

“Jesus’s resurrection is the beginning of God’s new project, not to snatch people away from earth to heaven but to colonize earth with the life of heaven. That, after all, is what the Lord’s Prayer is about.”

— N.T. Wright

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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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CREED: Faith Words



*“I believe...  
in the life everlasting”*

November 22, 2015  
**CREED: FAITH WORDS**  
“ENDING OR BEGINNING?”

\* *please stand as you are able*

**THE CHURCH GATHERS**

Welcome, Announcements, Greeting

We Prepare to Worship...in story

We Prepare to Worship...in song

*“Yesu Azali Awa” (Traditional)*

*“Ten Thousand Reasons” (Redman)*

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

**TO WORSHIP GOD**

**Call to Worship** *(from Psalm 30)*

One: Praise the LORD, Praise His holy name!

His kindness brings life.

The night may be filled with tears,

but in the morning we can sing for joy!

**ALL: You have changed my sorrow into dancing.**

**You have taken away my sackcloth  
and clothed me with joy.**

**LORD, You lifted me out of the grave.**

**I was falling into the place of death,**

**but You saved my life.**

**You wanted me to praise you and not be silent.**

**LORD my God, I will praise You forever!**

\* Response *“Mighty to Save” (Fielding & Morgan)*

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

\*Hymn of Praise *“Come, People of the Risen King” (Getty)*

**GOD SPEAKS TO US**

A Question of Faith *from ‘Our World Belongs to God’*

Welcoming Madison DeJong to the Family of God

Children’s Time

\*Song *“Soon and Very Soon” (Crouch)*

**We Prepare to Hear God’s Word**

Scripture

Message

**WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

\*We Profess What We Believe *The Apostles’ Creed*

\*Hymn *“There is a Higher Throne” (Getty)*

Prayers of the People

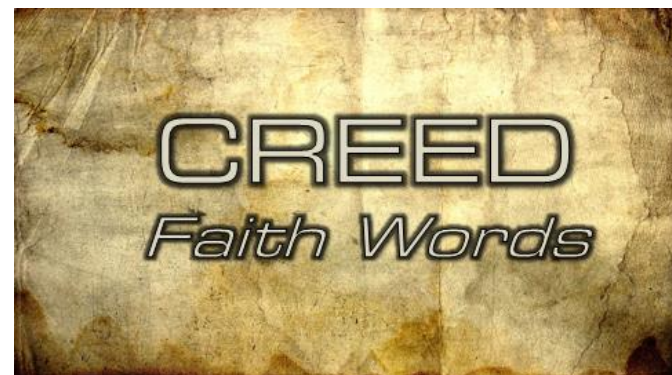
We Give our Tithes, Offerings and Lives

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

\*Hymn *“When the Roll is Called Up Yonder” (Black)*

\*The Lord Sends Us with His Blessing

\*Song of Blessing *“Go Now in Peace” (Besig & Price)*





**AN EXTRA PLACE  
AT THE TABLE for NOVEMBER**  
canned stew, soup (canned, dry or  
box), beans, tuna, ham, chicken

**CALLING ALL KIDS!**



**KID CONNECTION is for YOU!** Join us downstairs after  
the children's time and song for stories, crafts, faith  
and fun!

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UMM ... COULD YOU CHECK AGAIN UNDER  
MY MAIDEN NAME?

**WELCOME!**

*Thanks for coming to worship today; we're been looking forward to being together! If it's your first time here, or first time in a long time, or you're here all the time, we hope you'll be encouraged: to think, to explore, to believe, to become, to take a step on the journey of life and faith with greater hope and a deeper desire to serve. 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! 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 Jesus and the presence of God's Spirit with us always and everywhere!*

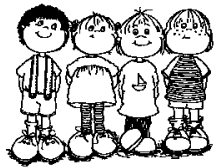
*We're completing our series "CREED Faith Words" about an ancient yet still standard summary of what Christians believe; a summary that is shared by Christians of every variety all over the world. We say these words each week in worship, to remind us of the 'basics' of the Christian faith. But we need to be reminded of what it all means, so it isn't just a rote repetition, but truly a confession of faith. Today, the ending of the creed...and the beginning of our everlasting life of faith, with God!*



## 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.

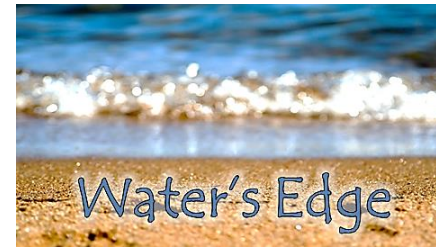
**Washrooms** are at the back entry and in the downstairs hall; **baby change stations** are located in the back entry washroom and just off the front entryway.



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.



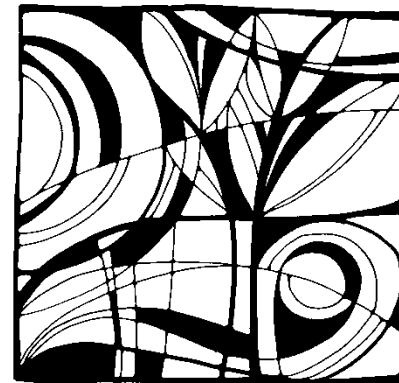
7-8 p.m. at Chris' home. An informal, faith-seeking gathering for anyone, any age, any stage of faith! We are currently doing "Starting Point" a thoughtful engaging series on faith with Andy Stanley.



Hospitality is important to everyone who comes to KPC! As one wise pastor said, "On Sunday morning at church, greet your friends and visit with the visitors!"

Please sign up to serve in this ministry... as a children's greeter, nursery care, youth group snack provider...thank you! Sheets for sign up are available today.

*We wait for new heavens*



*and a new earth where  
righteousness  
is at home.*



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## CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

We are helping several families this Christmas by providing wrapped new gifts. If you can assist, check the miniature Christmas tree at the back table, and the tags on that tree. Please select a tag, purchase and wrap the appropriate gift, and then attach the tag to the gift. there is a sign up list to ensure that tags taken are accounted for. Thank you so much for your generous help! Please bring gifts to the church, by November 29.



this week @ church

**Sunday** after worship coffee hour

**Tuesday** 1.30 p.m. Knox Knitters

4.00 p.m. Youth Group

7.00 p.m. Grief Share

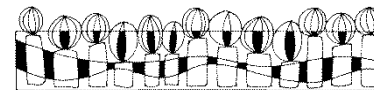
**Wednesday** 2.00 p.m. Christmas at the Movies gathering

7.00 p.m. Starting Point/Water's Edge

**Thursday** 1.30 p.m. Apprentices of Jesus

7.00 p.m. Christmas at the Movies gathering

**Sunday** 9.30 a.m. Worship & KID CONNECTION



First Sunday In Advent

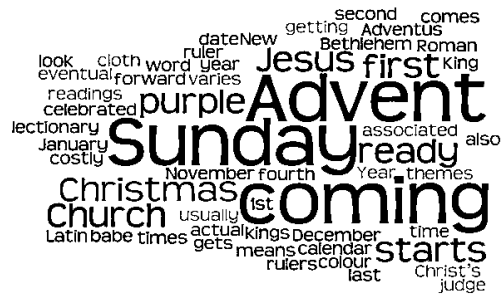
**CHRISTMAS AT THE MOVIES** starts!



**MIRACLE ON 34TH STREET:  
MIRACLE ON YOUR STREET**

*Remember to watch the movie this week at your home,  
or at Pastor Chris' home*

*Wednesday @ 2 p.m. or Thursday @ 7 p.m.!*



# COMING IN ADVENT, 2015!



## CHRISTMAS AT THE MOVIES

**ADVENT** starts next Sunday – a season of waiting, preparing to welcome Jesus Christ in our hearts, our homes, our lives, our community, our world! It’s always a special time here at KPC, and this year we have some new ‘traditions’ we’ll share with you, along with our long cherished traditions.



Next week, you’ll receive **Advent devotionals** for adults and kids. These will help you at home prepare and remember what the season is really about.



**A Quiet Christmas** – December 21, 7.00 p.m.  
**Living Nativity** – December 22, 7.00 p.m.



**THE WISH BOOK** – a Basel tradition Chris will share with us at KPC, writing our prayers, wishes and hopes for peace.



**LOS POSADAS** – A Latin American tradition that we will adapt in our church family, especially in a year of world wide concern for refugees, refugee children, and violence.

The Mary and Joseph figures from our knitted Nativity scene will travel from house to house, looking for shelter, through Advent up until Christmas Eve. They will be accompanied by a prayer card for you to use. You will arrange with the next host family to take Mary and Joseph and the prayer card to the next safe house. On Christmas Eve we will welcome Mary and Joseph to our church, and bring them to the safety of the stable. Please sign the calendar to host them in your home for a day/night.

JOIN US FOR A SERIES OF MESSAGES THROUGH  
ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS THAT WILL TAKE  
FAVOURITE CHRISTMAS FILMS AND FAVOURITE  
READINGS FROM THE BIBLE TO HELP US PREPARE TO  
WELCOME OUR SAVIOUR, CHRIST THE LORD!

- \*you can participate by letting Pastor Chris know what some of your favourite Christmas movies are!
- \* We will have a “CHRISTMAS AT THE MOVIES” gathering , where we’ll enjoy a showing of the movie featured in the following Sunday service. There will be a “matinee” at 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and an evening showing Thursdays at 7 p.m., all at Pastor Chris’s home. Popcorn supplied! We encourage you to watch the movie at home – on Netflix or borrowing the movie.
- \*we are looking for some items as we decorate the sanctuary: an old easy chair, a coffee table, a big bowl marked “popcorn”, some large size Christmas mugs, a Christmas quilt, a TV.
- \*we are also looking for some people willing to make some good old fashioned popcorn strings and cranberry strings to decorate our large Christmas tree.
- \*You can speak with Catherine Minielly, Julie DeJong and Jean Peters to assist with any of these things. **THANK YOU!**