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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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Sunday, December 30, 2018 "NO-FEAR-NEW-YEAR"

*please stand as you are able

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome! We Prepare to Worship... In a story In song *"The First Nowell" "The Holly and the Ivy"* In silent prayer

TO WORSHIP GOD

<u>Call to Worship</u> (*Psalm 107 and 103*) One: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

ALL: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name.

*Response *"Step by Step"*

*Prayer of Approach and Confession; the Lord's Prayer

Assurance of God's Love and Mercy

*Hymn of Praise "Ten Thousand Reasons" (Redman)

*The Basics of our Faith The Apostles' Creed



GOD SPEAKS TO US

For Younger Worshippers *Song "Go Now in Peace" (Sleeth) We Prepare to Hear God's Word Scripture Isaiah 43:1-5a (p. 586) Hebrews 13:8 Jude 24-25 (p. 1007) Message <u>WE RESPOND IN FAITH</u> *Hvmn "It is Well" (Spafford

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WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE

*Hymn *"He Will Hold Me Fast"* (Abershon & Merkel) 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



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!

It's our last Sunday worship gathering for 2018; by next Sunday, we will have begun a new year. While for many New Year's is a time of great celebration, parties and predictions, for many others it is a time of reflection, remembering the year past, and wondering what the next year will bring. There can be fear, anxiety, and uncertainty; and there can be a deeper trust in the God who is with us, regardless of calendar dates and clocks. This morning – God's promises for a **"NO-FEAR-NEW-YEAR"**



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 quest, 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 available throughout the building; on both levels of the addition, at the back entry, and in the hall downstairs, in the addition. There are **baby change stations** are located at the main street entryway, and in the main floor, new addition washroom and nursery area.



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!" <u>PLEASE NOTE</u>:

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

THIS WEEK:

GREETERS: Maryellen Brown; Marty & Dianne Brown CHILDREN'S GREETER: KIDS CHURCH:

NEXT WEEK: GREETERS: CHILDREN'S GREETER: KIDS CHURCH:





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MICAH 6:8



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