
11 – 12 PM. Rooms 1 & 2

WELCOME

Welcome To Our Service of Worship at Knox! We extend a warm welcome to **all** who may be visiting with us this morning. Please know that visitors are welcome to participate in **every** part of our worship service. If you are visiting from near or from afar, thank you for finding your way to Knox. Together we seek God's grace; it is God who welcomes you. A nursery is available in Room 4 for children 0-3. There is a time of fun and learning for children 3-11 years in our Sunday school area after the Children's Hymn. Changing table is located in the nursery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shirley Hill wishes to thank all of her fellow Knox friends for their kind thoughts and wishes upon her move to Victoria." Although I will miss Knox, the memories will be with me always."

WORSHIP AND ARTS

PRESBYTERY PRAYER CYCLE – Prayers this week to Jeri Bjornson and the congregation of Ladysmith First United Church.

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND OUTREACH

GREEN TEAM – Meets on Monday, April 9th at 9:30 am in Room 5. Anyone with an interest in environmental concerns is welcome to join us.

THE GREEN TEAM CHALLENGE – Each month your Green Team will give you a challenge of ways you can go green....This month's challenge is: Reduce your driving speed (I.e. just keep to the speed limit!)

EARTH DAY CELEBRATIONS – Sunday, April 22 10 am at Knox.

Blessing of the Animals & Honouring of All Creation

Bring your furry & feathered family members or a photo of your pet for a special Earth Day blessing (please make sure they are leashed or safely in a cage). **Don't forget your camera to record this special occasion!**

Sunday, April 22 7 pm at Knox - Featuring "A Sense of Wonder"

Join us for a special showing of the movie "A Sense of Wonder". The film highlights the life of Rachel Carson, noted marine biologist and environmentalist who is considered to be the patron saint of the modern environmental movement. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Entry by donation.

THANK YOU- Please accept our heartfelt thanks for the donation of \$9193.32 to repay the travel loan that the Government of Canada provided to the Al Faraj family. The government had written to the family a few weeks ago telling them that they had to start repaying the loan with monthly payments of \$137.68 starting in March 2018 so your donation is well timed. When I told the family about your donation they were very grateful and the father of the family Bader (pronounced exactly as it sounds Bad-er) made a gesture heavenward and said this is a gift from God (Allah). I couldn't have said it better myself. A gift of God from the people of God.

On behalf of the Al Faraj family and the Core Group and volunteers of The Qualicum Refugee Sponsorship Group (2017), thank you again for your amazing generosity.

Terry Roberts, Chair
Qualicum Refugee Sponsorship Group 2017

FUN, FAMILY & FRIENDS

NEWCOMER'S MEET AND GREET – April 8, 2018 11 to 12 pm

The second Sunday of every month is "Newcomers Meet and Greet" with Jennifer for a little one on one and also to meet a few of the "regular" Knox folks. Grab your coffee after the service and head to rooms 1 & 2 to meet other folks that may be as new and as nervous as you are!

MEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB will meet on Thursday 12 April in the Lounge. Coffee available at 8:00 AM. Hot breakfast served at 8:30. Cost is \$7.00. Guest speaker, Cathy Stewart - Opportunity of a Lifetime: Working as a Psychiatric Nurse in Nunavut. Special invitation to men who have not been part of the Men's Club or who are new to Knox or to the community. You are welcome to join us. If you would like more information or to let us know you are planning to attend, contact Ken Armstrong, Armstrong.gk@shaw.ca or 250-248-0587.



KNOX “SPRING FLING” FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH 5:30 pm

Fun for everyone building and nurturing our Knox community. *Casual* supper at 6:00 pm. Activities for all. Entertainment by us!

Tickets and a donation envelope available beginning Sunday April 1st after the service and at the church office. Don't miss out! Seating will be limited to 140 to allow space to move around. There will be an activity center for children.

Would you (or a group of you) like to share a skit? A song? A dance? A poem? A magic trick? Add to the fun! Contact Sandy Dunn (250) 248-6393 sandyd@telus.net

PROGRESSIVE SUPPER – Our Progressive dinner has moved from Friday, May 4th to Friday, October 19th. As we get closer to the date, please contact Marj Wilkie at wilkiefamily@shaw.ca if you would like to help coordinate.

LIFE GROUPS ARE COMING! – Would you like to make friends in the Knox community? Would you like to join a group for study, interest, service, social activities or any combination thereof? Perhaps a group for walking, discussion, Tea at Three, meditation, Learn How to Pray, Grumpy Old Men, a book study of “Nice Girls Don’t Change the world”, or, or, or? Look on THE WALL for ideas and add yours. Sign up to lead or join. Anne Ward, 250-468-9052 eanneward52@gmail.com Marg Conn 250-954-1244 muggins46@shaw.ca

LIFE GROUPS LEADERSHIP TRAINING - Who Me? Lead a Group? Yes You! There will be a leadership training workshop on Saturday May 12, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a catered lunch (\$10). This is for you if you are interested in leading a Life Group, if you already lead another group in the church or if you would like to gain these skills. The workshop will be led by Keith Reed of MB Seminary in Langley. Topics covered will be small group systems, leader skills, mentoring, asking excellent questions. Sign on THE WALL



KNOX PLANT SALE & UCW BAKE SALE- Sat May 5th 9 – 3 pm

The two perfect ingredients to ensure another success: donations and volunteers! *The volunteer sign-up center will appear in the hall in April.* In the meantime, please think about donations you can make from your garden or your neighbour's (I suggest asking them first, though!)

Gardening, books, tools, and accessories also welcome. Don't have a garden? How about indoor plants or pots that are no longer needed?

Do you know about our POT BIN? It is located behind the fence by the white shed. It's a "*bring and take*" situation. Clean pots welcome but please *NO tiny (3"or less) pots, no hanging baskets, or no divider trays.* **THANK YOU!**

Recycle and Reuse – Thanks to Cottonwood Nurseries on the Alberni for taking the many hanging baskets which have accumulated in our bin.

Questions and comments welcome. Sandy Dunn (250) 248-6393 or sandyd@telus.net

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

KNOX PRESENTS - TWO FUNDRAISING CONCERTS IN APRIL

Greater Victoria Police Chorus is returning to Knox after a three year absence. The 35 member chorus will perform a wide selection of old standards, Folk, Big Band and Canadian favorites. The chorus will be performing on Sunday April 8th at 2:00pm. Tickets are \$17 advance - \$20 at the door. All concert proceeds are attributed to Knox. Tickets are available from the Port Theatre, Mulberry Tree Books, Knox office and after service on the Sundays leading up to the concert dates.

Legendary jazz saxophonist/pianist **Phil Dwyer** and Canada's lady of vocal jazz **Melinda Whitaker** are performing at Knox Friday April 13 at 7:30 PM as part of the 2018 Knox Presents Concert Series. The concert will feature selections from Melinda's recording "Lucky So and So" which includes many jazz standards. In addition: Phil and his Trio will feature music from the movies including Days of Wine and Roses, Sandpiper, Charade and many others. Tickets are \$25 in advance - \$30 at the door.

We can guarantee two highly entertaining concerts – please join us and support Knox!

organWORX AT KNOX –Individual tickets may be purchased for the May 27/18 concert, 'Choir & Organ', featuring Elroy Friesen, conductor of the newly formed Schooner Cove Singers. Tickets are available from the Knox office or Mulberry Bush Bookstores in Parksville and Qualicum Beach.



FALL FAIR 2018
September 15, 2018
Please mark your calendars



HEALING AND PASTORAL CARE

THE KNOX HEALING PATHWAY- group is pleased to announce a Healing House on April 11, 12, 13 and 14, 2018. This will be an intensive Healing Pathway experience for six practitioners who are completing Phase 4 of the Healing Pathway Program. They will offer Healing Pathway sessions to the public each afternoon in 3 separate rooms. Each session will be 45 minutes long and payment will be by donation. This is an opportunity for self-care, and you can bring a friend to experience a session at the same time. To book an appointment contact Linda Skogstad at Tel 250-752-2345 or email at linda.skogstad@telus.net

HEALING SERVICE WITH COMMUNION - The Healing Team and Worship and Arts Team will be collaborating ministries to offer a monthly service of Comfort and Healing on the third Sunday of the month (except for March) at 3:00 pm. This will be a beautiful service in which candle lighting, peaceful music, prayers, reflection, communion, anointing of oil and laying on of hands for healing will be offered. The dates for the next two Comfort and Healing Services are as follows: **April 15, & May 20th**. Come away from the clutter and the chaos to find the quiet centre. Join us for an experience of healing and hope.

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL

Rev. Jennifer Ferguson: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm (Please note: Jennifer's schedule varies with meetings etc. If you would like to meet with her for pastoral care, please call her to make an appointment at **250-927-6061**, or email minister@kucparksville.ca or leave a message in the office.)

Knox Church Office Hours: Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (closed for lunch 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm).

PLEASE NOTE: The Knox Office will be closing early at 12 pm instead of the usual 3 pm on Friday April 13th.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION

DROP IN BIBLE STUDY - With Jennifer Wednesdays at 10:00 am. With those gathered, we will delve into the scripture to be discussed in Worship for the upcoming week and discover how it applies to our own lives. All perspectives and insights are welcome.

HAS THE VIOLENCE IN THE BIBLE EVER TROUBLED YOU?

You are not alone. This 8 week DVD session runs Thursday mornings until **May 24** from **10:30 am -12:30 pm** entitled Violence Divine will help us to wrestle with all of the violent passages in the bible. Contemporary theologians help us to examine these biblical passages in the context of our own time and how we reconcile these passages with our understanding of a non-violent Jesus. Please register with Jane in the office at 250-248-3927 \$10 to cover the DVD cost.

POWER of THE HEART - This full-day Workshop includes the movie...Power of The Heart with facilitators and discussion. Bring a bag lunch and come prepared to settle in and discuss one of today's hottest topics..."*What does your heart have to say to you?*"... "*What is the life you are meant to live and share?*" Discover your Inner Power, your Life Purpose and Co-create with your Heart's Wisdom and Guidance, the Life, Freedom and Fun you desire! April 21, 2018 10 am-4 pm at Knox Tickets are \$33 @www.eventbrite.com or \$44 at the door. Presented by: Gloria Stewart gloria@gloriastewart.ca and Morganne Michel Pickering harmonybreezes@shaw.ca
Tickets will be on sale after Sunday Service, April 8 & 15th

LIBRARY –**Tiny Cat**, from Library Thing is our new online catalog program. That means you can go online at <https://www.librarycat.org/lib/KnoxUnitedChurch> and browse our library. You can even send us an email directly from the program. Just click a book on the ribbon, go to the bottom of the book page for "Ask About This" and send us a note. It is an easy way to reserve a book, renew it, ask a question or even pass along a warm fuzzy! For more help, drop into the library on Sunday mornings and ask for Don or Marg.

KNOX CALENDAR April 8 – April 15, 2018

Sunday, April 8

Worship Service10:00 am – 11:00 am..... Sanctuary
Meet n' Greet..... 11:00 am – 12:00 pm.....Rooms 1 & 2
Police Chorus2:00 pm – 4:00 pm..... Sanctuary

Monday, April 9

Green Team9:30 am – 11:00 am.....Room 5
Line Dancing.....10:00 am – 12:00 pm.....Rooms 1 & 2
Creative Worship1:00 pm – 3:00 pm..... Lounge
M & P Meeting1:00 pm – 3:00 pm.....Room 5
In This Together1:30 pm – 2:30 pm.....Room 6
..... (Mental Health Support Group).....
Sisters United4:00 pm – 8:30 pm..... Lounge/Kitchen
Cantando Singers.....7:00 pm – 9:00 pm.....Rooms 1 & 2
Handbell Choir7:00 pm – 8:30 pm..... Sanctuary

Tuesday, April 10

Communications Meeting9:00 am – 12:00 pm.....Rooms 1 & 2
Healing Ministry9:30 am – 11:30 am.....Room 6
Visioning Facilitation10:00 am – 12:00 am.....Room 5
UCW1:00 pm – 3:00 pm..... Lounge/Kitchen
Healing Ministry1:30 pm – 3:30 pm.....Room 6
AA.....7:00 pm – 8:30 pm.....Rooms 1 & 2
OA7:30 pm – 8:30 pm.....Room 5

Wednesday, April 11

Healing House9:00 am – 5:00 pm.....Rooms 3-6
Social Justice & Outreach....9:30 am – 12:00 pm..... Lounge
Drop-in Bible Study.....10:00 am – 12:00pm.....Room 5
Healing Ministry1:30 pm – 4:00 pm.....Room 6
Nominating Team2:00 pm – 3:30 pm.....Room 5
Knox Choir7:00 pm – 9:00 pm..... Sanctuary

Thursday, April 12

Men's Club7:00 am – 10:00 am..... Lounge/Kitchen
Healing House9:00 am – 5:00 pm.....Rooms 3-6
Stewardship & Finance9:00 am – 11:00 am.....Rooms 1 & 2
BUG Meeting10:00 am – 12:00 pm.....Room 5
DVD Series10:30 am – 12:30 pm.....Minister's Office

Friday, April 13

Healing Ministry9:30 am – 11:30 am.....Room 6
OA10:00 am- 11:00 am..... Chapel
Manna.....1:30 pm – 3:00 pm..... Kitchen
Phil Dwyer Concert.....7:30 pm – 9:30 pm..... Sanctuary

Saturday, April 14

Cantando Singers.....7:00 pm – 9:00 pm..... Sanctuary

Sunday, April 15

Worship Service10:00 am – 11:30 am..... Sanctuary
Healing Service3:00 pm – 4:00 pm..... Sanctuary

Knox United Church Council 2017-18

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Ron Schiefke	

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