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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.

STAFF HOURS - As Provincial and Regional Regulations have outlined, the minister and staff are returning to the church to work. Due to limited resources because of the pandemic, our support staff's hours have been reduced. Jane and Karen will be working 20 hours each beginning Sept 1. The office will be holding office hours Monday through Thursday 9:30-Noon. Jennifer will be available in the office Monday through Thursday most days between 9:30-4:30 pm and for pastoral emergencies beyond these hours. The minister is also able to meet one on one for spiritual guidance abiding within all the recommended protocols. Please make appointments with her before to ensure a time to meet.

WORSHIP 10:00 am

KNOX UNITED CHURCH

September 5, 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.

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Jane Williams, *Administrator*
Karen *Freeman, Facility Coordinator*
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Rev. Dr. M. Bruce McIntyre, *Minister Emeritus*
Kris Epps, *Musician*
Leslie Hawley, *Visual Arts*
John Thompson, 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 health and well-being of all those returning to school this year for study or work.

In body or in spirit, please stand as you are able where indicated (*)

LESSONS FROM LASSO:
IT ALL WORKS OUT

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

WELCOME AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PEOPLE AND LANDS

COMMUNITY TIME

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***HYMN: Oh a Song Must Rise** **142MV**

CENTERING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 50: 15-21, Romans 8:26-28

AND CONTEMPORARY READINGS

REFLECTION

***HYMN: I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry** **644VU**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
The singing bowls invites us into prayer…

LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

COMMUNITY SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

***HYMN: Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah** **651VU**

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Flowers have been placed in the Sanctuary today by Marlene Cmikiewicz in loving memory of her dear son, Glenn, and her dear friend Margaret Edwards who both passed in September 2016.

KNOX WELCOMES NEW MUSIC DIRECTOR!

This Sunday we welcome our new Music Director, **Kris Epps** who recently moved to Nanaimo from Montreal.

Over the past ten years, as an award-winning classical pianist, Kris Epps has devoted more and more time to accompanying vocalists and instrumentalists, conducting choirs and instrumental ensembles, as well as directing musical theatre productions. As the artistic director of Cantiamo Choral Ensemble in Montreal and the former assistant conductor of the McGill Choral Society, he has performed dozens of well-received concerts.

Kris holds a degree from the Faculty of Music at McGill University. He has studied with Dorothy Morton, Iwan Edwards, Lauretta Altman among others, and at the Golandsky Institute Symposium at Princeton University.

We extend a warm and enthusiastic welcome to Kris Epps as our new music director. Kris comes to us as an accomplished pianist, accompanist, and choral director with experience in both the United and Presbyterian churches in Montreal and in that community. His passion for music, choral singing, concerts, musical theatre, and spirituality, as well as his visionary and collaborative spirit, are a true gift to our church and Oceanside, and we are excited about Kris' presence among us. WELCOME!