

KNOX eNews: LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCH

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WORSHIP AND ARTS MINISTRY

WILD CHURCH at KNOX Sunday, August 30th at 11:00 am - For those of you missing indoor worship at Knox, we will be having another outdoor worship service in Knox's backyard on Sunday, August 30 at 11:00 (rain date Sunday, Sept 6 at 11:00) for a Blessing of the Animals service.

Bring your pets on leashes or in carriers as we celebrate and blessing the ways in which the love and companionship of our pets and the wonders of creation strengthen and sustain us through these challenging times.

Please bring your own chairs and register your attendance by emailing minister@kucparksville.ca. Limited spaces so register early.

WELCOME GUEST MUSICIAN BARB MYERS -We welcome Barb Myers as our guest musician today. 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

ZATOUN – Who would like to purchase a product from Zatoun? If enough people are interested, I would send in an order and we might be able to have it sent postage free. Products are the same price as last year. Let me know if you would like to order oil, organic oil, herbs or soap and they now have dates. Check out the website at www.zatoun.com. You can contact me at sldabb@telus.net or 250.752.7588. Sallie Dabb

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!

BACKYARD WORSHIP – Thank you kindly for hosting in your backyard and a special thank you to our Worship Leaders. Backyard worship was well-received. Now, if you wish to continue with hosting as long as the weather cooperates and you have worship leader willing to continue, send the information to Jane and she will email the dates, times and rain dates to the congregation. Thanks! Gayle Haughn.

SACRED SPACES MINISTRY

THANK YOU to Ian W and Chris D for removing some dead trees on the Knox property. What would we do without our volunteers? 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 "QUALITY" GARAGE SALE

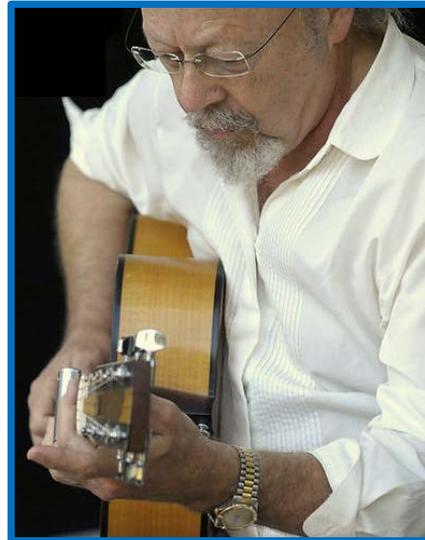
September 12 and 19th 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

To members of the Knox congregation: I am inviting you to donate quality items to the KNOX "QUALITY" GARAGE SALE to be held in my garage on September 12th and 19th. Please only donate items that you think will sell. No clothing or books, please. Bring your donations, already priced, to my home on Friday, September 11th, and September 18th between noon and 8:00 pm. Due to limited space, I would appreciate receiving only good quality items. Thanks, Margaret Warburton 250-951-5990 or warburton59@shaw.ca

GROUNDZERO & KNOX PRESENTS...

DAVID ESSIG (with GERRY BARNUM) TWO SHOWS Saturday, Sept 12th at 5 pm and 7:30 pm

David Essig was introduced to Canadian audiences in 1971 as a “talented newcomer” at the legendary Mariposa Folk Festival. Now, nearly 40 years later, he has an international career as one of Canada’s finest interpreters of original, contemporary folk music. Always paying homage to his roots in Bluegrass and Country Blues, David uses these traditions to create timeless new songs.



Singer, songwriter, bluesman. Often described as a musician’s musician, Gerry Barnum is a seasoned and soulful artist. His songs range from tender to foot-stomping and his guitar technique and harmonica playing are excellent.

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

DIANA BRAITHWAITE & CHRIS WHITELY

TWO SHOWS Friday, Sept 25th 5 & 7:30 pm. Limited Seating.

Diana Braithwaite is a vintage and classic blues and jazz performer. Dubbed “a national treasure” by JAZZ FM’s Radio Host Danny Marks, Diana Braithwaite combines elements from Dinah Washington, Esther Phillips, and others to create her own unique appealing and expressive blues style.

A multiple award-winning international touring horn player Chris Whitely is also a sought-after recording artist and has appeared on over 250 recordings over his successful career as a trumpet and cornet player.

DOORS OPEN AT 4:30 PM. TICKETS \$30 by [clicking here](#)

LEEROY STAGGER TWO SHOWS Saturday, Sept 26th 5 & 7:30 pm

Leeroy Stagger has returned with a heavy-duty follow up to 2017’s much-acclaimed Love Versus which laces pop hooks and glam-rock flirtations with cosmic reflections on loss, forgiveness, love, death and the path to get there.

This tour showcases an artist at his best, a singer, songwriter, performer, and producer who has stared down his past and faced down his demons, embracing the beauty and pain of a thoughtful life.

Genre: Alternative Country, Folk, Country, Songwriter, Singer from Lethbridge, AB.

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



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"**THE ACORN TREE EARLY LEARNING CENTRE**" *UPDATE* as a new tenant at Knox United Church in Room 1/2, Elidah has been hard at work transforming Room 1/2 into a magical space for kids to imagine, learn, and grow! This week will see the addition of a fenced area in the back of the church for an outdoor play space for the centre. We also will be restricting the use of the classroom wing washrooms (between Room 3 and 4) to Acorn Tree only during their hours of operation (Monday - Friday 7:30-5:00, the centre is open from 8:00-4:00 pm but staff will be there before and after). We appreciate your cooperation with this change as restrictions have increased during the Pandemic. Washrooms adjacent to the kitchen are available for use at any time.

The Acorn Tree Early Childhood Centre is a full day, licensed group program for children 2.5 to 6 years of age, offering a nature-based, play-based, enriched preschool curriculum.

At **THE ACORN TREE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE**, children and families are celebrated, honoured, and empowered. Our program focuses on building strong, positive, thoughtful, and caring relationships. Our curriculum is based upon a deep respect for nature and our environment, for ourselves, our families, our friends, our community, for education, and for our unlimited potential and opportunities. We advocate a compassionate relationship building & a lifelong love of learning. We offer inspired, inclusive, & enriched developmentally appropriate activities to nurture each child's early physical, cognitive, emotional, social & moral growth.

The Acorn Tree is inspired by, and creates an emergent preschool learning curriculum based upon a fusion of three worldly respected, traditional early childhood teaching philosophies:

REGGIO EMILIA

An Italian educational approach created based upon the principles of active curiosity, respect, responsibility, relationship and community building through self-guided exploration, creativity, and discovery in a supportive environment. Observation, experimentation, documentation, and interesting ingredients for imaginative play are utilized. Emergent, curiosity-driven, child-initiated, hands-on learning.

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"Children are endowed with a hundred languages through which they can express their ideas" - Loris Malaguzzi

WALDORF

An early childhood philosophy that began in Germany; focusing on strengthening a child's affinity with the natural world; based upon the importance of nature, movement, fantasy, and play. It nourishes and protects a child's inborn sense of awe, wonder, play and imagination.

"Accept the child with reverence, educate them with love, send them forth in freedom". - Rudolf Steiner

MONTESSORI

A practical educational style that began in Italy, which encourages a child's innate desire to learn. This early academic curriculum respects the intelligence and individuality of each child; allowing them the freedom to explore and express themselves in their own way, at their own pace, while being supported and challenged. The child develops intellectual curiosity, confidence, independence, self-respect, and respect for the world around them.

"A child's work is to create the person she will become... We are helping the child to help themselves" - Maria Montessori

The Acorn Tree Early Childhood Centre is open Monday to Friday, September to July.

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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>

SPIRITUAL FORMATION MINISTRY

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

Stay tuned for future news.

OUR KNOX FAMILY

THANK YOU – To all of you who sent get-well cards and for your prayers and phone calls to Jim after his unfortunate accident. We so much appreciated your friendship and thoughtfulness. I am very happy to say that Jim is doing much better. We are missing all of you! Sincerely, Anne G.

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Several churches and churchgoers continue to be targeted by phishing emails, often seemingly from people they know. So, how do you identify emails that are potential scams or “phishing” attempts? Check out [this short video](#)



More great info, including what to do if you think your email has been hacked is also available [in this blog post](#)

When in doubt, it is always best to call the sender on the phone and ask, if possible!

RE-ENTRY TO GATHERED WORSHIP IN BUILDINGS (VIDEO)

As many of us consider re-entering our church buildings for in-person worship, Rev. Diane J. Strickland offers a two-part video on “Making Faithful Decisions on Re-entry”. How are we going to make decisions about re-entering that are faithful in every respect? These decisions need to be pastoral, conform to regulations, and be trauma-informed.



Part 1 of this video addressed the questions: How do we change our assumptions and why? And how we deepen individual and collective awareness that will allow us to move forward faithfully with grace? [In Part 2](#), Rev. Diane Strickland discusses the role of leaders in carrying for a trauma-informed approach to the re-entry decision-making and implementation process to bring along as many people as possible. How can we work together with individuals and the collective community of faith to find the right angle of approach for re-entering in-person worship together?