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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

WEEKLY OFFERING – If you are financially able, please continue to support our faith community through this challenging time via your PAR givings or by signing up for PAR through the Envelope Steward, 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.

As Provincial and Regional Regulations have outlined, the minister and staff will be returning to the church to work. Due to limited resources because of the pandemic, our support staff's hours have been reduced and Jane and Karen will continue to be working 15 hours each. Jane will be in the office **Mondays from 9:30-Noon** and the office will be open during those hours for phone calls and access to the church. Karen will be working Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9:30-Noon. Jennifer will be available in the office Monday through Thursday most days between 9:00-4:00 pm and for pastoral emergencies beyond these hours. She is also permitted to meet one on one for spiritual guidance abiding within all the recommended protocols.

Zoom Worship Meeting ID 812 7823 4982, Passcode 261349, Link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81278234982?pwd=WG1NVTJyMngxa3ppKzgyV0hBeTJ3QT09

IN-PERSON AND ZOOM WORSHIP 10:00 am
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KNOX UNITED CHURCH

July 4, 2021

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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* Donna White, *Guest Musician*
Karen *Freeman, Facility Coordinator* Leslie Hawley, *Visual Arts*
Caroline Hammill, Alex & Chelsea McDonald, *Singers*
Shirlene Donnelly, *Scripture Reader*

Welcome to Worship at Knox! We extend a warm welcome to all who are a part of our community of faith, those who are joining us virtually, and those who are seeking a new church home. May you receive what you need today and sense the presence of the Spirit of God moving among us. Our thanks to all those who have participated in today's service.

REGIONAL PRAYERS – We pray for the congregation and shared Anglican-United ministry of St. John Gualbert in Port McNeill.

FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PEOPLE AND LANDS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

MEDITATION SLIDE AND CENTERING MUSIC

HYMN: DRAW THE CIRCLE WIDE 145MV

REFRAIN: Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still,
let this be our song, no one stands alone,
standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

God the still-point of the circle, 'round whom all creation turns,
Nothing lost but held forever, in God's gracious arms. Refrain:

Let our hearts touch far horizons, so encompass great and small,
Let our loving know no borders, faithful to God's call. Refrain:

Let the dreams we dream be larger, than we've ever dreamed before,
Let the dream of Christ be in us, open every door. Refrain:

CENTERING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Ancient Sayings, John 11:17-47, 53-54

REFLECTION

HYMN: CIRCLE OF FRIENDS. w/m by Jim Manley

Come and sit together in a circle of friends
Be at home, be at peace, be at rest.
Come and sit together in a circle of friends,
Sitting in a circle is best.

Refrain: Laugh (laugh), Cry (cry), Live (live), Die (die),
Hello (hello), Good-bye (good-bye)
And God make us a circle of friends.

Somewhere it is evening and the woods fill up with moonlight.
The creatures makes their music and the word is on the wind.
There's a fire in the clearing and the voices you are hearing
are the singing of a circle of friends. Refrain:

Once when it was evening and he sat with them at supper.
He told them that this feast was the beginning and the end.
And he made the bread his body and he made the wine his blood
And he gave them to his circle of friends. Refrain:

Somewhere it is morning and the church fills up with sunlight
The Spirit's in the music and the word is on the wind.
There is fire on the table and the bread and wine are speaking
and God make us a circle, and may God keep us a circle,
and may God keep us a circle of friends.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The singing bowls invites us into prayer…

SUNG RESPONSE: 14MV
Where 2 or 3 are gathered in my name, I am there, I am there. (repeat)

LORD'S PRAYER (spoken)

COMMUNITY SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

HYMN: BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS 602VU

Blest be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love,
the unity of heart and mind is like to that above.

We share each other's woes, each other's burdens bear,
And often for each other flows, the sympathizing tear.

This glorious hope revices, our courage on the way,
That we shall live in perfect love, in God's eternal day.

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Today we offer our gratitude to Keith and Gayle Haughn who have been members of Knox United Church for several years. In their time here, Gayle has brought her gifts of humour, fun, organization, wisdom, grounded practicality, affability and warm compassion to the Nominations Team, her leadership of Sisters United, and as Team Lead for the Ministry of Fun, Food, Family and Friends, organizing Dinner on the Go and a Western Dance. Even in this time of COVID, Gayle has worked hard with others to keep us connected through Happy Hour, Mardi Gras, a Car Rally, and The Gathering Place. Keith has been her quiet strength and support. We will miss you both and wish you joy and friendship as you reunite in Saskatoon with your family and friends. We look forward to you wintering with us!!!