

## A PRAYER FROM REV CLINT

Dear Knox Family & Friends:

“How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!” wrote the Psalmist (Ps. 133). In the wake of all the violence and disunity impacting our nation this summer, these ancient words carry a new and deeper meaning for me. Indeed “how very good and pleasant it is” when we gather together to worship God in the name of Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit. It is very good... It is the best antidote there is to these divisive and fearful times we are living through. God sent His Son into our fallen world for love’s sake, and the only way we can truly love God back is by loving each other as Christ loves all of us. It is this simple - and this profound. No other answer than the Gospel is sufficient to meet - and overcome - the evil of these days.

How very good it is to know that we belong to a church - and a Savior - who shows partiality to none of us and who welcomes all of us with outstretched arms. As an African American Knox member recently commented to me after Sunday worship, being here together in shared trust, vulnerability and mutual acceptance felt “like a giant exhale...,” like a great release from the tensions surrounding us. Long may our church be a refuge where all God’s family can live together in peace!

In celebration of these things, Knox will be hosting a special Unified Service of Remembrance on Sunday, September 11th. The Unified Service will take place at 10:00 am at Knox, followed by a Pulled Pork BBQ sit-down luncheon for the whole congregation. Everyone is invited! There will be music and games for the children. Bring a lawn chair if you wish to picnic outside. Otherwise, we will be seated in Fellowship and Lehman Halls. During worship, we will commemorate the 15th anniversary of 9-11 with music, hymn and prayer.

September will also kick off our Fall 2016 Church Wide Spiritual Emphasis, “Praise, Power and Passion: A Study of the Psalms.” Using Immersion Bible Study’s “Psalms” by J. Clinton McCann, Jr., Evangelical Professor of Biblical Interpretation at Eden Theological Seminary, Pastors Clint and Deb will preach an eight-week sermon series to accompany Knox’s church wide Small Group Bible Studies. You can pick up your copy of “Psalms” for \$9 at Knox and sign up for one of the many small groups meeting from Sundays through Thursdays each week. I pray that you will avail yourself of this exciting opportunity to move deeper into God’s Word through the study of the Bible’s “Prayer Book”, where the passionate implications of what it means to be fully human and fully honest gain power and purpose in praise of our God.

On the following week, September 18th, Knox welcomes back Major Morgan Plummer (U.S. Army, Ret.), former Chief of Staff of the Undersecretary of Defense, to speak on the topic of “America’s Present and Future Foreign Policy Challenges.” And on September 23-25, Knox Family Camp happens at Lake Geneva’s Covenant Harbor led by Pastor Clint and members of Knox’s Staff.

This summer, take time to be at prayer and worship. May we always remember “how very good and pleasant it is” to learn, grow and serve together as one family in Christ. See you in worship this Sunday!

Clint

# Special Summer Worship Opportunities

## 2nd Annual Outdoor Worship Service

August 14, 10 am  
Riverwalk Pavilion

(NO services at Knox or River Glen on this Sunday)

Knox will join with our sister church River Glen in a combined service in downtown Naperville at the Riverwalk Pavilion. This will be an engaging service for all ages. Come as you are. Bring the family or friends.

Bring a chair or blanket if you are able.  
Bring a picnic lunch if you'd like to stay following the service.  
Simple refreshments will follow the service.

IF - you are concerned about how to find it, maps will be available at Knox.  
IF - you need assistance getting to the Riverwalk, call the church office!  
IF - you can't bring a chair, extra chairs will be available.



## Saturday Night Worship, THRIVE@5: August 20

Don't miss this opportunity for informal worship and fellowship - our monthly Saturday service. People are beginning to call it "Thrive at 5:00"! Meet new worship leaders, enjoy special music, experience the distinctive nature of this evening service. Come as you are. Bring the whole family. Bring a new friend to Knox. Childcare is provided.

# ADULT EDUCATION

## Adult Ed Sunday Night Speaker Series Begins



Join us on August 14 for the Sunday Night Speaker Series of August at 6:30! Come to Lehman Hall for a discussion regarding **Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery**. Our speaker will be Dr. Leah Anderson, an associate professor of political science at Wheaton College. Part of her curriculum is courses dealing with human trafficking and the resulting forms of slavery. There are more enslaved people in the world today than at any other time in human history, including sex slavery, forced labor, and domestic servitude; this issue is much closer to home than many people can guess. Learn what we can do in our own community to help stop modern day slavery, along with understanding why we as Christians should be concerned.



## Knox Fall Spiritual 2016 is Gearing Up

This year's theme - **Praise, Passion and Power - The Psalms**  
Kick Off is September 11 and will continue through October

- \*Anticipate the sermon series
- \*Participate in a small group Bible Study - sign ups begin in August
- \*Discover the biblical significance of beloved Psalms and those lesser known
- \*Appreciate the connection between the Psalms and favorite hymns, praise songs and sacred music

Get a jump start and buy the book at Knox now (cost is \$9). For more information, call the church office at 630-355-8181.

## Adult Education Bible Study Opportunities

All classes welcome newcomers at any time!

### Sunday

**10:30 am** - *Skeptics and Believers Debate in the Western Intellectual Tradition*, led by Jim Clinton in Room 202

8/7 Theology and the Challenge of History

8/14 Off site worship -- no class

8/21 19th Century Modernists

8/28 19th Century Antimodernists

**7:00 pm** - A study on Paul using the book, *The Call* by Adam Hamilton; led by Frank Mayer; meets in the Chapel.

### Thursday

**6:00 am** - Men's Daybreakers Group; meets at the Coffee Bar

**Pastor Cindy's Summer Bible Study -**

**Anne Sherren** has graciously offered to host us on: **Thursday, August 18** from 9:30-11:00 am; Jeremiah 1:4-10. Her address is: 555 Foxworth Blvd. Apt. 630; Lombard, 60148 off Finley Road north of Butterfield.

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



**Rachel-Rebekah Circle** will meet on Tues. Sept 16th. Our study will be the introduction and Lesson One from 2016-2017 Horizon Bible Study, "Who Is Jesus". Please watch for further information in September's Knox News. Anyone who is interested in finding out more about this circle, please call Leslie Taylor @ 961-3140 or Dotty Mobley @ [630-357-6625](tel:630-357-6625).



Ladies! Are you a young mom with little ones? Have teenagers? Maybe an empty nester, grandma or just someone looking for a Bible Study and fellowship with other women? Then Women on Wednesdays is for you!

WOW meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-11:15 and includes childcare for little ones from birth to age 5. The morning begins with coffee and fellowship and includes large group video presentations and small group discussion and prayer. This fall we will explore the Psalms using the "Invitation to Psalms" study guide. It will compliment the all church study of the Psalms.

So if you are a woman in any stage of life and with any (or no) Bible knowledge, join us Wednesday mornings beginning Sept 14<sup>th</sup>.

Sign up is available online at the Knox website or the first morning. Questions? Contact Robin Kolar at [skolar7227@aol.com](mailto:skolar7227@aol.com) or Margaret Lambka at [mllambka2@gmail.com](mailto:mllambka2@gmail.com).

**Register Online**



## Knox Book Club

The next read for Book Club will be The Wright Brothers by David McCullough. We will gather August 10, 7:30 pm, in the Knox Parlor for discussion of this nonfiction book, which tells the back-story of the famous brothers. We will read A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman for September. You may contact Janice Wiles with any questions at 630-416-9537 or [wilesjan@gmail.com](mailto:wilesjan@gmail.com). You can check [Knoxpres.org](http://Knoxpres.org) for our reading list. New readers always welcome!

## Chick Flick

"Where film, faith and fellowship come together!"

Ladies, think of autumn cool,...dinner, movie and discussion.

Mark your calendar for Las Hallstrom's Hundred Foot Journey, starring Helen Mirren and Om Puri.

Friday, September 16 will launch our fourth season!

**Register Online**



# MISSIONS AT KNOX

## Back(pack) to School Time in Sisseton

Dakota Partnership is again collecting filled backpacks to help the students in Sisseton get off to a good start for the 2016-2017 schoolyear. If you would like to help with this worthy cause:

- Obtain a Supply List(supply lists can be found online)  
Or
- Pick up a tag on the Commons table at Knox (before and after the service on Sunday)
- Buy the backpack and fill it with the school supplies listed on the tag.
- Return filled backpacks to Knox with the tag on the outside of the bag.
- Drop off on Sundays in the Commons or leave them in the office anytime the church is open (Turn in by August 7)



Placing the tag on the backpack will help ensure that we get the backpacks to the correct age student. We have 312 students who will need backpacks so any help you can give will be appreciated. If you would rather not purchase the backpack feel free to donate supplies, backpacks or cash to help get supplies needed. Any Questions call Julie Milldrum 630-470-7044

**Click here to visit the Dakota Partnership Page, the school lists are at the bottom of the page.**



## Rosati's Open 19th Annual Fundraiser

When: Sunday, August 21

Where: Mill Creek Golf Club, 39W525 Herrington Dr., Geneva, IL 60134.

Time: Registration 12:00-1:00. Shotgun start 1:30

For: Proceeds benefit orphans and those living in extreme poverty in Haiti.

Golf (18 holes) & Dinner \$100

Dinner Only \$50

Cash bar

For more information contact Sue Goll @ 630-416-6433 or Robin Kolar @ 630-430-2666. Register @ [www.missionthree18@gmail.com](mailto:www.missionthree18@gmail.com)

## Loaves & Fishes

The next Hunger Sunday is **August 7**. Donations can be left in or near the Loaves & Fishes bin next to the Mission Council table. Thank you!

### Most Needed Items



## Naperville CARES and Loaves & Fishes Merge

Naperville CARES and Loaves and Fishes will merge their organizations based off a common goal to fight hunger and support self-sufficiency in Naperville. “What it really is about is providing a better customer service experience for the neighbors we serve. It’s going to be able to walk alongside our clients for a longer period of time, so we can have a longer-term impact and help them build their resources through various ways,” said Janet Derrick, Executive Director of Naperville CARES.

The new combined program will be called the Loaves and Fishes CARES program. By joining forces application time will be cut down and staff will be better able to link resources to a client who may be struggling on different fronts.

“From Loaves and Fishes you can get some emotional support, you can get some job assistance, you can get money management assistance and legal support. With CARES coming over they will now get financial assistance and car repair, so that will be great because those are major needs in the community,” said Duncan Ward, Director of Empowerment Services at Loaves and Fishes. Staff will also be trained how to better connect the needs of clients with the new resources through the merge.

The staff expects to see a difference in the number of families needing assistance in our community.

“I believe it will take the need down. I’ve been here now two years and being here over two years it’s just increased each month, and now both organizations coming together will take it down because the challenge and the struggle will be eliminated by having one roof provide all the services,” said Ward. While the merge officially went into effect July 1, normal programming will take place while the transition happens over the next six months.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



### Bibles and Bags in the Back of the Sanctuary

Families – We encourage you to use the activity bags and Bibles with your children during the worship service. We have provided these items for the times when you would like to keep your child in worship service rather than send them to Sunday School. The Action Bibles were generously donated by one of our members and are perfect for Middle School age. Please use during the worship service and if you would like to check out one of these Action Bibles and use at home for a little while, please let Jenny Hubbard know.

# Family PICNIC

## Family Picnic/ Sno-Cones and Movie Night

Saturday, August 20 – **The Peanut's Movie**

Begins after the 5pm Saturday Evening Worship Service

Bring a picnic and join us on the lawn for dinner and crafts for the kids followed by the movie in the Sanctuary. Bring blankets, pillows or sleeping bags to get comfy on the pews!

## Pre-school Play Group at the Park

Monday, August 1

We are taking the fun outside!

Families of Toddlers and Preschoolers

Want to get out of the house and meet other young families of Knox? Meet us at Riverwalk Park near Centennial Beach from 10:30 am to Noon. Bring a picnic lunch if you would like. For more information contact Betsy Anderson at [jump4it82@aol.com](mailto:jump4it82@aol.com) or call 630-865-8708.



## Sunday School Calendar

**August 28:** Last Day of Summer Sunday School

**September 11:** No Sunday School due to the Knox Fest Celebration. We will be having one service at 10 am

**September 18:** First Day of regular Sunday School



Sunday School's school-year program begins on Sept 18 with classes at both services for children age 3 (potty trained) to 7th Grade.

Questions & Volunteering: Contact – Esther Moreno Sunday School & Family Ministries Coordinator, 630-615-4303, [emoreno@knoxpres.org](mailto:emoreno@knoxpres.org)

## Family Camp

Knox is offering a Family Camp long weekend on September 23 - 25, 2016 at Covenant Harbor, Lake Geneva, WI and it will be 1st come 1st serve for registrations. We only have 12 rooms. Registration available online.

The weekend will include many fun activities provided by the camp as well as some led by one of our Knox staff. Downtown Lake Geneva is a 10 minute walk away along the lake shore.

Room and pricing details:

Room description: each room has a queen bed and a twin bed  
Two additional rollaway mattresses can be added for a total of 4 mattresses per room. Each room has 2 arm chairs that can be



taken out if rollaways are needed

Family maximum occupancy per room is 6 or max of 4 adults

- Adult Fees: One Adult in room \$375.00
- Two adults in room \$425.00
- Three adults in room \$475.00
- Four adults in room \$525.00
- Cost for children 4-11 \$25 per child
- Cost for children 12-18 \$45 per child

There are many opportunities for fun and fellowship at Family Camp. Don't miss out! Questions – contact Jenny Hubbard at [jhubbard@knoxpres.org](mailto:jhubbard@knoxpres.org) or 630 – 615-4318

**Register Online**



## Wednesday Nights begins again September 14!

Entering Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Register Online**

# MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRIES



**WORSHIP**



**LUNCH**



**GAMES**

Sunday, August 14 – 10:30 am – 3 pm

Outdoor Worship Service and Centennial Beach, bring a picnic lunch

**Register Online**

# CHURCH NEWS



## Boomers are Back!

The 2nd Annual Boomers - Padgett Fish Fry is coming in August!

Save the date.

Saturday, August 20

6:00 pm

The home of R.J. Meirs

1255 Jasmin Court



Bring: yourselves, a folding chair, a salad, veggie or desert to pass, favorite beverages. It was like the feeding of the 5,000 last year, as there was so much fish to share. Cindy and Fred are avid fisher persons and have offered to share their catch with us once again. Any questions - call or email Rev. Deb @ [droboters@knoxpres.org](mailto:droboters@knoxpres.org), 630-220-7815. Look for an evite. RSVP to office or evite. Hope to see you then.

**Register Online**

## Telling Our Story: Knox Photography

KNOX is embarking on a “Tell Our Story” program. We would like those of you who enjoy taking pictures to take pictures of the fun around you when you are at KNOX events and share the experience you have in belonging to this group wherever you are; crazy and serious pics encouraged.

Now wait that’s not all - if you are interested in being the “eyes of Knox” through your camera lens - we’ll give you a good equipment to use, show you how to take really good pictures, teach you photo editing, and you could possibly join us in the light and sound booth on Sundays. Come by yourself or bring a friend. If you are interested, email, or text Ron Wachholtz at [630-723-9025](tel:630-723-9025) or [rewachholtz@gmail.com](mailto:rewachholtz@gmail.com).



## What are you doing a year from October?”

**The Knox Reformation Tour  
Martin Luther’s 500th Anniversary  
Tour of Germany  
October 8-15, 2017**

Join Co-Pastors Clint and Deb Roberts for 7 nights and 8 days in Germany as we follow in the footsteps of Martin Luther, kindler of the Protestant Reformation. We will travel to Berlin, Wittenberg, Leipzig, Erfurt and Frankfurt by motor coach and stay at hotels such as the 5 Star Adlon Kempinski in

Berlin. The fellowship afforded by a Knox Tour is uniquely gratifying, as is the educational and spiritual focus of the itinerary. Scrupulously planned by Scorby Travel, this will be a memorable experience to be treasured for a lifetime. Space is limited. Contact Nancy Scorby at [scorbytravel@sbcglobal.net](mailto:scorbytravel@sbcglobal.net) or at (630) 712-7702 for more details.



## Knox Summer Blood Drive

**Monday, August 29, from 3:30 pm through 7:30 pm**

This will be the Deacons versus Session Blood Drive! That is, which team will be able to recruit the most donors! Stay tuned for more information throughout the Summer. In the meantime, if you have any questions you can contact Neil Goltermann at home, [\(630-\) 750-5863](tel:630-750-5863) or email him at [ntgoltermann@aol.com](mailto:ntgoltermann@aol.com).



## Knox Job Opening – Part Time Custodian

Knox is currently looking to hire a part-time custodian to work on an as needed/on call basis. They will help us fill in during staff vacations, during large events or other times when an extra hand is needed. You would be called intermittently as needed which could be to cover for week days and/or weekends. This position performs custodial tasks and maintenance duties inside and outside our church. You will help to set-up and take down furniture and equipment for both church and community events that take place at Knox and also to help maintain a clean environment for all our members and visitors. For more information please contact Ron Mobley at 630-615-4305 or [rmobley@knoxpres.org](mailto:rmobley@knoxpres.org).

## Bells, Bells, Bells, Bells, Bells!

Oh, from out the sounding cells,  
What a gush of euphony voluminously wells!  
How it swells!  
How it dwells  
On the Future! how it tells  
Of the rapture that impels  
To the swinging and the ringing  
Of the bells, bells, bells,  
Of the bells, bells, bells, bells,  
Bells, bells, bells--  
To the rhyming and the chiming of the bells!



With admiration for Edgar Allen Poe's poem, we are happy to announce we have a new director for our Handbells! Marilyn Wilgocki has graciously volunteered to serve as our fearless leader. Her credentials are outstanding...along with her teaching skills for those who are curious about ringing.

What, you are curious? Great! Contact Jan Parry at [jparry@knoxpres.org](mailto:jparry@knoxpres.org) for more information.

## Rita Eagleson, Knox's Financial Secretary to Retire

This month, Rita Eagleson, Knox's Financial Secretary will retire after more than eleven years of service. Rita will be honored at a reception held on Sunday, August 21st at 10:00 am at Knox.

When I think of Rita, I just want to start smiling. She has a way of making me feel better about just about anything. Her ready laughter can fill the hallways, infectiously bringing about smiles and laughter in us. Rita is smart, funny, faithful, caring and industrious. Her invaluable contribution to making Knox's finances transparent, accurate and accessible in support of our many missions and ministries has been a joy to behold. Rita cares about Knox's causes—and our people who support them. Her work among us has been as much a ministry as anyone serving on Staff. We honor and applaud Rita as she retires to start the next set of adventures in her life.

Well done, Rita! We love you and will miss you deeply.

-Clint

Roberts, Head of Staff





## It's a Knox Wedding, and You are Invited!

Robert Sacramento and Beth Kugelman are offering an open invitation to all Knox Presbyterian members to attend our wedding and reception on Saturday, August, 27 at 4:00 pm. Dessert, coffee, water, and lemonade will be available in Lehman hall following the ceremony. Please R.S.V.P. to Beth at [bethiek40@aim.com](mailto:bethiek40@aim.com) or call Beth at 630-660-3417 or Robert at 331-330-0683. We would be honored by your presence.

# MINISTRY TO SENIORS

U.S. Air force Band of Mid America "Roots in Blue" Concert  
Saturday, August 13 3:00 pm  
Cantigny Park in the tank area  
(bring your own chairs)

Concert Free Parking \$10

Join us early (1:00 pm) for lunch at Le Jardin Restaurant (in the visitors center) and/or a walk through the lovely Cantigny Gardens!



Sign up at Knox Sundays July 24, July 31, and August 7  
or online at [knoxpres.org](http://knoxpres.org)

**Register Online**

# THANK YOU



Heartfelt thanks to the many wonderful folks who helped make the first **Knox Garden Walk** successful! Approximately 150 people toured six lovely gardens on the July 9 walk. Special thanks to our generous gardeners: Denise & Tom Gallagher, Cheryl & Doug Hansen, Mary & Barry Horek, Janet & Steven Hyde, Alice & Jim Snelgrove, and Nancy & Ben Whitmer. Thanks also to Presbyterian Women, Knox's staff, the many Garden Greeters, Ed Wiles and Grace Gould for their assistance. The global microfinancing agency Oikocredit will be the beneficiary of all profits from this event.

# CARE MINISTRIES

## **Illness/Health Concerns:**

Donovan McCoy (Tom Sieczynski's grandson)  
David Wayne (friend of Mark and Pam Guth)  
Karen Hryciuk & Bob Hryciuk (friend of the Heath Family)  
Carole Mickelson (friend of Diane Charles)  
Ryan Schmidt (friend of Jonathan and Tara Charles)  
Patricia Renggli (mother of Anne Renggli)  
Brent Fry (friend of Carol and Charlie O'Neill)  
Don Stewart (friend of Helene Schaefer)  
Stephanie Siczewicz (Pete Siczewicz's aunt)  
Marilyn Cortright (Bob Cortright's mother) (hospice)  
Larry Sieczynski Sr. (Tom Sieczynski's brother)  
Mark Scoughton (friend of Diane Charles)  
Steven Obremski (son of co-worker of Kevin Williams)  
Diane Terry (Anne Sherren's cousin's wife)  
Barb Stewart (friend of Helene Schaefer)  
Shirley Sichel (aunt of Mariette Siczewicz)  
Jack Romine (father of Jill Poskin)  
Bob Stout (co-worker of Kevin Williams)  
Elijah Georges (Arlene Beslic's grandson)  
Laura Armstrong (family friend of Gary and Ruth Dispensa)  
Jo Ann Allen (good friend of the Du Chanes)  
Michelle Sutton (friend of Bob and Jean Casper)  
Jack Mathison (Brent Mathison's father)  
Marisa Kruger (friend of Lisa Bonomo)  
Ryon Degenhart (relative of Pam Guth)  
Marleen North (friend of Betty Barcheski)  
Dede Massaro (sister of Lori Dickens)  
Betty Bohlander (friend of Diane Charles)  
Larry Ley (Rita Eagleson's brother)  
Susie Ley (Rita Eagleson's sister-in-law)  
Denise Dugas (friend of Bob and Diane Charles)  
Ken Chapek  
Judith Abella  
Mark Bickler  
Jennifer Quinto  
Kathi Olson  
Pat Carter  
Theresa Inman  
Lynn Berg  
Sharon Powell  
Richard Slayton (Robert Slayton's father)  
Liz Lawrence  
Virginia Pekala (Dave Pekala's mother)  
Howard Larson  
Teri Sounhein (mother of Erin Lehman's best friend)  
Amy Bratsos  
Marlene Parker  
Jim Swanson  
Stan Mercer (brother-in-law of David Bonomo)  
Wayne Zascoda (Shirley McDonald's niece's husband)

## **Hospital**

Ron Haller (Kathi Olson's brother)  
Joel Staszewski (son of June Banks' cousin)

## **Home Recovering**

Matthew Gill (friend of the Morten families)  
Peg Little  
Becky Schaefer  
Marj Sleith  
Mike Mascal (son-in-law of Norah Johnson)  
Alan Fry  
Wayne Butterfield (Laurie Pettit's father)  
Nancy Fry  
Jason Horek (Barry and Mary Horek's son)  
Melanie Hawken  
Mariette Siczewicz (rehabilitation facility)  
Jonathan Warren  
Meaghan McMullen  
Mary Koller  
Diane Noreen  
Fred Jones  
Carole Jones

## **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.

## **Grieving:**

The friends and family of:

**Linda Fuhrer** on her death

**Orbie Byrd** on his death (Beckie Gibson's father)

**Dr. Paul R. Byerly** on his death (Julie Milldrum's father)

**Phyllis Trestler on her death** (Wes Trestler's grandmother)

**Margaret Martin** on her death (Jeanette Pierce's mother)

**Patrick Walsh** on his death (Ruth Dispensa's brother-in-law)

**W. Robert Sleep** on his death (Tim Sleep's father)

**Margie Kasper** on her death (friend of Carol O'Neill)

## **Congratulations:**

**Lauren & Eric Maddox** on the birth of their daughter Paige Valerie on July 8. Proud great-grandmother is Doris Walker.

## **Military**

Jonathan Ballew  
Morgan Plummer  
Calvin Warren  
Adam Barnes  
All military personnel & their families.

Matt Krempel  
Chris Hurford  
Matt Cincotta  
Scott Zweir