

TRUST IN THE **LORD**
WITH ALL YOUR
HEART **AND LEAN NOT**
ON YOUR OWN
UNDERSTANDING
IN ALL YOUR WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE
HIM **AND HE WILL**
MAKE YOUR
PATHS STRAIGHT
Proverbs 3:5-6

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, January 11, 2015

“OPEN”

* *please stand as you are able*

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome, Announcements, Greeting

We Prepare to Worship...in story

We Prepare to Worship...in song

“Be Glorified” (Fitts) “By Faith” (Getty & Townend)

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

TO WORSHIP GOD

Call to Worship *from Isaiah 25, 12; Jeremiah 17; Psalm 28*

One: Trust in the LORD always,

for the LORD GOD is the eternal Rock.

ALL: God has come to save me. I will trust in Him and not be afraid. The LORD GOD is my strength and my song

One: Blessed are those who trust in the LORD and have made the LORD their hope and confidence.

ALL: The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and He helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise Him.

* Response “Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord” (Baloche)

*Prayer of Approach and Confession, The Lord’s Prayer
God’s Grace and our Response

*Hymn of Praise “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” (Lyte)

We Profess What We Believe *The Apostles’ Creed*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Children’s Time

Song “My God is So Big!” (Traditional)

We Prepare to Hear God’s Word “Open Our Eyes, Lord”

Scriptures *Proverbs 3:5-6*

Psalm 115 (sung)

Acts 9:1-19 (p. 891)

Message

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*In Song “Take O Take Me as I Am” (Bell) “Holy Spirit” (Getty)

Prayers of the People

Offering and Dedication

WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE

*Hymn “I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me” (Traditional)

*The Lord Sends Us with His Blessing

*Song of Blessing “Go Now in Peace”



BE THE CHURCH



BELIEVE BELONG BECOME BE SENT

GOOD MORNING!

Welcome to Knox Church, to a family of faith that loves God and loves others! Thank you for coming to worship the Lord with us. We're glad to see you!

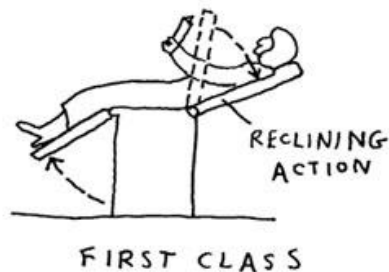
This morning we explore our theme for 2015:

“OPEN”

We will focus on a follower of Jesus who was “OPEN” to God – open heart, open ears, open mind, open hands, open attitude. His name was Ananias; his story isn't well known...but it is remarkable and makes a big impact on us, in another time and place. When we are “OPEN” to God – His work, His Word, His call, His character...and we trust...we will find life an amazing journey, filled with meaning and purpose. Are you, are we as a church “OPEN”?

PEWS

THE DIFFERENT CLASSES



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.

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! More information about worship and our church on the next page, and at our website www.kpcthedford.com

- *Orange juice and bottled water are available on the back table by the front entry door.*

Website www.kpcthedford.com

Check out  the website for a new edition of our bulletin, newsletter, and the announcements. There will be a few copies printed for those without computer access.

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Tuesday 1.30 p.m. Knox Knitters

4.00 p.m. Youth Group

7.00 p.m. Grief Share begins

Wednesday 7.00 p.m. Session meeting at Chris' home

Sunday 9.30 a.m. Worship and Kid Connection

Habakkuk

GOD IS CLOSER THAN HE APPEARS

*a new sermon series
on this short book with a big message
Ch. 1:1-11*



A group begins Tuesday, January 13, at 7.00 p.m. Please pray, take note, share and invite! All are welcome to attend and participate in this group that offers healing, hope, practical ideas and guidelines for walking the journey of grief.

We are looking for a team of prayer warriors who will commit to praying for the group each Tuesday...and any day in between. Please sign the list!



Your reading from "Deep and Wide" for this meeting is Ch. 12 and 13. Please come have read the material, and prepared for discussion and answering the questions Andy Stanley asks in these chapters. Thank you!

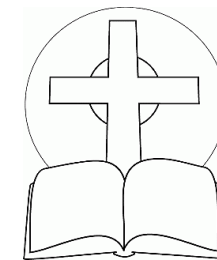
PRAYER SPACE – you are invited to our prayer space in the sanctuary before and after worship. The cross, a candle and some chairs are provided; Pastor Chris can pray with you after worship...just ask!

Hospitality important to everyone who comes to KPC! We'd love to have more help with greeters - a children's greeter and parking lot greeters! Lists are available for sign up.

Thanks!

NOTES FOR GREETERS:

- Please arrive at church at about 8.45 a.m.
- Parking lot greeters: safety vests are available in the closet by elevator. Please have one greeter at the driveway entrance, and one farther back by Bethlehem's barn, to guide and note where available spaces are.
- Door greeters: please take new guests into the sanctuary and help them find a seat, to ensure they feel comfortable and welcome, with no fear about 'taking someone's seat'.



**OPEN your Bible in 2015!
Pick up a copy of the "5X5X5"
reading plan today!**



Thank you from Contact House Food Bank
On behalf of the clients of Contact House Food Bank we would like to Thank everyone who helped in any way, whether through food, monetary or other donations , those who helped gather these donations and to those who helped with food drives to replenish our shelves.

From January 1st 2014-October 31st 2014 there were 14,711 families who came for food, \$28,711.00 were spent to provide the food .This does not take into account the food donated. Without your generous donations there could be families going hungry.

For all your help we Thank You from the bottom of our hearts and wish you all a Happy and Holy New Year.

God Bless, TheVolunteers at Contact House

Our thanks to Bert Bebingh who faithfully gathers the donations from our blue bins and delivers them to Contact House each week!

Thanks for sharing.

It's GRILLED CHEESE DAY



at Bosanquet Central School January 19, 2015.

If you would be willing to help make grilled cheese for the school, and can donate a couple of hours that morning – from 9.30 –noon – please let Gail Johnson or Pastor Chris know.

The students eagerly look forward to Grilled Cheese Day, and the staff appreciate the generous support and help our church gives.

To all who helped plan, assemble, decorate and take down the Christmas decorations, inside and outside, and tidy up “Bethlehem”. Your help makes our sanctuary a beautiful space for worship and fellowship.