

## + + + + + + + + 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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# JUST CHURCH... OR JUST A CHURCH?

\*please stand as you are able

#### **THE CHURCH GATHERS**

Welcome!

We Prepare to Worship...

In a story

In song "Shout to the North" (Smith)

"Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord" (Baloche)

In silent prayer

#### **TO WORSHIP GOD**

Call to Worship Psalm 107, 106

One: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good!

His faithful love endures forever.

Has the LORD redeemed you? Then speak out!

ALL: Praise the LORD, the God of Israel, who lives from everlasting to everlasting!

The Lord has redeemed my life! Let all the people say, "Amen!"

Praise the LORD!

\*Response "Step by Step" (Beaker)

\*Prayer of Approach and Confession, The Lord's Prayer

Assurance of God's Love and Mercy

\*Hymn of Praise "O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (Wesley)

\*The Basics of our Faith The Apostles' Creed

#### **GOD SPEAKS TO US**

For Younger Worshippers

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

We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Scripture *Micah 6:6-8 (p. 752)* 

Luke 4:16-21 (p. 833)

Psalm 10 (p. 444)

Message

#### **WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

\*Hymn "For the Cause" (Getty)

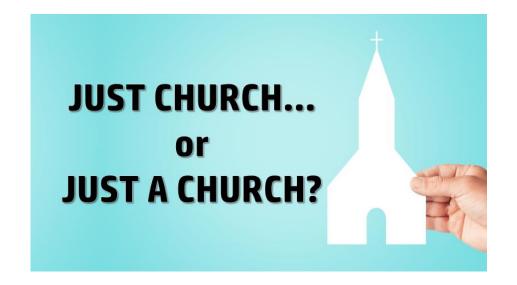
Prayers of the People Offering and Dedication

#### WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE

\*Hymn "Days of Elijah" (Mark)

We Receive God's Call and Blessing

Closing Song "Go Now In Peace"







#### AN EXTRA PLACE AT THE TABLE

It's time to start collecting items for Christmas!

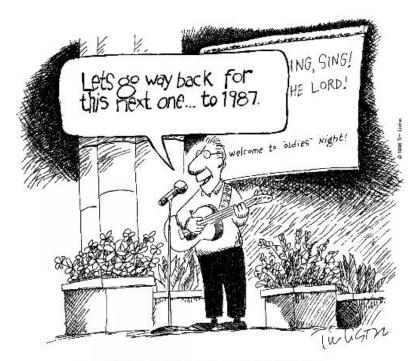
Cranberry sauce (canned), stuffing mix, canned vegetables,

Canned gravy, gravy mix, Christmas theme napkins,

tablecloths, paper plates, cups, napkins



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"Oldies Night" at the contemporary church.

### WELCOME!

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!

This morning, we are pleased to welcome Scott Forbes, from the London, ON office of IJM (International Justice Mission), an agency our church supports. Scott and his wife Karen live in London, and have four children. Scott has worked in Zambia, with particular concerns for the AIDS crisis and the children left orphaned. He has served as a church planter, youth worker, helped found Kids Alive Canada, teacher and leader in church and business. Scott is the eastern Canada rep for IJM, a ministry that secures justice for victims of slavery, sexual exploitation and other forms of violent oppression. IJM lawyers, investigators and aftercare professionals work with local governments to ensure victim rescue, to prosecute perpetrators and to strengthen the community and civic factors that promote functioning public justice systems.



#### 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 to KID CONNECTION after the

children's song. Children will rejoin us for the closing song. Feel free to accompany your child to the classroom and then return for the message once they are settled. **NURSERY** ministry for those under school age is available 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. Apple juice and

bottled water are available on the back table by the front entry door.



Hospitality is important for <u>everyone</u> 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!" PLEASE NOTE:

Greeters, please arrange among yourselves for the back door to have a greeter after worship as well; thank people for coming, and relay any messages to Pastor Chris.

#### THIS WEEK:

GREETERS: John & Debbie Gilliard;

Steve & Jeanette Stellingwerff

CHILDRENS' GREETER: Kim & Logan Arnel

YOUTH GROUP SNACK: Ruth Hughes NURSERY MINISTRY: Alice Francis

#### **NEXT WEEK:**

GREETERS: Herman & Eleanor Bientema;
Glenn & Helen McIntyre
CHILDRENS' GREETER: Opportunity to serve
NO YOUTH GROUP SNACK THIS WEEK
NURSERY MINISTRY: Opportunity to Serve







"VIEW FROM THE PEW"

November 18: Scott Forbes from IJM in London will be our special guest!

November 25: ALL IN THE FAMILY – a sermon from I Corinthians 12, with a focus on how we welcome, include and love those who are 'differently-abled'

COMING IN ADVENT 2018 - December 2

THE WAITING ROOM What are YOU waiting for?





Tuesday 1.30 p.m. Knox Knitters – Board Room

4.00 p.m. Youth Group

Thursday 10 – 11 a.m. SENIORS COFFEE GROUP BOARD Rm.

Working with North Lambton Community Health Centre, we are pleased to host a weekly coffee group for any seniors who wish to come!

6.30 p.m. Water's Edge at Jesse & Chris's home

7745 Alfred Street, Port Franks

Part 7 of "CHRISTIAN" with Andy Stanley

Sunday 9.30 a.m. Worship and KID CONNECTION

"ALL IN THE FAMILY"





How blessed are we to help in Jesus' name! Julia Bakker has returned from Guatemala, and Loraine has landed in Nicaragua, each to serve others in love. We look forward to hearing their stories when they return! There is a prayer list for Loraine's trip available today at each entrance. We will arrange a time after worship to hear their stories!

#### DECEMBER 2

3.00 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

a fun gathering for our church family!



Join us to make your own simple Advent wreath, enjoy carolling around town, share potluck supper together, and have an old fashioned Christmas gathering with singing and recitations! Something for ALL ages!

# AN IJM STORY OF RESCUE IN MUMBAI, INDIA

One recent Saturday, IJM staff supported senior anti-human trafficking police on a rescue operation to free six girls and young women from exploitation in a notorious red-light district.

One 17-year-old girl's plight was immediately apparent, as she ran into the arms of a female police officer during the operation. She said her boyfriend had handed her over to a brothel three years prior and she had been moved around to several cities since.

No matter how many times she asked strangers for help, she remained trapped in a cycle of violence.

One other victim from India and four victims from Nepal all said they had followed the promise of good jobs in Mumbai, but instead were trafficked into this brothel—where they faced horrific violence and abuse.

"According to the victims, the accused brothel keeper would force them to attend up to 30 customers a day," says a social worker present on the rescue. "If they refused, the brothel owner would brutally beat and abuse them."

IJM and police had been investigating this case for weeks—searching for one of the minor girls in particular—but it took several attempts to move forward due to hectic religious festivals in Mumbai.

"We have noticed an increase in the demand for young girls for commercial sexual exploitation in brothels and red-light areas in the festive season," explains IJM's Melissa Walavalkar. "Thus we were even happier to have been able to assist the police in rescuing not just one but six victims from the brothel."

Anti-trafficking police arrested one female brothel keeper and are tracing two additional male suspects in the case. They have also ensured all six victims were moved to safety at a government shelter home where they can begin receiving protective care and rehabilitation.