



## Knox Presbyterian Church *Thedford*

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**

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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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**Sunday, May 5, 2019**  
**RURAL LIFE SUNDAY**



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# “RISE AND SHINE”

*\*please stand in body or heart*

**THE CHURCH GATHERS** Welcome!

We Prepare to Worship...

In a story

In song “*How Great is Our God*” (Tomlin, Cash, Reeves)

In silent prayer

**TO WORSHIP GOD**

**Call to Worship** (from Psalm 147; 2 Peter 1:2)

One: Our help is in the name of our God,  
who made heaven and earth.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving.

**ALL: How good it is to celebrate God’s presence  
and sing praise throughout each day!**

**How good it is to give honour to our God!**

One: Our God rebuilds the people of earth.

The wandering ones are gathered together,  
the broken-hearted are healed, the hungry are fed,  
the prisoners are freed, the blind are given sight,  
the lonely are befriended.

**ALL: How good it is to give honour to our God!**

One: All of nature sings aloud the goodness of God—  
clouds, rain, grass, creatures great and small.

Our God creates and sustains our world  
with his ever-growing, never-ending love.

**ALL: How good it is to give honour to our God!**

One: Grace and peace be yours in abundance through  
the knowledge of God and of Christ Jesus, our Lord.

**ALL: Amen.**

\*Response “*Morning Has Broken*” (Farejon)

\*Prayer of Approach and Confession, The Lord’s Prayer  
Assurance of God’s Love and Mercy

\*Hymn of Praise “*Creation Sings the Father’s Song*” (Getty)

\*The Basics of our Faith *The Apostles’ Creed*

**GOD SPEAKS TO US**

For Younger Worshippers

\*Song “*All Things Bright and Beautiful*” (Babcock)

We Prepare to Hear God’s Word

Scripture *Psalm 62 (sung – insert) Selected scripture (insert)*

Message

**WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

\*Hymn “*Days of Elijah*” (Mark)

Prayers of the People

Offering and Dedication

**WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS, WE GO TO SERVE** *join us on the  
front lawn for our closing blessings on the Rural Life Sunday!*



## AN EXTRA PLACE AT THE TABLE

**Your donations of canned food, non-perishable items like cake mixes, mac and cheese, hamburger helper, juice boxes, dishwashing soap, cleaners etc. are most appreciated!**



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## Welcome to Worship at KPC!

*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!*

*Our worship service is set early – you need to “rise and shine” to be here at 9.30 a.m. on a morning when many prefer to sleep in! Beyond alarm clocks, the time and place where we live, where God has placed us, need Jesus followers who are ready to “rise and shine” with hope and light for a dark world. On this Rural Life Sunday, we're seeking the encouragement and grace of the Spirit to “rise and shine” and bless our community!*



## 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 entry, 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 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!" 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: Archie & Kathy Donald, Bob & Connie Jamieson

Children's Greeter:

Youth Group Snack: NO YOUTH GROUP THIS WEEK

### NEXT WEEK:

Greeters: John & Debbie Gilliard; Mary Lou Glenn

Children's Greeter:

Youth Group Snack:



## Here's what's happening!

Pastor Chris is away this week on retreat in Boston.  
You can leave a message on her cell phone if needed.

Tuesday 1.30 p.m. Knox Knitters

Wednesday 7.00 p.m. GRIEF SHARE (Board Room)  
8.00 p.m. Hope and Freedom (NA group)  
Downstairs Hall

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 KID CONNECTION  
**CHRISTIAN FAMILY SUNDAY**  
Mother's Day  
**FORGOTTEN GOD: HOLY SPIRIT week 1**  
**"COMMUNITY"**

Shine  
as lights  
in the  
world.

Philippians 2:15



COMING

SOON!

**RURAL LIFE SUNDAY – May 5** Join us for our annual service of celebration and blessing for our farm families and the earth God has entrusted to our care.

*Mother's Day – Christian Family Sunday – May 12*  
*A service about the importance of a family of faith!*

**HOLY SPIRIT – a message series about the 'forgotten God' – who gifts and blesses, guides and sustains us in HOPE!**

**DAVID – MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART**

*a worship series that looks at the life of David, the shepherd boy who became a king – and whose life gives us hope, because of God's grace!*

PHILIPPIANS Bible study – let's dig in to God's Word as we go through one of Paul's letters from prison, that is also his most joyful letter. Need some hope and encouragement? Come to this study....we've just begun, and you can fit right in!



## ***FAITH JOURNEY BELONG to BELIEVE***

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