

## **KNOX eNews: LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCH**

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**February 14, 2021 edition**

### **WORSHIP AND ARTS MINISTRY**

#### **WORSHIP SERVICE THEMES – AWAKENINGS**

**Feb 14** - Awakening to Love and the Kingdom of Heaven.

**LIVE ZOOM WORSHIP INFO Meeting ID: 812 7823 4982, Passcode: 261349 Link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81278234982?pwd=WG1NVTJyMngxa3ppKzgyV0hBeTJ3QT09>

**RECORDING** – If Sunday morning Zoom isn't convenient for you, you can still watch a recording of the service through the Knox website by visiting [www.kucparksville.ca](http://www.kucparksville.ca) and clicking on the "worship" tab or you can [click here](#) The service is usually uploaded by Monday morning. The recording will also be sent by email on Mondays.

**ZOOM SERVICE OF ASHES Wed., Feb. 17, 7:00 pm (new time)** Join us for a brief, pensive Ash Wednesday Service by Zoom. Keep ashes or dirt nearby for marking your foreheads.

**Meeting ID: 892 7927 0546, Passcode: 164798**

**Link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89279270546?pwd=Zm95Z2dvNUIUZHK0TWRRa250OGxHdz09>

### **FUN, FAMILY, FRIENDS & FOOD MINISTRY**

**ZOOM MARDI GRAS Tues., Feb.16, 6:00 – 6:45 pm (new time)**

Calling the young and the young at heart to join us for a fun time after enjoying your Fat Tuesday Pancakes. We have a lot of talented/ fun-loving people, so let's share a little time, talent and fun on zoom telling jokes, juggling, storytelling, etc. and yes, remember the costumes! We will have prizes for the best costumes in two categories- the young and the young at heart! Should this be in the FFF&F section?

If you have a hidden talent, story, jokes, etc., you might like to share please contact Gayle H. and we will make sure that you have your showtime. REMEMBER this is a fun event! **PLEASE CHECK THE KNOX PHOTO DIRECTORY FOR CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Meeting ID: 874 2487 2505, Passcode: 601981, Link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87424872505?pwd=aXlwcElseXNSVjhCNUNoZFdNMfhDQT09>

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE & OUTREACH MINISTRY**

**RESULTS - DRIVE-THROUGH EVENT Mon. Feb. 8 at Knox.** – Thank you to the Knox congregation for supporting our recent DRIVE-THROUGH asking for your support by signing letters from OHEARTS to various levels of government regarding concerns about the homeless situation in Oceanside. 39 people from Knox not only signed letters but also brought donations for the Food Bank. Your support is very much appreciated. SJ&O Team

**COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR** - This is your very own self-organized micro-walk! **Virtual CNOY DAY!** Pick up your WALK PACKAGE before walking on Tue Feb 16, 12-3 pm or Wed Feb 17, 10-12 pm. Pick up location ORCA PLACE – PARKING LOT, 222 Corfield Street South under the BIG WHITE TENT. See Coldest Night of the Year online for more information.



The Coldest Night of the Year is happening again and some at Knox have already walked. If you would like to support the homeless and hungry then **Sallie Dabb** will be walking on **Feb 20th**. Check Oceanside on the Coldest Night website and see who you can support.

**HOW WE CAN HELP THE PALESTINIANS** - The United Church of Canada supports the millions of Palestinians who are currently under Israeli occupation and are excluded from Israel's COVID vaccination plan. Please consider emailing your Member of Parliament, Gord Johns at [Gord.Johns@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Gord.Johns@parl.gc.ca) to express your concerns regarding the plight of the Palestinians.

#### **SOCIAL JUSTICE & OUTREACH TEAM – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are looking for volunteers to join our team. If you are looking for a new and different challenge and have a desire to make a difference in our community and the world, we would like to hear from you. No experience necessary. The skies the limit. We meet monthly. For more information, please call Margaret W., Jan L., or Alison S. You won't regret it. **PLEASE CHECK THE KNOX PHOTO DIRECTORY FOR CONTACT INFORMATION**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE AND OUTREACH PURPOSE:** Work for local, national, and global social justice and environmental causes through education, service and advocacy within Knox and the wider community. [For more info click here](#)

## FUN, FAMILY, FRIENDS & FOOD MINISTRY

**THE VIRTUAL GATHERING PLACE**—If you're missing connecting with others, join us at the Virtual Gathering Place on Zoom, Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. Get your coffee or tea ready and join in casual conversation and maybe a few laughs. Come for the whole hour or any part of it. If you've never been on Zoom, contact Anne W. for help.

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**Meeting ID: 820 6760 6176**

**Passcode: 522446**

**Link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82067606176?pwd=SEtRUUZxZDgyYmVXYU5zMUK3VUE4Zz09>

## STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE MINISTRY

**INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** - The Income Tax Receipts for donations to Knox are in the mail. Please watch for them and if you do not receive yours please let Mary Allison know.

**KNOX ENVELOPE STEWARD** - To donate to Knox United Church or to go onto PAR, (Pre-Authorized Remittance) please contact Mary Allison B. **PLEASE CHECK THE KNOX PHOTO DIRECTORY FOR CONTACT INFORMATION**

For more information, including a brochure and the PAR forms, [click here](#)

## HEALING AND PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

**CONGRATULATIONS** - **Bob and Marilou Paterson** celebrated their **60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Wed. Feb. 10**. Marilou was raised in Parksville and Bob grew up in Nanaimo - locals to the core. They met in Vancouver on a blind date and were married there during their university years. Marilou became a nurse and Bob a geologist. Bob's work took them to Texada Island and then to Alberta. They have always been faithful and active United Church members. Upon retiring they came back home to live in Marilou's childhood home. Bob was on the Knox building committee and Marilou has worn many hats. She was Pastoral Care chair, Social Justice and Outreach and Chair of Council. Knox wishes them many more years of happiness. Knox also thanks both Marilou and Bob for all their years of dedication and service

**KNOX PRAYER SHAWL GROUP** – To all our knitters or crocheters out there. We are still in need of prayer shawls to restock our cupboard. In this time of Covid-19 relaxing & working on a shawl is restful & helpful.

## 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 shutdown, they can call Bruce Mcl. and he will be willing to provide you with a modified distance prayerful healing session. **PLEASE CHECK THE KNOX PHOTO DIRECTORY FOR CONTACT INFORMATION**

## MINISTRY & PERSONNEL MINISTRY

**Rev. Jennifer Ferguson: Monday-Friday, days off are Friday & Saturday.** (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](mailto:minister@kucparksville.ca)  
**Knox United Church Staff Email Addresses** Follow this link to the Knox Website: [www.kucparksville.ca/pages/contact-us](http://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>

## FROM THE CHURCH OFFICES

**ADMINISTRATOR AWAY** – Jane will be out of the office from **Feb 12 to March 17 inclusive**. No one will be monitoring her emails and voicemails during this time so please do not send her either.

Several kind people have offered to help in her absence. Colleen Welsh will be looking after the eNews and Karen Freeman will be covering for Jane should there be any other issues. Thank you, ladies!

**KNOX eNews** – From **Feb 12 to March 10** please forward eNews submissions to **Colleen Welsh** at [marketingkuc@gmail.com](mailto:marketingkuc@gmail.com)  
**Submissions Deadline** noon Wednesdays

**Font:** Arial **Size:** 11

**Length of submission:** 100 words maximum

**Subject:** Include words eNews and name of the applicable ministry

**PASTORAL CARE** - Jennifer will continue to be available Monday through Thursday from 9-4 and for pastoral emergencies beyond those hours. If there is a death, please contact Jennifer directly at **250.927.6061**.

Jennifer makes her own appointments. (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](mailto:minister@kucparksville.ca).

## FROM THE CHURCH OFFICES

If you have questions concerning your **PAR**, or contributions to Knox, please contact **Mary Allison Bell**. **PLEASE CHECK THE KNOX PHOTO DIRECTORY FOR CONTACT INFORMATION**

If your question is **finance-related**, please contact our **Treasurer, Brenda Astle** at [acctg@kucparksville.ca](mailto:acctg@kucparksville.ca)

**REDUCED HOURS IN EFFECT** Due to lack of financial resources, our support staff's hours have been reduced. The church will be open on Monday mornings from 9:30-11:00, otherwise, the staff will continue to be available from home and church through **email, phone calls** and **pre-scheduled appointments**. We ask for your patience and understanding when waiting for a response. We all look forward to the time when we can resume the usual office hours.

**ROOM or ZOOM BOOKINGS** - If you have any questions concerning facility bookings or zoom meetings contact Karen Freeman directly at [facility@kucparksville.ca](mailto:facility@kucparksville.ca)

### STRICT SAFETY PROTOCOL -EVERYONE WHO ENTERS

**Will be required to:**

- wear a mask (your mask must be in place before entering)
- use hand sanitizer and sign-in (for contact tracing purposes)
- Always maintain social distance & limit the areas you access in the church check with the staff first.

**WASHROOMS** Only the washrooms in the kitchen wing are to be used.

**IN-PERSON WORSHIP, CONCERTS AND RENTALS** - Given the current Government of BC COVID-19 restrictions, the church is no longer allowed to offer in-person worship services, concerts, or rentals for external meetings, other than our local support groups (OA and AA). We are also recommending that our own internal meeting groups use Zoom meetings whenever possible. Please contact Karen Freeman at [facility@kucparksville.ca](mailto:facility@kucparksville.ca) to schedule your zoom meetings. Stay safe!

## COMMUNICATIONS

Stay tuned for future updates.

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION MINISTRY

**BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM** – Wednesdays 10:30-12. **Meeting ID: 844 1018 3121, Passcode: 957519 Meeting Link:**  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/join/98tyKuGsqjoqG9yWsRuGRpwlBoj4c-vxiHZcjY1rlzjGJhR4NSf\\_EupBY71TBPD3](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/98tyKuGsqjoqG9yWsRuGRpwlBoj4c-vxiHZcjY1rlzjGJhR4NSf_EupBY71TBPD3)

## COUNCIL NEWS

Stay tuned for future updates.

## UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

**INVITATION - AN EVENING WITH THE MODERATOR** – Our friends at Broad View United in Victoria invite all Islands and Sunshine Coast Communities of Faith to spend some time with the Moderator of the United Church, Rev. Dr. Richard Bott.

**NOTE: Broad View United will send us the Zoom link closer to the date. This is early notice so you will save the date!**

**Broad View United** is inviting you to meet with the Moderator of The United Church, Rev. Dr. Richard Bott on **Tuesday, February 16 at 7pm via Zoom**

**Topic:** The State of the Church from a National Perspective, Covid, Reorganization, Vision, Mission, Staffing and other things.

**Format:** Richard will speak for 20-30 minutes, and then we will have a question and answer format for the remainder of 1 hour to 1.15.

**Ways to Submit Questions:** There are a few ways to submit your questions:

1. Prior to the zoom send your questions for the Moderator to: [office@broadviewunited.com](mailto:office@broadviewunited.com)
2. During the zoom put your question into the chat box
3. Raise your "Zoom hand" icon and ask the question yourself.

Please join the meeting by 6:55pm so we can begin right at 7pm

Broad View United

**HAVE A HEART DAY** - We are asking United Church communities of faith to take some time by February 14 to mark a different kind of Valentine's Day: Have a Heart Day. Because Have a Heart Day is about kids, we really want to involve kids in this activity. We hope non-Indigenous kids can learn about the different experiences of kids in Canada and act out of a sense of compassion. We also hope Indigenous kids can speak from their hearts about what they want and need. Find out more and check out our resources.

**KNOX CALENDAR**  
**February 14 – February 21, 2021**

**OUR KNOX COMMUNITY**



**FORWARD HOUSE**  
Community Partners in Mental Health

**Forward House Community Society**  
**Changing Lives on a Daily Basis**

We know that people who are living with addiction and recovery challenges are living and working in our community. We provide compassionate, non-judgmental, and non-clinical social supports for community members in all phases of the recovery journey. (from the initial steps to maintaining complete abstinence).

Let's take this journey together!

**If you or someone you know would benefit from 1:1 recovery coaching and group support, with a skilled recovery coach, contact Sareh at 250-927-6303 or at [recovery1@forwardhouse.com](mailto:recovery1@forwardhouse.com).**

"Having someone who you can count on to always be honest and compassionate has been an enormous support on my recovery journey." – *client*.

**Join our NEW Recovery Support Group**  
**Tuesdays 6:00-7:30 pm**  
**At the Bayside Oceanfront Resort**

<b>Sunday, Feb 14</b>		
Zoom Worship Service	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom
<b>Monday, Feb 15</b>		
<b>Tuesday, Feb 16</b>		
Tai Chi	9:15 am – 11:45 am	Sanctuary
Gathering Place	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom
Mardi Gras	6:00 pm – 6:45 pm	Zoom
Council Meeting	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Zoom
<b>Wednesday, Feb 17</b>		
Bible Study	10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Zoom
Service of Ashes	7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Zoom
<b>Thursday, Feb 18</b>		
Tai Chi	9:15 am – 11:45 am	Sanctuary
<b>Friday, Feb 19</b>		
<b>Saturday, Feb 20</b>		
<b>Sunday, Feb 21</b>		
Zoom Worship Service	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom

**[For the monthly calendar click here](#)**