

A Note from Rev. Clinton Roberts

Resurrection...

Like the bite of a lion clamping down on our throats, Chicago winters grip us beyond anything rational, until we doubt even our former experience of summers past. "Summer? What's that?" Last week I saw a guy riding his motorcycle with no socks on. It was forty-two degrees. That's what happens when the lion's chokehold cuts off the flow of blood to the brain...

But then it happens. There's nothing subtle about it. Nothing incremental. No logical progress of getting from "A" to "B". Around here, the grass turns emerald in a matter of hours, up-ending grey vistas with absolute green. Talk about pulling the lawn up from under our feet: "Shazaam! Hooray! Get out the Toro!"

On that first Easter, the women (who accepted Jesus' death more readily than the men) came to anoint his lifeless body. What they encountered was the absolute reversal of all that they expected, like the turning of winter to summer, midnight to morning, hatred to love. "Why do you seek the living among the dead?" spoke the angels. "Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise?"

Resurrection, like spring, is something that must be experienced. It isn't propositional. It doesn't depend on our reasonable assent. Yet perhaps if we too come, like Mary, to those barren landscapes of the heart where sadness and hopelessness linger: perhaps this time, perhaps even now, the passionate promise of Jesus will astound us yet again, and turn all our grey certainties gloriously green.

"I will not leave you desolate," he said. "I will come to you."
Shazaam in all truth.

With joy,
Clinton

Easter at Knox

Holy Week Services

- April 13: Palm Sunday - "Give Up Pettiness for Lent"
Scripture: Read Luke 6:32-26
- April 17: Maundy Thursday - Services with Communion
12 pm and 7:30 pm.
Prayer Vigil begins at noon on Thursday, April 17 and ends on April 18 at 7:30 pm
- April 18: Good Friday Service
7:30 pm
- April 20: EASTER SUNDAY - "The Point of Deepest Need"
Scripture: Read John 21:15-19
6:30 Sunrise Service at Veteran's Park
9:00 am & 11:00 am services at the church



Easter 24 Hour Prayer Vigil



The prayer vigil begins at noon on Thursday, April 17 in the Chapel and concludes with the Good Friday evening service on Friday, April 18 at 7:30 pm. Please sign up for a 30 minute time period in the Commons.

Lenten Service of Healing and Wholeness

April 9, 7:30 pm

A service of prayer, reflection, scripture and music which speaks to the spirit of God's presence and healing strength in our lives. Life brings disappointments, loss, illness, uncertainty and more, but when we gather together in the strong name of Jesus, the Christ, who is our Great Physician, we find renewed hope and healing power for life. Together we remember God's promises to us in Christ and through prayer, we are buoyed for the challenges in our lives. There will be opportunities for personal prayer with pastors and Stephen Ministers and time for quiet reflection.





Easter Sunday Sunrise Service

The Sunrise Service will begin at 6:30 am at Veterans Park, 303 E. Gartner Road. Please bring your own lawn chairs for seating. Rev. Robert Thomas Quiring and Rev. Cindy Karis will co-lead the worship and communion will be celebrated. Refreshments will be served!

"The Last Supper:"

A Christian Seder Celebration

April 16 – 6:30 pm at Knox

Come to Knox on Wednesday of Holy Week for a delicious, home-cooked Seder meal and learn how Jesus became our new Passover from death to life. The Old Testament story of the Exodus and the Gospel story of Christ's Passion will be retold and connected theologically by Pastor Clint in a family-friendly fashion while participants enjoy an authentic three-course Mediterranean Passover meal and celebration while seated around tables.



Cost: \$5.00 per person, \$10.00 per family

Sign up online, in the Commons or call the Office at (630) 355-8181

[Register Online for the Seder Meal Here](#)

Children's Easter Choir

Yes, it's that time of year to plan rehearsals for our Children's Easter Choir! This choir is open to ALL children K-5th grade. You do **not** have to be a part of the Wednesday evening children's programming.

Rehearsals are:

March 30: 11:30 – 12:00

April 6: 11:30 – 12:00

April 13: 10:00 – 10:20

(not after the 10:30 worship service because of the Easter Egg Hunt!)



I will hand out a practice CD and lyrics at the first rehearsal. The worship services on Easter morning (April 20) at Knox will be 9:00 and 11:00. The Children's Choir will sing for both services but you don't have to participate both times. If you can give me an idea which one your child would be attending, that would be helpful. Thank you so much. I look forward to a large and joyful choir!

Jan Parry

Easter Egg Hunt & Potluck

Sunday, April 13

11:30 am after the Second Service



Church Life will provide pizza, please bring a salad, fruit dish or dessert to share. Kids will be decorating bags to carry their eggs in so they will not need to bring their own baskets. Sign up in the Commons.

[Register Online for the Egg Hunt & Potluck Here](#)

Easter Flowers in the Sanctuary

Worship, Music and Arts council are offering Easter flowers to order for display in the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Orders will continue through April 6 in the commons.

Lilly \$17.50

Tulip \$15

Hydrangea \$30

Azaleas \$30



Easter Childcare



Children 4 and under are welcome in the childcare room for Easter services. Volunteers are needed to help provide care. If you've used childcare in the past please consider lending a hand. Please contact Beth Burner at 630.217.7831.

Adult Education

Adult Ed. 1st Sunday Seminar Series Continues

Make plans to join us for two engaging speakers and fascinating topics!
Both events will begin at 6:30 with dessert and coffee. Please bring a dessert to share.

Sunday evening, April 6 at 7:00 pm, Lehman Hall
Lessons: What I learned from the Arabic Speaking Church



Presented by Professor Gary Burge Ph.D, a faculty member of Wheaton College. Dr. Burge holds a BA from the University of California, a M. Div. from Fuller Theological Seminary and Ph.D from King's College. He is also an ordained Minister in the Presbyterian Church USA. Burge specializes in the contextual and historical background of the New Testament. He is also an author of several books on the New Testament and the Middle East.

Sunday evening, May 4 at 7:00pm, Lehman Hall
Lessons from the Desert Fathers & Mothers
An intimate look at the monastic times of the early church



Presented by Professor Perry Hamalis, faculty member of North Central College where he is the Cecelia Schneller Mueller Professor of Religion and director of academic opportunities. Hamalis holds a B.A. from Boston College, a master of divinity degree from Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology and a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. A faculty member since 2004, his expertise and publications in the field of Eastern Orthodox Ethics have made him a sought-after lecturer at conferences and universities. He also serves as a consultant for the World Council of Churches.

SUNDAYS:

A Study of Revelation Leader: Jim Clinton
10:30 am in Room 202

What do you think of when someone mentions the book of Revelation. Beasts! Cataclysm! Destruction! The great battle with the Antichrist!

What if I told you that Revelation was a book of comfort, joy, encouragement and rejoicing? What if I told you Revelation is a logical presentation consistent with much of both the Old and New Testaments? Are you aware of the tremendous influence Revelation has had on western thought, art and music (Handel's Hallelujah Chorus, When the Saints Go Marching In)?

Last autumn this class raced through the video course "The Apocalypse: Controversies and Meaning in Western History." We found the course so meaningful and inspirational that we wanted to do it slower and savor the content. Please join us to explore the meaning of this controversial and misunderstood book.

- 4/6 God, the Lamb, and the Seven Seals
- 4/13 Seven Trumpets, Temple, and Celebration
- 4/20 The Dragon and the Problem of Evil
- 4/27 The Beasts and Evil in the Political Sphere

The Way Leader: Brooks Reid
9:00 am in the Sr. High Room

They will then take part in the study that partners with the Lenten Sermon Series - Give Up Something Bad for Lent by James W. Moore began on March 9. New participants are always welcome!

Sunday Night Small Group Leader: Frank Mayer
7:00 pm in Middle School Room

On March 9 this group began the study that partners with the Lenten Sermon Series - Give Up Something Bad for Lent by James W. Moore. New members are welcome. Contact Frank Mayer at fjmayerxge@comcast.net for details.

TUESDAYS:

Men's Study of The Gospel of Mark Leader: Frank Mayer
9:00 am in the Parlor
Contact Frank Mayer at fjmayerxge@comcast.net for details.

Breaking Free: The Journey, The Stories by Beth Moore Leader: Sue Curry
9:00 am in Room 202
September through March, contact Sue at curry.sue21@gmail.com for details.

Bible Study: With Leader: Rev. Deb Roberts
1:15 - 2:30 pm in Rev. Deb's office
"With: Reimagining The Way You Relate To God" by Skye Jethani

Theology on Tap Leader: Eric Heinekamp
7:30 at Hopvine Brewing Company
This group meets at Hopvine Brewing Company, 4030 Fox Valley Center Dr, in Aurora. The topic is TBD.
All are welcome.

WEDNESDAYS:



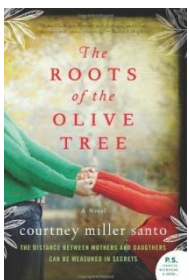
Women on Wednesdays continues the study of the book of James using Beth Moore's *James: Mercy Triumphs*. We have been inspired to not be "forgetful hearers" of the Word but to "LIVE IT"! It is still not too late to join us in this convicting and encouraging study. WOW welcomes women of all ages and Bible knowledge and includes childcare and activities for infants through Kindergarten. We meet on Wednesdays from 9:15-11:15 am in Fellowship Hall, with the exception of no meeting on April 2 for Spring Break. We would love to have you join us! Contact Margaret Lambka mllambka2@gmail.com or Robin Kolar skolar7227@aol.com for more information.

Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study Leader: Rev. Deb Roberts
7:00 - 8:30 pm in Rev. Deb's office
"With: Reimagining The Way You Relate To God" by Skye Jethani

THURSDAYS:

Daybreakers Leader: Rev. Clinton Roberts
6:00 am in the Coffee Bar

Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke: Leader: Rev. Cindy Karis
9:30 – 11:00 am in the Middle School Room
We began a new study On Thursday, January 9, 2014 - the *Gospel of Luke* by Horace Weaver. Child care is provided. Please email ckaris@knoxpres.org or call her at 630-615-4308 if you are interested in joining this class.



Book Club will meet Tuesday, April 8, 7:30 pm, in the home of Fran Lukes (2153 Lancaster Cir., Apt. 101A). Our selection for April is "The Roots of the Olive Tree" by Santo. New readers, as well as book recommendations, are welcome any time throughout the year. Book club will continue to meet the second Tuesday evening of each month. Contact Janice Wiles at 630-416-9537 or email wilesjan@gmail.com with any questions or suggestions.

Presbyterian Women

Women of Knox Garden Party

Presbyterian Women and Women on Wednesdays invite all women of Knox, and their friends, to our annual spring "Garden Party" luncheon.

DATE: Wednesday, May 14, 2014
TIME: 11:00 a.m.
PLACE: Knox Fellowship Hall
BRING: a salad to share
SIGN-UP: On the list in the Commons starting April 27.



Our guest speaker will be Amanda Thomsen, author of the blog, "Kiss My Aster!", who will give us a humorous, timely, presentation. If you would like to bring a decorated garden party hat for judging, you could win a prize! Presbyterian Women are celebrating their 25th Anniversary this year, and their annual Birthday Offering for mission will be received. Please plan to join us for this special spring day! (Babysitting is provided with sign-up of number & names of children.)

Lifespring Easter Egg Hunt

Presbyterian Women will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt and Party for the children at Lifespring on April 12 at 10:00 am at the Aurora facility. We will be arranging carpools to leave from church at 9:15 am. If you are able to help, please let Jan Reid know by phone or email at 630-961-0180 or jgreid00@aol.com. Please let her know if you will be willing to drive or if you will need a ride.



The Butter Braids are baaaacckk!

Besides choosing your past favorites, consider Strawberry and Cream Cheese or Double Chocolate to add to the list! Order in the Commons on Sundays 3/23 & 3/30. Pick-up will be between 10:30 & 11:30 Wednesday, 4/9 or Palm Sunday, 4/13 after each service.

Presbyterian Women's 2014 Retreat

Find your inner JOY at the Presbyterian Women's 2014 retreat at the beautiful LaSalle Manor in Plano, IL, May 2-4! Enjoy great fun, delicious food and lasting fellowship in an idyllic setting. With lots of free time you can walk the labyrinth, sit alongside the Big Rock Creek, take a leisurely stroll on the beautifully landscaped grounds or just rest and reflect. We are privileged to have Rev. Barbara Carmichael lead us through our study again this year and sincerely hope you will join us. The registration fee \$175 includes meals and study supplies. Sign up dates will be March 30, April 6 and April 13 in the Commons Area.



Presbyterian Women's Annual Flower Sale

Order Forms Due: Sunday, April 13
Delivery: Thursday, May 8 after 10:00 am
Just in time for Mother's Day!

Hanging baskets or Premium Combo Pots are our most popular Mother's Day gift!
Or, pick out assorted flowers to plant for yourself, mother, wife or loved ones. Talk to anyone who has ordered and find out how beautiful and durable these flowers are. Flowers are grown in a Michigan Greenhouse and they offer us a great fundraising price. Extras will also be available for cash and carry on May 8! Order forms will be available on the Knox website or at the church. Please tell your friends and neighbors as they won't be disappointed! Any questions, contact Dee Dee Porter at 630-650-9340 or portera@comcast.net.

Mary Martha Circle Mary Martha circle meeting will meet Tuesday, April 8. Our hostess will be Sandi Hurford, 231 Arlington Avenue. Come and join us!! Please contact Ineke Pelella at 630.357.3350 for more information.

Rachel-Rebekah Circle will gather Tues, April 8, at 9:30 am at the home of Rose Smilgys, 1135 Hull Ct., Aurora for fellowship and goodies, Bible study and mission opportunities. Please look over lessons 8 & 9 from our study book "An Abiding Hope" as we conclude this year's study. Come join us April 8 and rsvp "YES" to Rose at rose.smilgys@gmail.com or 630-851-4652. She can give directions if needed.

April is our last circle meeting until September as we will be joining the women and friends of Knox on Wed, May 14 for a "Garden Party" Spring Luncheon hosted by Presbyterian Women of Knox. Who doesn't love a garden party luncheon and this is one event you won't want to miss! Bring a friend and enjoy the day! Details are on page 4.

Missions at Knox

Spring is Coming, Really, But a Little Later Than Usual!

On Sunday, May 4th Knox will sponsor and host the Wayside Cross Ministries truck for our 6th Annual "Fill-A-Truck" Sunday. Clean your closets, dresser drawers, and storage areas. Give the men and women of Wayside Cross your outgrown or gently used clothes.

Your donation of CLEAN CLOTHING will help serve hundreds of people with meals, clothing, and lodging. Your clothing will either be distributed through the Community Outreach Program or turned into \$\$\$ for WCM in the Hope Chest Resale Store. Even ripped or torn clothing is turned into \$\$\$ by recycling to organizations that provide clothing to third world countries.

- Because of a limited number of personnel and the large variety of donations we can only receive clothing; games and small children's toys, toiletries for both men and women; and unopened versions of seasonal allergy medicine.



Arrangements can be made for pick-ups of furniture, larger items or appliances, by calling Wayside Cross Ministries at 630-892-4239 or filling out the form on the WCM website, www.waysidecross.org. If you have any questions about this event or Wayside Cross Ministries, call Gary McGregor at (630) 926-2603.

Save the Date – Wayside Cross Ministry: Master's Touch Friendship Banquet May 13, 2014, 6:30 pm

Mission Council invites all members of Knox to join us for the Annual Master's Touch Banquet at Gaslite Manor, in Aurora. We have reserved two tables of 8 people each to join us at **no charge** to hear about this fascinating and inspirational ministry. The Master's Touch Ministry is a Christ Centered, Bible Based ministry for men that has been serving the DuPage area.

More information to come in the May newsletter or for further information regarding this event call Bob Badertscher (630) 851-5198 or e-mail him at r2b2@vetrad7.com.

Knox's Annual Adult Mission Trip



WHEN:	May 3 – 10, 2014
WHERE:	New Orleans, LA
ACCOMMODATIONS:	Parkway Presbyterian Church
WORK PROJECTS:	Project Homecoming
COST:	\$450, includes airfare, ground transportation, housing, food, and payment to Project Homecoming
REGISTRATION DEADLINE:	APRIL 7, 2014
Scholarships are available.	

Registration forms are available on the Knox web site or paper copies will be in Bev Mayer's office. Include a copy of driver's license and insurance card with payment/registration forms. Informational meeting to be announced. For questions or additional information, contact Jeneane Ryan 630-631-9702 or Ed Wiles 630-310-2003.

Loaves & Fishes

The next Hunger Sunday is **April 5**. The most needed items this month are:

Tuna, pinto beans, black beans, chili, cereal, pasta, rice, crackers and oatmeal

Donations can be left in or near the Loaves & Fishes bin next to the Mission Council table. Thank you!





Hesed House

Meet our new Hesed House Co-coordinators! We welcome Diana Oshiro, who joined Knox in 1998, Tina Caldwell, who joined Knox in 2009 and Janet Gravel, who joined Knox in 1998. We are grateful for their leadership. Please be kind and helpful when they call asking for support for our Hesed House monthly serving.

Please join other members for service and fellowship by signing up for a shift or providing a dish. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the Commons.

Next Volunteer Night: April 26

Please sign up in the Commons to bring food or to work one of the three shifts:

6:00 pm 11:00 pm 3:00 am

Opportunity: Knox - Benefit Auction & Dinner

October 24, 2014

The Men's Ministry and Presbyterian Women of Knox are thrilled to join together for this year's auction, OPPORTUNITY: KNOX, which will benefit the families of Hesed House's Transition Living Center, women and children of Lifespring, the transitional living center at Wayside Cross Ministry.

Mark your calendars for October 24, 2014, at Bollingbrook Golf Club. Before dinner we will have a raffle and a silent auction. Following dinner, we will have several live auction items including: vacation homes, sporting events, and vacation packages. OPPORTUNITY: KNOX is pleased to inform you WGN Radio Morning anchor Steve Cochran, a long-time advocate of helping the homeless, will serve as our celebrity host and auctioneer.

Betty Barcheski is inviting our church members to "Give me 10!" as in 10 of your favorite places to shop, visit or dine in the area. Please send your lists to her email shown below. If you wish to donate or otherwise participate in a "big ticket" item for the silent auction, please email Marty.

Marty Ovens, Men's Ministry, martyovens@gmail.com, Co-Chair

Betty Barcheski, Presbyterian Women, moderator, betty@barcheski.com, Co-Chair



Children's Ministries



Children's Day Out registration is underway for fall 2014! Children ages 15 months to 4 years are welcome to join us 1 or 2 days per week, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for learning, playing, singing and stories. We are a ministry of Knox that provides a social foundation for each child. We offer an atmosphere for each child to grow and learn about their world, communicate with others, and develop a sense of

independence. Mostly importantly, we have fun! Please contact us for more information or online for forms. Knox members enjoy a reduced a registration fee of \$50 for the first child and \$20 for each sibling. Please contact Beth Burner or Judy Ancona at 630.355.7544.

Calling Boy Loomers!

Boys bring your rainbow looms to church on Sunday, April 6th and May 4th at 11:30 am. We will work together to make bracelets to donate to various organizations. We can share ideas for new patterns, trade colors, and teach other boys how fun looming can be! We will meet Sunday after the second service for 45 minutes in the Sunday School room 203. Contact Beth Burner for more information.



Sunday School Calendar:

- March 30: Sunday School will not meet.
 - (This is a correction from the March News)
- April 6 & 13: Sunday School will meet.
- April 20: Easter Sunday, Sunday School will not meet.

Remember at Knox, children are always welcome in worship. When SS doesn't meet, children up to PreK are also welcome in childcare.



One Great Hour of Sharing - Fish Banks



- During Lent, Children's Ministries will be collecting for One Great Hour of Sharing using their Fish Banks.
- If you don't have your bank yet, they will be in a basket on a table in the Commons.
- Banks will be collected on Easter at all services.



Dance & Music Ministry - Blessed Ones

Little Dancers/Singers Needed, Ages: 3-6

Practices: Wednesdays, April 23-May 7- 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

(Kids do not need to be in both groups, if they want to sing only, that is ok)

Performance: May 11 – 10:30 am Service

Registration available online

Contact Jenny Hubbard if interested: jhubbard@knoxpres.org or 630-615-4318

Children's Ministries Council - Check out our new Bulletin Board

Located In Fellowship Hall, advertising:

- A calendar of events
- Information on up-coming events
- Pictures from recent events



Vacation Bible School



June 16 - June 20

9:00 am - 11:30 am

Activities Includes; - singing, story time, recreation, crafts, snacks, and time with Chadder the Chipmunk.

[Register Online for VBS Here](#)

Also offered again this year

VBS Program for Kids with Special Needs

June 17 - June 19

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Activities will be similar to the morning VBS program but will be adapted to fit the needs of the kids. A team of professionals with experience working with kids with Special Needs will be planning and leading this VBS.

Those interested in helping should contact Jenny.

[Register Online for VBS for Kids with Special Needs Here](#)

Arts Camp

July 14 - 18



[Register Online for Arts Camp Here](#)

Middle School Fellowship

G 3 Spring Session—6th through 8th Grade

Bible Study, Games and Dinner

April 9, 16, 23

April 9 & 23 – 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

April 16 – 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm ~ We will help set-up and participate in the Seder/Lord's Supper
\$5/week - Register online/pay as you come

[Register Online for G3 Spring Session Here](#)



Roller Skating

Aurora Skate Center

34W113 Montgomery Rd. Aurora IL 60504

Friday, April 25, 7:30 pm – 10:00 pm

Cost: \$8.00/entrance + \$4.00 skate rental
(pay at the place when you arrive)

Register Online - Questions? Contact Jenny Hubbard at
jhubbard@knoxpres.org or [630-615-4318](tel:630-615-4318)

[Register Online for Middle School Roller Skating Here](#)

Summer Camp Options

Geneva Center in Indiana

Two sessions:

July 6-12 (for ages 14-18)

August 3-8 (for ages 9-13)

Two family camp weekends - 7/25 – 7/27 and 8/1 – 8/3

The Presbytery has scholarships to help subsidize the price for those that would like to attend the Geneva Center camps.

Timber Lee in East Troy, WI

A few families are sending their High School kids here July 20 -27 and will be attending an information meeting about the camp.



High School Youth Activities

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ministries

Go & Serve 2014

Go & Serve 2014 is heading to Cedar Rapids, Iowa June 8-14! We are working with a service project group called Matthew 25. We'll be staying at Coe College and eating dinner from our kitchen team at First Pres Cedar Rapids. More info @ knoxblog.org. Important dates are below:

Mar 26 – Information meeting, 7:40 pm

April 9 - Online registration begins, thru May 7th. \$50 extra fee from May 8-May 21.

May 7 - 7:30 p.m. Go & Serve Mandatory Meeting & Registration Due, Safe Haven (new Child Protection Policy) training before meeting

May 11- Go & Serve Sunday, both services

May 18 – Car Wash Fundraiser at Knox - 8:30-Noon

May 21 - Last chance to sign up for G&S with \$50 late fee

May 25 – Safe Haven training following second service (11:45)

June 1 – Adult Meeting, following second service (11:45)

June 7- Loading Day at Knox, 4-6 p.m.

June 8-14 - Go & Serve mission trip (leave after 10:30 service)

June 22 - Go & Serve Celebration Sunday

High School Youth Activities cont.

May 2014

- May 2, Friday – 8:30-11 - Broom Hockey
- May 24, Saturday – 7:30 PM - Baccalaureate Service for Seniors

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High School Ministries

Wednesday Fellowship
In the Basement
Dinner 6-6:30pm
Fellowship from 6:30-7:30 pm

Sunday Night Bible Study
7-8:30 pm

Young Adult Discussion on Tap

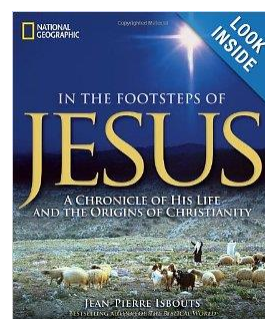
Quigley's Irish Pub
Downtown Naperville

Wednesdays
8-9:30 p.m.
Usually the first room on the right.



Church News

The Knox Library has received a beautiful, new copy of "In The Footsteps of Jesus: A Chronicle of His Life and the Origins of Christianity" by Jean-Pierre Isbouts-published by National Geographic. The extra-large volume has excellent photographs, illustrations, detailed maps, as well as biblical and historical references. Thank you Blanche Pettit for donating this book!



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING



For over 50 years Presbyterians have observed the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering during Lent. Knox has participated in this Presbyterian Denominational Wide Offering for its History. The amount of our Knox Contribution to this Offering has varied from \$6,000 to \$10,000. Many gifts add up to make an impact. For our newer members we may think of this offering as the Lenten Offering.

This offering started on the local congregational level in many denominations across the country. This was done as response to help healing people in need. It was such a great success that areas of helping have been expanded to include a hunger program, a self-development of people program, and a disaster assistance program. This offering gives us a chance to give something extra to areas that are truly in need. The Presbyterian Church (USA) along with other denominations, make a great impact in helping put our gifts to good service. For more information read your weekly bulletin inserts during Lent. There are envelopes in the pews for your generous contributions. If you have additional questions, contact one of your pastors or Mission Council members or Anne Sherren 630-932-0481. Knox Collects the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering each Sunday during Lent, beginning March 9 with the culmination on Palm Sunday, April 13, 2014.

Ministry to Seniors

Seasoned Citizens

Join us for
Chicago A Cappella Concert
"The Birth of Gospel"
Sunday, April 13 at 4:00 p.m.
Wentz Hall. Tickets \$20
Sign up Sundays in March or

RSVP to Rev. Cindy Karis [630-615-4308](tel:630-615-4308) or ckaris@knoxpres.org by March 31

Chicago *a cappella* will tell the story of gospel music's beginnings through song. We'll take you on a journey from the pre-gospel Classical works sung in many African-American churches to hymns, spirituals, and finally the full flowering of gospel music itself, which began right here in Chicago. At each of our venues, a gospel choir from that community will join Chicago *a cappella* on stage as musical guest artists. Rollo Dilworth, the dynamic, internationally-acclaimed choral director, arranger, and teacher, will serve as guest music director for the program, leading from the piano for a rousing gospel finale.



Hall of Famers

Hall of Famers will meet in April & May on the 2nd Thursday of the month.

11:30 am	Worship
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Program

Care Ministries

Nursing Home/Home Bound:

Pick up a weekly prayer concerns card in the Commons for a list of our members who are in nursing homes & home bound.

Illness/Health Concerns:

Donna Anfield (mother of Jill Anderson)
Dorothy Benesh (Jane Gilkes' mother)
Megan Betti (friend of Brooks & Jan Reid)
Pat Carter
Angie Deatrick
Sallie Delahouse (cousin of Anne Sherren)
George Foltz (Jeff Foltz's father)
Paul Gartner (Rosalie Gartner's son)
Matthew Gill (friend of the Morten families)
Benjamin Hannah (Joan Tanck's niece's newborn)
Matthew & Kimberly Harper
Mickey Jackson (friend of Daisy Trimnell)
Esther Jacobson
Bob Kirk (Thera Leigh's brother)
Donna Korkowski & family
Carolyn Lorenz
David O'Leary (uncle of Lin & Pat Carter)
Thera Leigh
Luis & Margie Leon (Friends of Carol O'Neil)
JoAnne Pollack (friend of Bergesens)
Bard Schatzman
Rob Schmidt (Rita Eagleson's son-in-law)
Helen Souta
Judy Stone
Abby Swanson
Ed Tanaka (Sandi Hurford's father)
Lois Webber
Allie Wiles (Ed Wiles' mother)
Ted Winbigler (Alice McGregor's father)

Grieving:

The Nelson family on the death of Dick's father, Charles.
The Slick family on the death of Marilee.
The Roberts family on the death of Keith Roberts, Sr.

Congratulations to:

Dustin & Katie McNichols on the birth of their son, Charles Thomas on February 20. Proud great grandmother is Edna Shepherd.
Adam & Bree Barnes on the birth of their daughter Addison on February 18. Proud great grandmother is Nora Johnson.

Military:

Jonathan Ballew
Adam Barns
Matt Concotta
Matt Krempel
Andrew Whitmer
Morgan Plummer
Calvin Warren
Scott Zwiers
All military personnel & their families.