

OUR MISSION At Knox Presbyterian Church, we seek to glorify the Lord Jesus Christ and be led by the Holy Spirit,

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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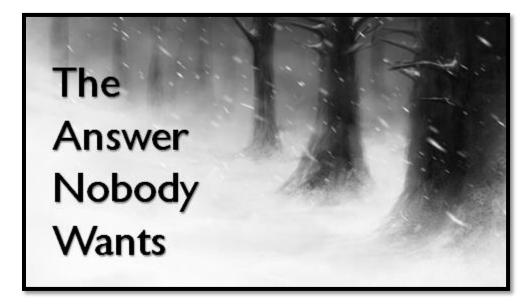
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Habbakkuk 1:1-11

Sunday, January 18, 2015

GOD IS CLOSER THAN YOU THINK

"The Answer Nobody Wants"

* please stand as you are able

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome, Announcements, Greeting

We Prepare to Worship...in story We Prepare to Worship...in song

"Shout to the North" (Smith) "By Faith" (Getty & Townend)

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

TO WORSHIP GOD

Call to Worship from Psalm 121, 102
One: I look up to the mountains—

does my help come from there?

ALL: My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth!

ONE: LORD, hear my prayer! Listen to my plea!

Don't turn away from me in my time of distress.

Bend down to listen, and answer me...

ALL: My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth!

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

*Hymn of Praise "All Creatures of our God and King"

(Francis of Assissi)

We Profess What We Believe The Apostles' Creed
A Question of Faith Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 9, 10b

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Children's Time

Song "Stand Strong" (Kingdom Rock VBC)

We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Scriptures *Psalm 55:1-11 (with refrain)*

Habakkuk 1:1-11 (p. 757) Romans 8:31-39 (p. 918)

Message

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*In Song *"Still My Soul Be Still"* (Getty)
Prayers of the People
Offering and Dedication

WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE

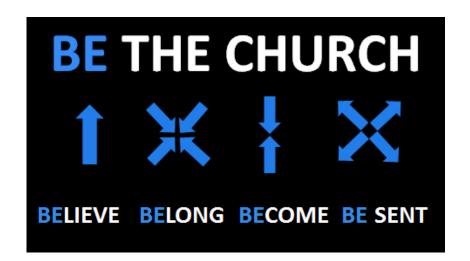
*Hymn "He Leadeth Me" (Gilmore)

*The Lord Sends Us with His Blessing

*Song of Blessing "Go Now in Peace"

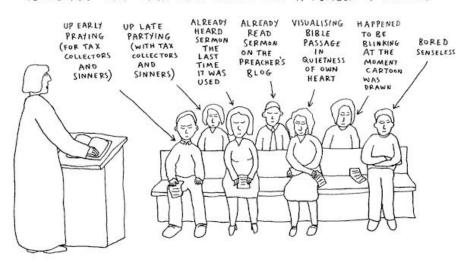


^{*} Response "Be Still and Know that I Am God" (Psalm 46)



THE SERMON

PEOPLE MAY HAVE THEIR EYES CLOSED FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS

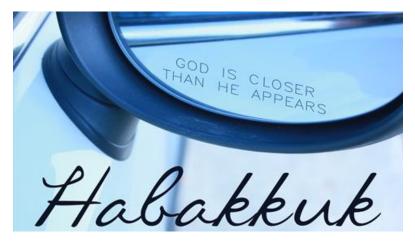


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WELCOME!

Good morning, and thanks for coming to Knox Church for worship! We're glad you're here. Please know you are welcome, no matter where you've been, what you are going through, or struggling to believe. We believe that the Lord is here, loves us, and will encourage us through praise, prayer and proclaiming His Word.

We're beginning a new sermon series today:



A small book, Habakkuk's message is a big one – for he gives voice to our questions and complaints about the troubles and terrible things that happen in our world. In the book, God also has a voice that speaks to Habakkuk and to us about who He is, and how we can trust him in the midst of the terrible – because He is closer than we can see. This morning, we'll be introduced to the prophet and his prayers – and the answer God gives – The Answer Nobody Wants...but an answer that is honest, true, truly needed.

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

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



A new worship opportunity!

Wednesday nights, 7–8 p.m.

at Chris & Jesse's home, 7745 Alfred Street in Port Franks

Starts February 4th.

Water's Edge is a worship opportunity we hope will offer something to those who:

- *want a more intimate opportunity for worship,
- * those who cannot attend worship on Sunday mornings (work, family commitments, school responsibilities),
- * those seeking a less formal gathering for worship (not that KPC is very formal!)
- *those seeking to understand and explore Christianity within a smaller group.

It's called Water's Edge because that is where people often gathered to hear Jesus, and be with Him; the 'water's edge' is a place of reflection, of spiritual awareness, for many people; and, on a geographical level because Port Franks is on the shores of Lake Huron! Looking forward to this new opportunity to worship and to serve.

Water's Edge will include some music, prayer and a reprise of the message from the previous Sunday.

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. <u>Thanks!</u>

NOTES FOR GREETERS:

- Please arrive at church at about 8.45 a.m.
- <u>Door greeters</u>: 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".



It's GRILLED CHEESE DAY TOMORROW 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.



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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Monday 9.30 a.m. Grilled Cheese Day at the school Tuesday 1.30 p.m. Knox Knitters
4.00 p.m. Youth Group
7.00 p.m. Grief Share
Sunday 9.30 a.m. Worship and Kid Connection

Habakkuk

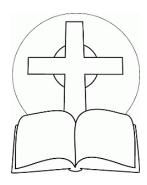
GOD IS CLOSER THAN HE APPEARS

NEXT WEEK: Ch. 1:12-2:1



Tuesdays, 7.00 - 8.45 p.m. We had a great group, and there's room for more. All are welcome to attend and participate in this group that offers healing, hope, practical ideas and guidelines for walking the journey of grief.

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!



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

A CORRECTION

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 1,426 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, The Volunteers 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!





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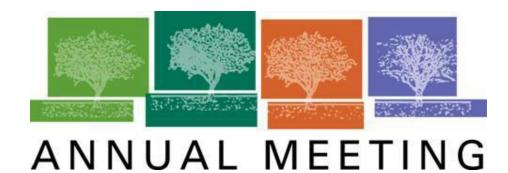
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