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Chair: Don Emerson
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OUR NINE MINISTRIES:

Worship and Arts: Shirlene Donnelly
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Fun, Food, Family and Friends: Gillian Stewart
Communication: Marg Conn
Ministry and Personnel: Ray Walker, Rae Broda, Jeanette Mossing, Dana Goedbloed
Stewardship and Finance: Ron Pepper
Sacred Spaces: Ian Ward

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

WEEKLY OFFERING – If you are financially able, we invite you to support our faith community 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**, through the “**Donate**” tab on our website or before and after worship in the basket outside the front doors of the sanctuary or communion table.

STAFF HOURS - 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.

IN-PERSON/ZOOM WORSHIP 10:00 am

KNOX UNITED CHURCH

September 26, 2021

345 Pym Street, Parksville, BC, V9P 1C8
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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* Kris Epps, *Music Director*
Karen Freeman, *Facility Coordinator* Leslie Hawley, *Visual Arts*
Sandy Machan, *Tech* Diane Burrough, *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 – Prayers for Rev. Sarah Fanning and the congregation of Campbell River United.



**LESSONS FROM LASSO:
We Are Never Alone**

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

*Please stand if you are able

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

WELCOME AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PEOPLE AND LANDS

COMMUNITY TIME

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*HYMN: Let Us Build a House 1MV

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of
grace;

Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong
and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign
anew.

Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and
stone

To heal and strength, serve and teach, and live the Word they've
known.

Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions
heard

And loved and treasured, taught and claimed, as words within the
Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of
grace;

Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

CENTERING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 43: 1-3a,4a, Matthew 18:19-20, Matthew 28:20b
A CONTEMPORARY READING (Blessing excerpt by John O'Donohue)

REFLECTION

HYMN: **YOU'LL NEVER WALK ALONE**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The singing bowls invites us into prayer...

SUNG RESPONSE:

Where 2 or 3 are gathered in my name,
I am there, I am there.

14MV

LORD'S PRAYER (sung

COMMUNITY SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

*HYMN: Like a Healing Stream 144MV

Like a healing stream in a barren desert,
Spirit water bringing life to dusty earth,
God is trickling through our lives as in a dream unfolding,
Promising revival and rebirth...like a healing stream.

Like a gentle rain on a thirsty garden,
Spirit water come to nourish tiny seed,
God is bubbling through the soil to coax a new creation,
Yearning for an end to want and need...like a gentle rain.

Like a river strong with a restless current,
Spirit water rushing on to distant shore,
God is carving out a channel in a new direction,
Calling for an end to hate and war...like a river strong.

Like a mighty sea reaching far horizons,
Spirit water with a love both deep and wide,
God is working in our hearts to shape a new tomorrow:
God will always challenge and provide!

like a mighty sea...
like a river strong...
like a gentle rain...
like a healing stream.

BLESSING

POSTLUDE