

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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May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

Sunday, January 13, 2019

"HOPE SINGS"

*please stand as you are able

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome!

We Prepare to Worship...

In a story

In song "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

(Newton/Tomlin)

"We Will Feast in the House of Zion" (McCracken)

In silent prayer

TO WORSHIP GOD

Call to Worship based on Psalms 147, 131 and I Peter 1

One: Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God.

ALL: I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in His word I put my hope.

One: Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD.

ALL: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great hope!

*Response

"Your Name"

(Baloche and Packiam)

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

Assurance of God's Love and Mercy

*Hymn of Praise "Before the Throne of God Above"

(Bancroft/Cook)

*The Basics of our Faith The Apostles' Creed

GOD SPEAKS TO US

For Younger Worshippers

*Song "He Knows My Name" (Walker)

We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Scripture *Jeremiah 29:10-14 (p. 636)*

Psalm 33 (p. 454) Romans 15:1-13

Message

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

*Hymn "I Will Wait for You" (Getty)

Prayers of the People
Offering and Dedication

WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE

*Hymn "In Christ Alone" (Getty)

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



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STANDING AND SITTING



SEE WHETHER IT SAYS ANYTHING
IN THE SERVICE ROOK



LOOK OUT FOR SUBTLE HINTS
GIVEN BY THE CLERGY



WATCH TO SEE WHAT OTHER PEOPLE ARE DOING



IF IN DOUBT ADOPT
A 'MID WAY' POSITION

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WELCOME!

Welcome to worship! 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!

Years ago, Dionne Warwick sang, "What the world needs now is love, sweet love...". True. But in these troubled times, and in our own lives, perhaps what we need first and maybe most is...HOPE...a HOPE that SINGS. This morning, as we set our theme for 2019, we look at our word for the year: HOPE, and the scripture verse we will take to heart and mind about where we find HOPE!



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 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 elevator, and in the hall below the sanctuary. 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!" PLEASE NOTE: Greeters, please arrange among yourselves for the back door to have a greeter after worship as well; thank people for coming, and relay any messages to Pastor Chris.

THIS WEEK:

GREETERS: Wilson Family, Paul & Linda Willsie

CHILDREN'S GREETER:

NURSERY MINISTRY: opportunity to serve YOUTH GROUP SNACK: Pauline Matheson

NEXT WEEK:

GREETERS: Tom & Jenny Sangster, Phil & Marie Clark

CHILDREN'S GREETER: Connie Jamieson NURSERY MINISTRY: opportunity to serve YOUTH GROUP SNACK: NONE NEEDED

"For I know the PLANS
I have for you"
declares the LORD
"plans to PROSPER you
and not to harm you,
plans to give you
HOPE and a
FUTURE."



FREEDOM FAMILY DONATIONS

Our Advent-Christmas Mission Project to support families transition education from slavery to freedom raised \$2644.00!!! This is incredibly generous! Thank you so much! This means 7 families will have all the support they need to get work, manage finances, get their children in to school, and begin their lives again in freedom! Thanks be to God, and to you!



- Bible study Philippians
- On the Journey of Grief support group
- Small Group study "It's Not Supposed to be This Way" with Lysa TerKeurst
- Soul Care meetings with Pastor Chris





Tuesday 1.30 p.m. Knox Knitters 4.00 p.m. KPC Junior Youth

Thursday 10 - 11 a.m. SENIORS COFFEE GROUP BOARD Rm.

Working with North Lambton Community Health Centre, we are pleased to host a weekly coffee group for any seniors who wish to come!

Sunday 9.30 a.m. Worship and Children's Church
Steve Stellingwerff leading worship



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"IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE THIS WAY" BY LYSA TERKEURST Reality often ends us so very far from the life we long for,

doesn't it? Bible teacher Lysa TerKeurst deeply and personally understands daily disappointments and life-altering loss. By walking through her own valley, she's discovered that in God we can find unexpected strength as we wrestle well between our faith and feelings.

This 6 week study will begin on February 6, 1.30 -3.00 p.m. Study guides are available today, on the RESOURCE TABLE at each entry.

A Bible study, going through the book of Philippians, will begin on March 27,1.30-3.00 p.m. Bring a notebook and your Bible!

GRIEF SHARE begins on March 6, 7.00 p.m.

SOUL CARE mini-retreats will begin February 16; 8.30 – 10 a.m., in the Board Room. Refreshments (coffee, tea, juice and muffins/fruit will be provided.) We will meet once a month. If you want to experience some deeper faith practices, silence, journaling, listening, this gathering is for you! Contact Pastor Chris for more details.

Dear KPC Family,

With a thankful heart, I am taking a short break – a gift from the Session and Board. From January 14 – 28, I will be catching up on both rest and some personal tasks that need doing – and some extra family time! 2018 was a great year, but also a year with many pastoral and denominational responsibilities. I am feeling weary and know there are personal tasks weighing on my mind, and needing attention and action. I will fulfill a commitment to do youth group on Jan.15 (we have a special guest already booked) and a funeral on Jan.19, but other than that, will be available for critical pastoral care only. Steve Stellingwerff will lead worship on January 20, and Dianne Rice on January 27. I am grateful to them!

I am well, my brother is well, my family here are doing well. I am eager for what this year will bring, and how the Lord will guide us and be faithful. I am looking forward to this break, and will be eager to return to full time ministry with you on January 29!

Thanks to the elders and the Board for their care and support; thanks to you, our church family, for your prayers in this time.

