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OUR MISSION

*At Knox Presbyterian Church,
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.**



Sunday, November 19, 2017
“180 ° TURN “AROUND

** please stand as you are able*

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome, Announcements, Greeting

We Prepare to Worship...in story

We Prepare to Worship...in song

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)” (Newton/Tomlin)

“The Heart of Worship” (Redman)

We Prepare to Worship...in silent prayer

TO WORSHIP GOD

Call to Worship *from I Corinthians1, Ephesians1, Romans 11*

One: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
 and the love of God,
 and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**ALL: All praise and glory be Yours, O God,
 for the richness of Your grace,
 for the splendour of Your gifts,
 for the wonder of Your love.**

One: Oh, how great are God’s riches and wisdom
 and knowledge!

**ALL: How impossible it is for us to understand
 His decisions and His ways!**

One: For everything comes from the Lord
 and exists by His power and is intended for His glory.

ALL: All glory to God forever! Amen.

Response *“More Precious than Silver” (DeShazo)*

*Prayer of Approach and Confession; The Lord’s Prayer
 Good News of God’s Mercy and Forgiveness

*Hymn of Praise *“To God be the Glory” (Crosby)*

The Basics of our Faith *The Apostles’ Creed*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

For Younger Worshippers

*Song *“Take O Take Me As I Am” (Bell)*

We Prepare to Hear God’s Word

Scripture *Isaiah 42:5-9 (p. 585)*

Psalms 25 (sung – insert)

Philippians 3:1-14 (p. 959)

Message

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*Hymn *“Jesus All for Jesus” (Mark) “Be Thou My Vision”*

Prayers of the People

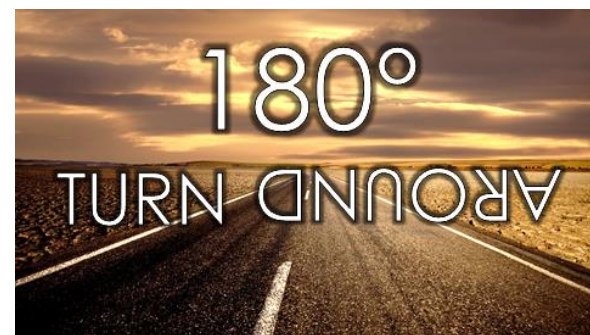
Offering and Dedication

WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE

*Hymn *“For the Cause” (Getty)*

We Receive God’s Blessing

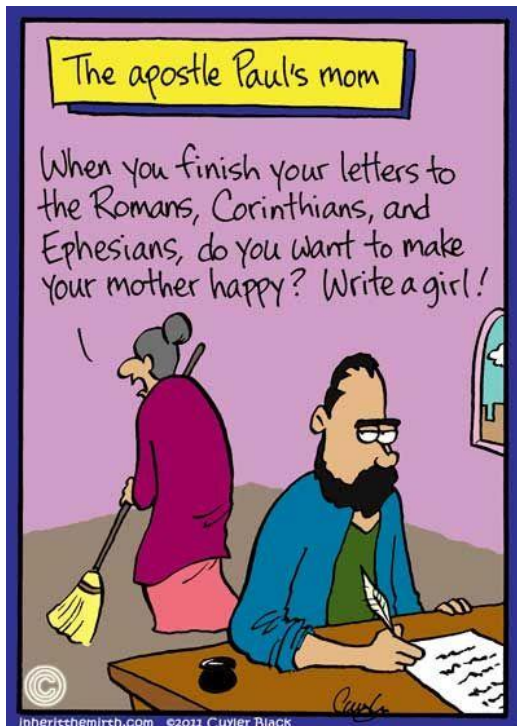
Song *“Go Now in Peace” (Besig & Price)*



AN EXTRA PLACE AT THE TABLE

This month and next, Contact House is in need of any of the following items: as we head into the holiday season, think of holiday meal items: stove top stuffing, canned cranberry sauce, gravy, vegetables, along with Christmas napkins and paper/plastic tablecloths. There is a shortage of macaroni and spaghetti, dish soap, laundry soap and plastic bottles to divide larger quantities of soap up.

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We're so 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, know you are welcome here! 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 the Risen Lord Jesus and the presence of God's Spirit with us always and everywhere!

THE STORY continues! And for one man, **THE STORY** continued in a whole new direction...a **180° TURN AROUND** of his life, his purpose, his greatest goals and his deepest desires. Right down to his name – which went from Saul to Paul...all because of the grace of Jesus Christ! Be encouraged, be challenged, be transformed by this story as God works in you!



A Word About Worship...

WELCOME

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!"



GREETERS

THIS WEEK: Jennings family; Frank & Mary Turner

NEXT WEEK: Marion Tilford, Sonia Stanojevic, Herman and Eleanor Beintema

Children's Greeter: Laurie Brown

Youth Group Snack: Kristyn Wilson

NEWS & NOTES



Grounded in Faith.
Growing to Serve.

Basement walls are up; framing should start this week, and Bethlehem moved into place. Thank you for your patience as we get through this "messiest" stage of the project!

Building
To Serve

A decorative graphic consisting of a white cross shape overlaid on a red brick-like pattern.



After Rev. Mr. Scott travelled from London, and began visiting the new settlers in 1851. His tireless work led to the beginnings of a church. The first meeting of Presbyterians in

Bosanquet Township to have a settled minister was held in 1854 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McInnis. It was decided that weekly services could be held in the school house on Lot Fifteen, the 1st Concession.



- Tuesday 1:30 -3:30 Knox Knitters
- 4.00 – 5.30 Junior Youth Grades 6-8
- 7.00 p.m. Water’s Edge
- Wednesday 1.30 p.m. Life’s Healing Choices study
- Thursday 7.00 p.m. Session
- Sunday 9.30 a.m. Worship and KID CONNECTION



THE STORY Ch. 31

THE END – OR THE BEGINNING?
God’s Vision for a New Heaven and New Earth

The Baptism of Lucy Van Dam

COMING SOON

- o Session Meeting Thursday, November 23 7.00 p.m.
- o THE STORY series will finish on November 26; we will also celebrate the baptism of Lucy Van Dam that Sunday.
- o Youth Groups to Sarnia Sting Teddy Bear Toss game December 3 2.00 p.m.
- o and our ADVENT CHRISTMAS preparations will start! ADVENT begins December 3. Our worship theme this year:

3:16

The Numbers of Christmas

We’ll be looking at John 3:16 week by week, with a children’s series called “Christmas Countdown!”

Some dates to reserve:

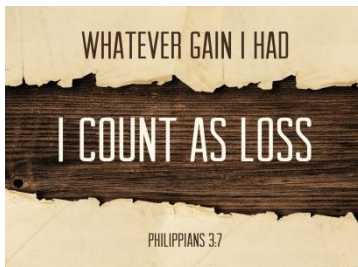
- December 6 Knoxettes Christmas Pot-Luck at Widder Court at 6:00 P.M. open to all women in the church!
- December 20 Living Nativity
- December 21 A Quiet Christmas
- December 24 Morning – Advent 4
- Christmas Eve 5.30 Christmas treats
- 6.00 Candlelight Service



Session has agreed to have KPC become a monthly partner with INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION. We will be giving \$50 per month to the very worthy ministry. We will watch a short video this morning describing the work of IJM. IJM works all over the world to help free people from slavery, particularly women and children, and young children who are victims of sex trafficking and exploitation.

IJM

IJM's Canadian office is in London, ON. If anyone is interested (especially if you did not do a shoebox this year) we can help with **defending widows and orphans** who often lose everything to debt, through property grabbing and the greed of others who prey on the vulnerable. \$60 can help one such family be rescued from violence, win back what was stolen, and make sure they are safe enough to thrive again. IJM will help each widow get back on her feet to provide for her family and make sure orphans are cared for and that their rights are protected as they grow up. Your gift will be designated to IJM Canada's Property Grabbing Projects. Perhaps as a congregation we could donate towards helping 3 widows and their children, with gifts to total \$180.00. We do not want to put undue pressure on our congregation at a time when people are being incredibly generous, but also feel very keenly the immense needs of others in danger who are so vulnerable. Just mark any gift you may offer IJM on your envelope, or in a separate envelope. Thank you. Go to www.ijm.ca to learn more.



CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

This annual opportunity to serve local families in need will begin soon!

