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**Communications: Marg Conn** 

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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 arranged through the office, 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 on the communion table.

**STAFF HOURS** - Jane and Karen are currently working 20 hours each. The office will be open Monday through Thursday from 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.

Zoom Worship Meeting ID 812 7823 4982, Passcode 261349, Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81278234982?pwd=WG1NVTJyMngxa3 ppKzqvV0hBeTJ3QT09

#### IN-PERSON/ZOOM WORSHIP 10:00 am



### KNOX UNITED CHURCH **December 5. 2021 FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT**



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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* Jane Williams, Administrator Karen Freeman, Facility Coordinator Sandy Machan, Tech

Rev. Dr. M. Bruce McIntyre, Minister Emeritus Kris Epps, Music Director Leslie Hawley, Visual Arts Jan Reinson. Reader

Welcome to Worship at Knox! We extend a very warm welcome to all who are a part of our community of faith, those who are joining us on zoom 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 are participating in today's service.

REGIONAL PRAYERS - Rev. Erin Sterling and the congregation of Cedar United



THE HOLY GIFTS OF THE CHRIST- CHILD: **PEACE** 

\*Please stand if you are able

PRELUDE

INTROIT: SHARE THE LIGHT arr. Stacey Nordmeyer

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY TIME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PEOPLE AND LANDS

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*HYMN: COME AND FIND THE QUIET CENTRE 374VU

Come and find the quiet centre in the quiet life we lead, Find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see All the things that really matter, be at peace and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace, God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, face to face, Making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun, Raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain, Let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain: There's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care, In the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

ADVENT CANDLELIGHTING Candle of Peace
Pieter and Moira Stubbings, Els Wilms and Brian Stubbings

PRAYER (Unison)

God of Peace.

Help us to breathe in your deep peace. May we receive the gentle and deep inner peace that Jesus offers each of us. May that quiet, inner stillness found at the centre of our souls, be a blessing to all our relationships. Amen.

ADVENT HYMN: Peace is a ribbon that circles the earth Giving a promise of safety and worth.

When God is a child there's hope in our song. The last shall be first, and the weak shall be strong,

And none shall be afraid.

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 9:1-7, John 14:27

**DESIDERATA BY Max Ehrmann** 

CHOIR ANTHEM: Come to the Light words and arr. Joseph M Martin

REFLECTION

**BLESSING OF THE PRAYER SHAWLS** 

HYMN: PUT PEACE INTO EACH OTHER'S HANDS

Put peace into each other's hands and like a treasure hold it, protect it like a candle flame, with tenderness enfold it.

Put peace into each other's hands with loving expectation; be gentle in your words and ways, in touch with God's creation.

Reach out in friendship, stay with faith, in touch with those around you. Put peace into each other's' hands: the Peace that sought and found you.

Put Christ into each other's hands, he is love's deepest measure; In love make peace, give peace a chance, and share it like a treasure.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The singing bowls invites us into prayer...

SUNG RESPONSE: Come and fill our hearts with your peace. 16MV

You alone, O God, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

Alleluia!

LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

959VU

173MV

COMMUNITY SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

\*CHRISTMAS MEDLEY

BLESSING

**POSTLUDE**