

I have never had a secret hero  
in my mind but I have kept a lot  
of mentors in my mind that are  
heroes. Gandhi, Jesus, Moses,  
Martin Luther King they were all  
secret heroes in my mind because  
they stood for what they wanted,  
what they believed in.

John Assaraf

  
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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

### **WEEKLY OFFERING**

We are grateful for your financial gifts to our 9 ministries. If you are financially able, please continue to support our faith community financially through this challenging time via your PAR givings arranged through the office, or by dropping off your offering envelope in the secured mailbox outside the front doors of the church at 345 Pym street, or through the "Donate" tab on our website. While the church is currently closed due to COVID-19, for the health and well-being of our faith community our minister ([minister@kucparksville.ca](mailto:minister@kucparksville.ca)), church office administrator ([admin@kucparksville.ca](mailto:admin@kucparksville.ca)) and facility coordinator ([facility@kucparksville.ca](mailto:facility@kucparksville.ca)) will continue to be accessible through email and phone calls.



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

**August 23, 2020**

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Our Core Values are:

**Compassion, Inclusion, Joy and Spirituality**

Our Mission:

***Guided by the creative Spirit of God, we are called to  
build community that cares, shares and dares.***

Rev. Jennifer Ferguson, *Minister*      Rev. Dr. M. Bruce McIntyre, *Minister Emeritus*  
Jane Williams, *Administrator*      Barb Myers, *Guest Musician*  
Karen Freeman, *Facility Coordinator*      Kathleen Howard, *Relief Administrator*

**Welcome to Worship at Knox!** We extend a warm "virtual" welcome to **all** who are a part of our community of faith, who are seeking a church home or visiting with us from away. May you receive what you need today and sense the presence of the Spirit of God moving among us.

**REGIONAL PRAYER CYCLE** – Prayers this week to the ministry and congregation at the Union Bay United Fellowship.

A mentor is someone who allows  
you to see the hope inside  
yourself. A mentor is someone  
who allows you to know that no  
matter how dark the night, in  
the morning joy will come. A  
mentor is someone who allows you  
to see the higher part of  
yourself when sometimes it  
becomes hidden to your own view.

Oprah Winfrey

**SPIRITUAL RESILIENCE THROUGH  
INSPIRATIONAL MENTORS**

**WELCOME AND LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE  
AND VIRTUAL PASSING OF THE PEACE TO ONE ANOTHER**

**PRELUDE**    **Lucky Me**                      **w/m Linnea Good**

## A TIME OF REJOICING

**HYMN: God of the Bible 28MV**

God of the Bible, God in the Gospel,  
hope seen in Jesus, hope yet to come,  
you are our centre, daylight or darkness,  
freedom or prison, you are our home.

Chorus:

Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise,  
God always faithful, you do not change.  
Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise,  
God always faithful, you do not change.

God in our struggles, God in our hunger,  
suffering with us, taking our part,  
still you empow'r us, mothering Spirit,  
feeding sustaining, from your own heart.

**Chorus:**

## CENTERING PRAYER

## A TIME OF REFLECTING

**SCRIPTURE READING:** 1 Thessalonians 3:1-4, 6-12

## REFLECTION

**SOLO:**           **Open and Willing**                                 **w/m Holly Near**

**Chorus:** I am open, I am willing,  
for to be hopeless would seem so strange  
It dishonours those who go before us,  
So lift us up to the light of change.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

*The Singing Bowl invites us to center....*

**Sung Response:** Deep in our hearts there is a common vision;  
deep in our hearts there is a common song;  
deep in our hearts there is a common story,  
telling Creation that we are one.

## A TIME OF RISING

**HYMN: God, We Thank You Ruth Duck/Ron Klusmeier**

God we thank you for our people  
Roots dug deep within the soil  
Hardy spirits rich in loving  
Strong for struggle, bold for toil  
Faithful rock of generation  
You whom parent's parents praise  
Here in hope as we remember  
May our song to you be raised

Thank you God for gentle pleasures:  
Lessons learned and secrets told  
Hopes and mem'ries saved as treasure  
Passed to young ones by the old  
Pranks and glories, songs and stories  
Food by loving hands prepared  
God we bless you for your presence  
In our tears and laughter shared.

By your spirit of creation  
Keep us bold for risking still  
Eager in anticipation  
Ever strong to do your will  
Bind us close to one another  
Sharing life and deaths and birth  
Welcoming as sister, brother  
All your children on the earth.

God we thank you for our people  
Roots dug deep within the soil  
Hardy spirits rich in loving  
Strong for struggle, bold for toil.

## BLESSING

**POSTLUDE You've Got a Friend w/m Carole King  
(James Taylor version)**