

Knox Presbyterian Church
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OUR MISSION

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we seek to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ
and be led by the Holy Spirit,
in worship, in daily life, and in serving God
as we serve our community and beyond*

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THE STORY

**Read the story. Experience the Bible.
Know God's Story and your own.**

LENT is a season that calls us:

to fast from discontent and to feast on gratitude;
to fast from anger and to feast on patience;
to fast from bitterness and to feast on forgiveness;
to fast from self-concern and to feast on compassion;
to fast from discouragement and to feast on hope;
to fast from laziness and to feast on commitment;
to fast from complaining and to feast on acceptance;
to fast from lust and to feast on respect;
to fast from prejudice and to feast on understanding;
to fast from resentment and to feast on reconciliation;
to fast from lies and to feast on the truth;
to fast from wasted time and to feast on honest work;
to fast from grimness and to feast on joy;
to fast from suspicion and to feast on trust;
to fast from idle talk and to feast on prayer and silence;
to fast from guilt and to feast on the mercy of God.

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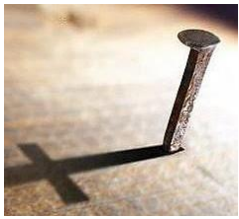
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LENT 2017





Sunday, March 26, 2017
Giving Up...
ENEMIES

** please stand as you are able*

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome, Announcements, Greeting

We Prepare to Worship...in story

We Prepare to Worship...in song

"Ten Thousand Reasons" (Redman)

"He Will Hold Me Fast" (Merkel)

We Prepare to Worship...in prayer *the Bible is carried in*

TO WORSHIP GOD

Call to Worship *insert*

* Response *"Blest Are They Who Trust" (Hopson/Orthodox chant)*

*Prayer of Approach, Confession; The Lord's Prayer
 The Good News of God's Mercy and Forgiveness *sung*
"Deep Within" (Haas)

*Hymn of Praise *"Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"*
(Tomlin/Newton)

We Profess What We Believe *The Apostles' Creed*



Fourth Sunday In Lent

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Children's Time

*Song *"This Little Light of Mine" (Traditional Spiritual)*

We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Scripture *1 Samuel 24:1-22 (p. 243)*

Psalm 62 (p.468) (with sung refrain)

Matthew 5:38-48 (p. 783)

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

Hymn *"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" (Temple)*

Prayers of the People

Offering and Dedication

WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE

Hymn *"Holy Spirit" (Getty)*

We are Encouraged and Blessed by God

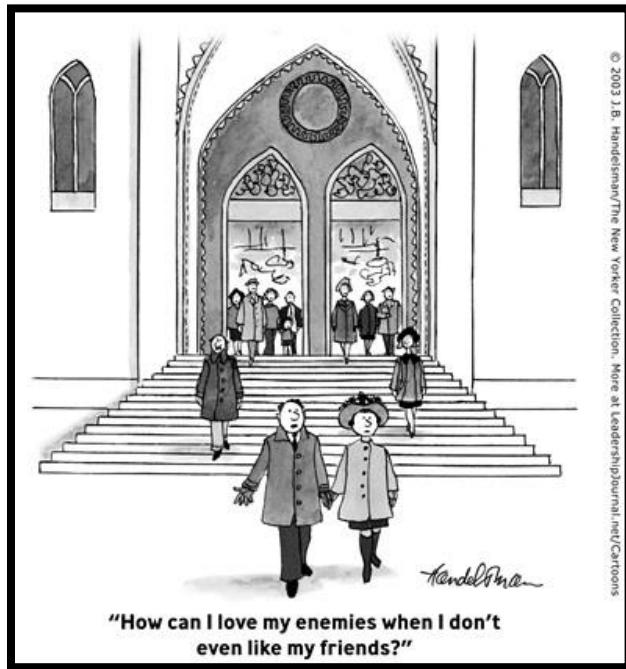
Benediction *"Go Now in Peace" (Besig and Price)*



AN EXTRA PLACE AT THE TABLE

This month and next, Contact House is in need of any of the following items:

canned fish, tuna, salmon, canned meat, canned fruit, jellos, puddings, soda crackers and juice boxes for kids' lunches. On the non-food side: toilet paper, shampoo, empty dish soap/laundry soap containers.



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WELCOME!

Hi there! We're glad you're here today! If it's your first time, or first time in a long time, or you're here all the time, we hope you'll be encouraged: to think, to explore, to believe, to become, to take a step on the journey of life and faith with greater hope and a deeper desire to serve. You'll find more about worship on the next page – if you have any questions, please ask the person who greeted you at the door! At KPC, you are among friends...God's grace and love abide...so come as you are, and come to know something about the life and love of Jesus and the presence of God's Spirit with us always and everywhere!

LEN 

We are in the season of **LENT**, 40 days of walking with Jesus Christ towards the cross. Our theme this year is **GIVING UP** a familiar phrase in relation to Lent. We think of giving up chocolate, or Facebook, or dessert. But what would God have us give up for Lent? for life? Join us week by week as we practice a different kind of **GIVING UP**. This morning: **GIVING UP ENEMIES**

A Word About Worship...



You are welcome here. Really. You are among friendly people who care, who aren't perfect, but are on a journey of faith. If you are a guest, we don't expect you to give an offering; if you wish to do so, we're grateful. Join us for refreshments downstairs after worship. We hope you are blessed by being here, and that you'll come again!



KID CONNECTION welcomes all children! Come up front for the children's time; parents welcome, too! Then join the group and head downstairs after the children's song. Children will rejoin us for the closing song. Feel free to accompany your child downstairs and then return for the message once they are settled. **NURSERY** ministry for those under school age is available downstairs as well.

Washrooms are at the back entry and in the downstairs hall; **baby change stations** are located in the back entry washroom and just off the front entryway.



We have hearing assistance devices available. Just ask a greeter or the staff at the sound booth at the back.

Please join us for refreshments and conversation following worship! Head downstairs after the service – You'll be welcome! Apple juice and bottled water are available on the back table by the front entry door.



Hospitality is important for everyone who comes to KPC! Be sure to welcome one another! As one wise pastor said, "On Sunday morning at church, greet your friends and visit with the visitors!"

THIS WEEK:

Greeters: Kristyn Wilson & Family; Tom & Jenny Sangster

Children's Greeter:

Nursery Ministry:

NEXT WEEK:

Youth Group Snack: Kristyn Wilson

Greeters:

Children's Greeter:

Nursery Ministry:



women's ministry

**LEGACY CENTRE, THEDFORD Saturday,
May 6 10.00 a.m.**

Guest speaker CAROL KENT. author of "When I Lay My Isaac Down" and "Between a Rock and a Grace Place"
Carol and her husband Gene lived in Port Huron, MI, until a phone call changed their lives forever. A powerful story of living faithfully when things don't work out the way you thought they would. Tickets \$35.

Available from Brenda Stewardson, Teresa Bakker
or at Ravell Insurance, Forest

What's Happening

Sunday 7.00 p.m. Session members to Presbytery Area Meeting in Watford

Monday 7.00 p.m. Paint Night!

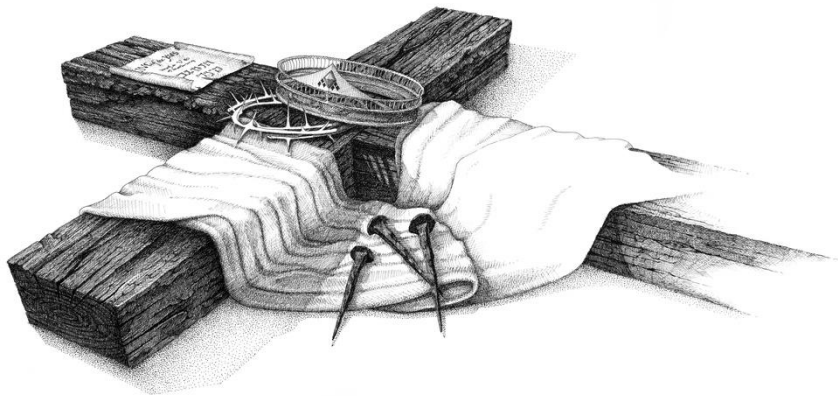
Tuesday 1:30 -3:30 Knox Knitters
7.00 p.m. Grief Share

Wednesday 7.00 p.m. Water's Edge

Saturday 9.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. Kids and Communion

Sunday 9.30 a.m. Worship and KID CONNECTION

GIVING UP “SELF”



small
groups
connect | grow | serve

THE BROKEN WAY
Small Group Study on Ann Voskamp's
new book! 6 sessions
Starts **MAY 10** afternoons 1.30 – 3.00 p.m.
evenings 7-8.30 p.m.

PAIN. HEARTACHE. BROKENNESS.
THEY'RE THE BEGINNING, NOT THE END.

Live a life that is fearless of brokenness. [Learn More](#)

Darkness
CANNOT DRIVE OUT DARKNESS
ONLY LIGHT CAN DO THAT.
HATE CANNOT DRIVE OUT HATE
ONLY *love* CAN DO THAT.
-MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.



Grounded in Faith.
Growing to Serve.

We are thankful, we are excited, we are doing the work needed for a shovel to go in the ground this spring! The paperwork necessary to go to denominational headquarters has been sent. Next, the forms for the municipality will be completed. Seeking quotes is in the works. God is faithful, we are grateful! Your prayers and support have been inspiring. **A reminder that the initial pledges (due March 31) are to be marked GTS – Initial Pledge on the OTHER line of your envelope. Regular givings to GTS should be marked GTS – Regular. Thank you!**

Lambton Lightning a fastball team for youth in our community! The teams are looking for donations to assist with uniforms, registration etc. If you wish to donate, just mark an envelope with “baseball” and we will pool the donations to give the team. Some of our youth group members play on the team.

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

9.30 – 11.00 A.M.

KIDS AND COMMUNION

AN EVENT FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN TODDLERS TO GRADE 8 ABOUT THE MEANING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER. HANDS ON. FUN AND FAITH-FULL!

MUFFINS, FRUIT AND JUICE SUPPLIED.



**WELCOME
TO THE TABLE**

**BUILDING PROJECT
UPDATES**