

KNOX eNews: LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCH

For more information www.kucparksville.ca

May 30, 2021 edition

WORSHIP AND ARTS MINISTRY

WORSHIP SERVICE THEME: CELEBRATING GENEROSITY



LIVE ZOOM WORSHIP INFO

Meeting ID: 812 7823 4982, Passcode: 261349, Link:

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

INVITATION TO SHARE YOUR VIEWS – The Knox Council has been determining how to bring music leadership back to Knox. Recently a survey was sent to all members of the congregation by the ad hoc committee and there was a positive response. Now it is time to take a more in-depth look at what type of music and music leadership will bring the spirit back to Knox. Members of the congregation are invited to participate in one of five focus groups (via an evening zoom meeting) to share their personal views on the role music plays in their lives and the life of Knox.

Your participation requires a commitment to **one 90-minute Zoom** session and may involve some preparation ahead of time. A maximum of **50** people will be eligible for this next stage in music development. Please indicate if you are willing to participate by emailing goedworks@gmail.com by June 11th. Focus groups will be held during the week of **June 28th**.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & OUTREACH MINISTRY

“A just peace is the only way out of the cycle of bombs and guns”.

For the United Church of Canada's position regarding the current violence in Israel/Gaza please go online to: 'United Church of Canada' and look for 'A Call to Stop the Violence' or [click here](#). We are encouraged to write our MP, Gord Johns, and our Minister of Foreign Affairs, Marc Garneau, expressing our concern as Canadian citizens and members of the United Church of Canada.

FUN, FAMILY, FRIENDS & FOOD MINISTRY

KNOX VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR – We are gathering May 27 from 4:30 – 5:30 pm on Zoom. Grab your beverage of choice and join us for some conversation and laughs. **Meeting ID: 841 7292 6124, Passcode: 638883, Link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84172926124?pwd=Z2F1WXpwM3FJL3VERVNONkl4aEwvdz09>

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>

GMO (GRUMPY MEN ONLY) a Knox men's group that gets together at 7 pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month.

We are men dedicated to the philosophy of Dudeism. Dudeism advocates and encourages the practice of "going with the flow", "being cool headed", and "taking it easy" in the face of life's difficulties, believing that this is the only way to live in harmony with our inner nature and the challenges of interacting with other people.

Interested? Bring your lawn chair and coffee and meet with us at the shelter in the **Parksville Community Park** on **Tuesday, June 8 & 22nd at 7:00 pm.**

ALL COVID-19 PROTOCOLS FOLLOWED



SACRED SPACES

LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO WATER OUR GARDENS! - Easy job, very rewarding. If you can help, please give me a call. Thanks, Margaret W.

WE NEED MORE GARDEN HOSES - URGENT! By any chance do you have a hose that you are no longer using? We would love to give it a new home at Knox. Call Margaret W or Linda N.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE MINISTRY

NEW CAR BOOT SALE SAT. JULY 10, 2021 from 9-2 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

COMMUNICATIONS

THANK YOU - to Cathy McNeil for coordinating our **Broadview subscriptions** this year and many past years. Cathy is really retiring this year and we thank her so much for her years of service and dedication in bringing Broadview to our congregation. Cathy has kindly shared her knowledge with Barbara Strumecki who has stepped into the position of Broadview Subscription Coordinator. Welcome Barbara and thank you. We are also grateful to all of those who took out subscriptions as we qualified for 5 free subscriptions which were gifted to new members of Knox. What a welcome gift that is!

A gentle reminder: We like to get the good news out! When you send news items to Jane, please also send them to Colleen for the website and Marg for the LED sign.

Jane: admin@kucparksville.ca

Colleen marketingkuc@gmail.com

Marg: muggins46@shaw.ca

MINISTRY & PERSONNEL MINISTRY

Rev. Jennifer Ferguson: Jennifer will be working from home but will continue to be available Monday through Thursday from 9:00-5:00 and for pastoral emergencies beyond these hours. She is also allowed to meet one on one for spiritual guidance, abiding within all the recommended protocols. 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

NOTE: Jennifer's days off are Friday & Saturday.

Knox United Church Staff Email Addresses [click here](#)

Knox United Church Council 2018-19 For a list of Council Members and Team Leaders, [Click here](#)

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICES

eNews Submissions: to admin@kucparksville.ca

Deadline: noon Wednesdays, **Font:** Arial, **Size:** 11, **Length:** 100 words

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

Length of Ad: 2 weeks maximum

OFFICE HOURS –Jane and Karen will continue to be available from home via **email and phone calls** working 15 hours each. We ask for your patience and understanding when waiting for a response.

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 – Contact **Karen Freeman** at 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/84410183121?pwd=WXZKck9TRi9GTXh4NjZFcnE0TnJmdz09>

Union Day Service of Celebration

Join **Moderator Richard Bott** and others
for a special online worship service
to celebrate the **96th anniversary**
of The United Church of Canada.

7:00 p.m. EDT, June 10, 2021

Livestream on  **YouTube**



CHURCH UNION ONLINE SERVICE - Save the date! On June 10, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. ET, join Moderator Richard Bott and others for a special online worship service to celebrate the 96th anniversary of The United Church of Canada. This service will be live-streamed on our YouTube channel. Please bring water with you to participate in the service.

STORIES OF OUR MISSION – Outdoor ministry supports the well-being of children. In the 17 years that statistics have been gathered, no children have died falling out of trees. Yet increasing fears about playground injuries and stranger danger, along with more screen time, means that only a third of Canadian school-aged children meet physical

activity guidelines. Getting outside is good for children. Enter United Church camps. The perfect story for Environment Sunday.

UNITED CHURCH BOOKSTORE – Clearance sale continues!

The United Church Bookstore clearance sale continues with gusto, with new titles being added daily.

Shop now and discover books for as little as \$0.99! The store is making space for fresh new titles to be added, so shop while quantities last and stock up for summer. When they're gone, they're gone! From children's books to devotionals, and everything in between, you're sure to find a title or two to take home.



OUR KNOX COMMUNITY

ZATOUN OIL STILL AVAILABLE! We still have some **organic oil** for **\$15** and **regular oil** for **\$20** available. The organic oil is in smaller bottles. If anyone would like to purchase a bottle, please contact Sallie D.



Check the Knox Photo Directory for contact information

OUR KNOX COMMUNITY

IN MEMORIAM – It is with sadness that we inform you that HELEN McNabb passed over to her next life on Wednesday, May 19. HELEN is now reunited with her beloved husband, Jack. Both Helen and Jack were faithful and active members of Knox some years ago and decided to go to the mainland to be closer to family. Please keep the McNabb family in your prayers as they grieve the loss of their mother and grandmother.



HOST FAMILIES WANTED – District 69 International Student Program Students 13-18 years old in Parksville and Qualicum area need host families from the end of August until June 30, 2022. Have a spare room? Interested in providing a meaningful experience to a student? Contact us for more information. If you know of a host who may be interested, we provide a referral fee if approved and a student is placed. Host families have an opportunity to create a relationship that could last a lifetime and with our years of experience and support, we can help you to mentor and create lasting memories. No experience necessary and host families receive enriching cultural and personal development and a monthly stipend of \$900 per student. Contact: Sandie or Jenny, Homestay Coordinators at homestay@sd69.bc.ca or jatkinson@sd69.bc.ca or [go to their website](#) for further info.

FORWARD HOUSE COMMUNITY SOCIETY - needs volunteers. Are you looking for volunteer experience? Are you available for 4 hours each week? Forward House provides mental health & addiction support to adults in Parksville. Forward House volunteers are caring and compassionate individuals who actively want to make a difference in people's lives. If you have a few hours to spare each week and would like to find out more or apply to volunteer with us, please visit <https://www.forwardhouse.com/volunteer> or email execdir@forwardhouse.com

KNOX CALENDAR May 30 – June 6, 2021

Sunday, May 30 Zoom Worship Service	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom
Monday, May 31 Staff Meeting Parksville Quilting Guild AGM	11:00 am – 12:00 pm 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Zoom Sanctuary/Zoom
Tuesday, June 1 Parksville Shores Tai Chi Gathering Place	9:15 am – 11:45 am 10:00 am – 11:00 am	Sanctuary Zoom
Wednesday, June 2 Bible Study	10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Zoom
Thursday, June 3 Parksville Shores Tai Chi	9:15 am – 11:45 am	Sanctuary
Friday, June 4		
Saturday, June 5		
Sunday, June 6 Zoom Worship Service	10:00 am – 11:00 am	Zoom

[For the monthly calendar click here](#)