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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 12, 2017
"STILL STANDING"

** please stand as you are able*

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome, Announcements, Greeting

We Prepare to Worship...in story

We Prepare to Worship...in song

"The Stand" (Houston) "Lord, Be Glorified" (Fitts)

We Prepare to Worship...in silent prayer

TO WORSHIP GOD

Call to Worship from Psalm 57:9-11

One: I will thank You, Lord, among all the people.

I will sing Your praises among the nations.

ALL: For Your unfailing love is as high as the heavens.

Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

Be exalted, O God, above the highest heavens.

May Your glory shine over all the earth.

Response *"Glorify Your Name" (Adkins)*

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

Good News of God's Mercy and Forgiveness

*Hymn of Praise *"Be Still for the Presence of the Lord"*
(Evans)

The Basics of our Faith *The Apostles' Creed*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

For Younger Worshippers

*Song *"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" (Traditional)*

We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Scripture *Psalm 24 (p. 450)*

Acts 5:12-42 (p. 887)

Message

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*Hymn *"The Lord is My Salvation" (Getty, Nockels & Myrin)*

Prayers of the People

Offering and Dedication

WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE

*Hymn *"By Faith" (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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GOOD MORNING!

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! *The resurrection was just the beginning, a new beginning to what God was doing and planned to do – and is still doing. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, God created a people to tell the world and show the world the amazing love and redeeming power of God. That group stood strong by God's grace through hard times. That group is **STILL STANDING**...and we are part of it now: the Church of Jesus Christ, the people of God, empowered and encouraged by the Holy Spirit. Today just one of the amazing stories from the book of Acts, that will inspire us to be like Peter, John and the rest: **STILL STANDING**.*



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!"



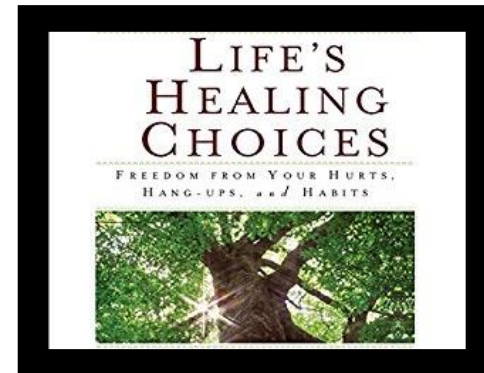
GREETERS

THIS WEEK: Ruth Slaughter, Ruth Hughes, Glenn & Helen McIntyre

NEXT WEEK: Jennings family; Frank & Mary Turner
Children's Greeter: Janessa O'Neill

Youth Group Snack: Sonia Stanojevic

NEWS & NOTES



WEDNESDAYS 1.30 p.m. at the church
7.00 p.m. Water's Edge

CHRIS IS SEEKING A MALE MENTOR FOR A GRADE 4 BOY AT BOSANQUET SCHOOL. ONE HOUR A WEEK IS THE COMMITMENT. PLEASE CONTACT HER IF YOU FEEL CALLED TO SERVE.

CHRISTMAS FOR EVERYONE will be using our church to register people for Christmas hampers for the next two weeks.



Grounded in Faith.
Growing to Serve.

Work is going well – cement poured and drying nicely; 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!



We have been given the cost for the project by Bakker Design and Build. Costs have gone up since our last congregational meeting, largely due to a steep increase in building supplies, due to heavy demand in the southern USA as a result of hurricane and flood damage. Our plans also now give us a better, safer building. The basic breakdown is as follows:

Grand Estimated total = \$517,500.00

HST= 67,589.00 (most HST will be refunded; \$21,000.00 not refunded).

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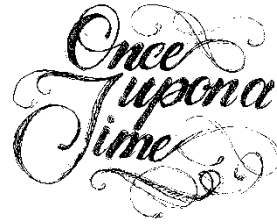
- 7,700.00 donated paint

\$509,800.00

- 15,000.00 donated by Bakker Design & Build

\$494,800.00 cost

We are grateful for the generous support received. THANK YOU!
any questions please see Catherine Minielly or Wendy Moffat.



In 1887, after much discussion and a close vote, a chapel organ was purchased for the church. Mr. Grattis was the first choir instructor, and may have been the first organist. In

1892, Miss M. Traver was hired as organist, at a stipend of \$6.25 cents every three months. Miss Munns became organist in 1893, as Miss M. Traver became Mrs. William Tudor. After a brief time adjusting to married life, Mrs. Tudor again sat on the bench at church organist. On February 27, 1907, the organist’s stipend was raised to \$50 per year.



Tuesday 1:30 -3:30 Knox Knitters

4.00 – 5.30 Junior Youth Grades 6-8

Wednesday 7.00 p.m. Water’s Edge

Thursday 4.00 High School Youth

Sunday 9.30 a.m. Worship and KID CONNECTION



THE STORY Ch. 29-30

PAUL:

The Unlikley Convert
who Led the Church

COMING SOON

- Session Meeting Thursday, November 23
7.00 p.m.
- THE STORY series will finish on November 26;
we will also celebrate the baptism of Lucy
Van Dam that Sunday.
- Youth Groups to Sarnia Sting Teddy Bear Toss
game December 3 2.00 p.m.
- 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 20 Living Nativity

December 21 A Quiet Christmas

December 24 Morning – Advent 4

Christmas Eve 5.30 Christmas treats

6.00 Candlelight Service

CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

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

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

are due today! Thank you!



IJM

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'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.