

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

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**April 11, 2021 edition**

### **WORSHIP AND ARTS MINISTRY**

#### **WORSHIP SERVICE THEME: FINDING PEACE BEHIND LOCKED DOORS**



#### **LIVE ZOOM WORSHIP INFO**

**Meeting ID: 812 7823 4982,**

**Passcode: 261349**

**Link:**

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

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

**REDress AWARENESS CAMPAIGN PROJECT** focuses on the issue of missing or murdered Indigenous women across Canada. Knox's Social Justice & Outreach team attached a red dress in front of the church last Thursday in support of this project. On Friday morning, a young Indigenous woman in need was struggling to get this dress down when Sandy and Karen arrived. They listened, helped her, ushered her to the washroom and soon she emerged smiling, freshened up and dressed in the clean Red Dress instead of her unwashed clothes.

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

Jennifer arrived, heard her story, comforted her, helped her with food cards etc. and she went on her way, happy! This is our church in action!

**GREEN TEAM** - The Knox United Green Team invites you to join us in a **Faith-in-Action** campaign organized by For the Love of Creation a Canadian ecumenical organization. The campaign's goal is to "*mobilize people across Canada to reduce household greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and demonstrate support for increased federal climate action*". Online resources include a pledge card and letters to federal government ministries.

For information go to the Knox website [Green Team Faith in Action](#) or [For the Love of Creation Advocacy](#)

Together let us renew our commitment to our well-being and the health of our beautiful planet.

### **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.

**Meeting ID: 820 6760 6176, Passcode: 522446, Link:**

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

**HOSPITALITY** – As we look forward to getting back to a regular Worship Service, I am taking names of individuals, couples, families, and grandparents that might enjoy greeting folks at the door on Sunday mornings. This is a fun job and a good opportunity to meet new people. If you are interested, please contact Lorna K.

**GMO** – Looking for a person to take over the lead for Grumpy Men Only! A fun group of men that were meeting twice a month. The Lead person picked a topic for discussion at the meeting, PIE was a big part of the gathering which happened outdoors or indoors (when permitted) Interested in leading a small group of grumpy men give me a shout! Contact: Gayle H.

## STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE MINISTRY

**CAR BOOT SALE on SAT. JUNE 19, 2021 from 10 – 2 PM @KNOX**

We will be inviting the community to attend this event with all profits going to Knox. Everyone loves a **GARAGE SALE** so we anticipate that this will be a popular event. **Contact: Margaret W.**

**ALL COVID-19 PROTOCOLS WILL BE FOLLOWED**



## HEALING AND PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

**HEALING** - The Healing ministry is **not** taking appointments to protect our clients and practitioners at this uncertain time. However, if anyone requires a healing treatment during the shutdown, they can call *Bruce McI.* and he will be willing to provide you with a modified distance prayerful healing session.

## MINISTRY & PERSONNEL MINISTRY

**Rev. Jennifer Ferguson:** Jennifer will continue to be available **Monday-Thursday from 9-4** and for pastoral emergencies beyond those hours. If there is a death, please phone her directly. (*below*)  
**NOTE: Her days off are Friday & Saturday.** Jennifer makes her own appointments. If you would like to meet with her for a phone or FaceTime pastoral care visit, please call **250.927.6061** or email her at [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

### KNOX eNews

**Submissions:** to [admin@kucparksville.ca](mailto:admin@kucparksville.ca)

**Deadline:** noon Wednesdays

**Font:** Arial

**Size:** 11

**Length:** 100 words maximum

**Subject:** Include words eNews in the subject line and the name of the applicable ministry.

## FROM THE CHURCH OFFICES

**CHURCH HOURS** – In keeping with Provincial and Regional guidelines of the United Church of Canada, we will be closing the church for at least the next 3 weeks, with the minister and support staff only entering the church building when necessary. The staff will still be available via **email** and **phone calls** but on a limited basis. 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. While all church meetings will return to Zoom meetings, one-on-one spiritual guidance is still allowed.

### STRICT SAFETY PROTOCOL -EVERYONE MUST:

- 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.

**CONCERTS, RENTALS, ROOM/ZOOM BOOKINGS** – Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the church is not allowed to offer in-person worship services, concerts, or rentals for external meetings, other than our local support groups (OA & AA) or by Zoom. Contact **Karen Freeman** at [facility@kucparksville.ca](mailto:facility@kucparksville.ca) to schedule your zoom meetings or for questions concerning bookings or zoom meetings.

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION MINISTRY

**BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM** – Wednesdays 10:30-12.

**Meeting ID:** 844 1018 3121,

**Passcode:** 957519 **Meeting Link:**

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

**LOST & FOUND** - Spiritual Formation is looking for the **DVD Saving Jesus Redux**. It was loaned out and never returned. We need it for a course starting in April. If you have the video, please contact Jennifer as soon as possible.



## UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

### LIGHT A FLAME for A GUARANTEED LIVABLE INCOME

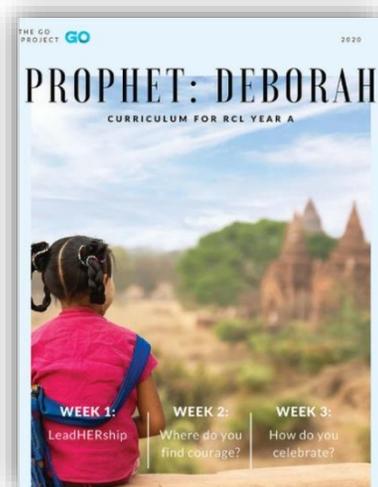
In this [video](#), Moderator Richard Bott invites you to join the call for a Guaranteed Livable Income and contact our Prime Minister and Minister of Finance. This [Thursday, April 8](#) is a chance to make this call visible; plan to light a candle, take a picture, and post publicly on social media (#UCCanlivableincome, #BasicIncome, #UCCan) in solidarity with more than 40 vigils being held online and in-person across the country. Due to COVID-19, the vigils are restricted to locally designated individuals, and plans will be adjusted if needed. Read more [on the GLI webpage](#)

**STORIES OF OUR MISSION. Rainbow Camp receives Governor General's Award.** Out of the blue, Harry Stewart and Chris Southin learned that they had won an award from the Governor General recognizing "great Canadians for exceptional deeds that bring honour to our country". They received the honour for co-founding Rainbow Camp®, based in northern Ontario. Since 2012, the camp has welcomed young people of all sexual identities and gender expressions. Your support through Mission & Service has been there from the beginning. [Here's the story](#) about how your gifts support award-winning, safe, welcoming spaces like Rainbow Camp®.

### UNITED CHURCH BOOKSTORE: GO Project Resources

Have you checked out the multitude of handy curriculums from the GO Project yet? From annual subscriptions to specific one-off resources (like the three-week unit on the life of [Deborah, the Mother of Israel](#)), they've got you covered! [Browse the selection](#) to learn more.

P.S. On a different note, [Fellowship Cups](#) are now back in stock!



## KNOX CALENDAR April 11 – April 18, 2021

<b>Sunday, April 11</b>	Zoom Worship Service	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom
<b>Monday, April 12</b>	Stewardship & Finance Meeting Staff Meeting	9:00 am – 10:30 am 11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Zoom Zoom
<b>Tuesday, April 13</b>	Council Executive Meeting Gathering Place	9:00 am – 10:00 am 10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom Zoom
<b>Wednesday, April 14</b>	Bible Study	10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Zoom
<b>Thursday, Apr 15</b>	*Earth Day @ Home		<a href="#">9 Activities you can do at home</a>
<b>Friday, Apr 16</b>	*Earth Day @ Home		
<b>Saturday, Apr 17</b>	*Earth Day @ Home		
<b>Sunday, Apr 18</b>	Zoom Worship Service	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom

[For the monthly calendar click here](#)

\*For more information on Earth Day Week and Activities  
[Click here](#)

## OUR KNOX COMMUNITY

**SO, YOU'VE RECEIVED YOUR FIRST COVID-19 SHOT. What are you now allowed or not allowed to do?**

### First-dose protection 'imperfect'

Have You Been Fully Vaccinated? People are considered fully vaccinated:

- 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or
- 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine

If you don't meet these requirements, you are NOT fully vaccinated. Keep taking all [precautions](#) until you are fully vaccinated.

In an emailed statement to CBC News (March 20, 2021), a federal health agency spokesperson said because there is limited evidence about whether those vaccinated can still transmit the virus, everyone should continue to follow public health measures.

"If you have had one dose, the protection is certainly imperfect and you perhaps have 50 to 60 percent or so protection," Dr. Peter Juni similarly told CBC News.

"This means if you haven't received the full vaccination with two doses — you need to stick to the same rules as before.

It's the same playbook as before, unfortunately. You should keep taking [precautions](#) in public places like wearing a mask, staying 6 feet apart from others, and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces until we know more." Experts say even if vaccinated people don't get sick, they might still get infected without showing any symptoms.

Submitted by Shane Conn.

**PARKSVILLE SHORES TAI CHI -New Beginner Class** -starts Monday, April 12, 9:30-11:30, class on Monday 9:30-11:30 am at Knox United Church. Cost is \$10 for 1st month or \$50 for 3 months. You must be 18 or older. Space is limited to 25 participants. To register go to [Knox United Church](#) or to [Parksville](#)

**CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

## OUR KNOX COMMUNITY

Oceanside Grandmothers to Grandmothers

# Welcome Spring Plant Sale

**Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup> • 8am – 1pm**  
**738 Gaetjen Street Parksville**

**Flowers, Vegetable Starters,  
Indoor Plants, Shrubs, Tools,  
Preserves, Garden Art,  
Crafts & more!**

All net proceeds to the Stephen Lewis Foundation Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign



Donations of plants, tools,  
garden arts and crafts welcomed.  
Contact Lorna Reid [lornareid@shaw.ca](mailto:lornareid@shaw.ca).

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