

## **OUR MISSION - OUR VISION**

Transforming lives through relationship with God and one another  
Wesley-Knox - a vibrant Christian community striving to live gratefully,  
deepen faith and reach out to God's world

### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2018**

Proclaiming the Word: Marilynne McNeil  
Vocals: Amanda-Lynn Stublely, Martin Horak  
Piano: Brian Ratcliffe

## **VOLUNTARY:**

### **WE GATHER TOGETHER**

## **WORDS OF WELCOME LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH**

### **WE APPROACH GOD**

*(The \* is an invitation to rise in body or in spirit)*

## **PRELUDE:**

\* **HYMN:** 345 "Come, Children, Join to Sing"

## **\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Friends, you are welcome in this place as together we come to worship.

All: We each come, with our individual stories, dreams and hopes.

One: We each come bringing our very selves before God.

All: Here we seek out a place of belonging, acceptance and grace.

One: Here we seek out the God whose love for us flows with abundance.

All: Thanks be to God!

## **PRAYER OF APPROACH**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** A New Year Prayer

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### **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

**CHILDREN'S HYMN:** 357 "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" (vs.1,3)

## **LEARNING WITH GOD'S CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**CHILDREN'S HYMN:** 357 (vs. 4-5)

**ANTHEM:** Jesus, Oh What a Wonderful Child arr Hayes

**SCRIPTURE:** John 2:1-11

ne: For the Word of God in scripture, among us and within us.

**All:** *Thanks be to God.*

## **MESSAGE**

## **SILENT REFLECTION**

### **WE RESPOND TO GOD**

\* **HYMN:** 359 "He Came Singing Love"

## **PRESENTATIONS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

\* **OFFERTORY RESPONSE AND PRAYER:** 539  
*God of all good, our gifts we bring to you,  
use them your holy purpose to fulfil;  
tokens of love and pledges brought anew  
that our whole life is offered to your will.*

## **PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

**HYMN:** 101 "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

\* **COMMISSIONING & RESPONSE:** 298

*When you walk from here,  
when you walk from here,  
walk with justice, walk with mercy,  
and with God's humble care.*

## **POSTLUDE**

**Welcome Visitors:** We welcome those of you who are visiting with us today and invite you to sign our guest books located on the back tables. If you wish office attention, please sign one of the Pew Cards and place

it on the offering plate. After the service, please join us downstairs in the Social Hall for coffee, served by Eclectic.

**There are activity packs** for children who wish to colour during the service. Please return the packs to the table after the service, Thank you!

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2018**  
**TODAY**

**SOUPER SUNDAY** is our main fundraiser for the Out of the Cold meal program.

**The senior youth group** will meet today at the church at 6:30 p.m. for our regular group meeting. The activity is still being decided, maybe a movie or games night. The sleigh ride has been postponed until Feb 11<sup>th</sup>. It was thought best to wait until exams were over. Registration for Worshiplude is over. We have one full coach heading to Ottawa on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**THIS WEEK**

**In your personal prayers this week**, please pray for our highschool students who are finishing papers and writing exams. Pray that they might have calm spirits and confidence. Pray for the educators and support staff who inspire and encourage them, and for all who dedicate themselves to our young people. At Wesley-Knox we are very blessed with amazing youth!!!

Monday, January 22 -

**UCW Executive** - 7:00 p.m. - Parlour

Tuesday, January 23 -

**Moms & Tots** - 9:30 a.m. - SS Room

Wednesday, January 24 -

**Senior's Connection** - 1:00 p.m. - Parlour - Guest speaker, Sandy Sershall speaking about Jean Ramer's book, "Historic Homes of Old South"

Thursday, January 25 -

**Primary Choir** - Gr. 1-3 - 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
**Junior Boys' Choir** - Gr. 4-7/8 - 4:45 - 5:30 p.m.  
**Junior Girls' Choir** - Gr. 4-7/8 - 5:15 - 6:00 p.m.  
**Mysterium** - 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Gr. 9 - University  
**Senior Choir** - 7:30 p.m. - Parlour

Friday, January 26 -

**Moms & Tots** - 9:30 a.m. - SS Room

**GENERAL**

**NEW TO WESLEY KNOX** - We are holding a dessert and coffee info session for those who are new to Wesley Knox and for anyone else that would like to know more about our church community on Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> after the service in the parlour. For further info please call Debbi Jarvis at 519-471-6727 .

**Annual General Meeting** - February 11<sup>th</sup> immediately following the church service.  
A-L please bring sandwiches  
M-Z please bring squares

**Coming Soon!** The Mamas to Mamas Little Big Sale! A BIG sale of LITTLE stuff - gently used baby and kids clothing, toys and gear. Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at Wesley-Knox, 9:00 a.m. to noon. Admission \$1.00 or a non-perishable food item. All proceeds will be donated to the London Food Bank and the Diaper Bank of London.

**New Members** - On Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup> Wesley-Knox will welcome new members during Sunday morning worship. Please speak to Debbi Jarvis or Rev. Tracy if you are interested in becoming a member of Wesley-Knox.

**NOTICE TO ALL CHAIRS** - the Annual Meeting is fast approaching, February 11<sup>th</sup>. Deadline for the Annual report is January 21<sup>st</sup>. Please submit your report to Heather at [wesleyknox@bellnet.ca](mailto:wesleyknox@bellnet.ca).

**PANCAKES ARE COMING! PANCAKES ARE COMING!** Our annual Pancake Supper is on Shrove Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. All-You-Can-Eat-Pancakes, Ham, Baked Beans, Make-Your-Own-Sundae, Beverage. Tickets will be available in the Social Hall after the service TODAY and in the Church Office during office hours. This is a major fundraiser for our Community Breakfast program so please help us with your support. We really appreciate selling the tickets **in advance** so that we can prepare accordingly. Adults: \$6; Children 12 and Under \$3. Come Early! Thank you. The Community Breakfast Team.

## **INTERIM REPORT OF THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

We are excited to announce that the search for members to serve on the new Leadership Council is complete and we have assembled a team of committed and talented individuals all excited to be part of the new governance model. Over the course of the next few weeks please extend a few words of encouragement and thanks to:

**Cathy Grasby, Chairperson**

**Bob Hahn, Treasurer**

**Sheila Carson, Secretary**

**Jennifer Cline**

**Tony Haworth**

**John Koreen**

**Lynda Laskey**

**John McFall**

**Tara Pegg**

**Rev. Tracy Crick-Butler, Ex-Officio**

The Nomination Committee has now turned its attention to the important task of finding members to serve on the six standing committees which are:

**Community Care**

**Faith Formation**

**Ministry & Personnel**

**Reaching Out**

**Resources & Renewal**

**Spiritual Life**

This is your opportunity to get involved and give of your time and talents. If you have an interest in serving on one of these committees please talk with Cathie Banks, Ian Hardie, Carl Hearn, Marilynne McNeil or Liz Phoenix.

**Get Your Tickets Now!!** The Girls' Choir will be singing during the Half-Time Show at the London Lightnings Basketball Game against the Niagara River Lions on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. We have 100 tickets to sell for this game. This is an important fundraiser for our choir programs! Tickets are at a discount for only \$15. You can get them downstairs at Coffee Hour!

**Hand Drumming** - New Winter Session begins! A new 8-week Session of drumming begins on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-4:30 for Children ages 8-12 (\$50) and 4:30-5:30 for Adults and Teens (\$70). PLEASE NOTE TIME SWITCH. To Register, email Karen Schuessler at [kasch500@rogers.com](mailto:kasch500@rogers.com) or call Wesley-Knox, (519) 673-4803, ext. 202 and leave a message.

## **LOOKING FOR A GOOD CHILI RECIPE**

We have been close to winning a trophy the last couple of years, and we thank everyone who

made a pot of chili for the Old London South Community Associations chili cook off being held here again this year on Feb 24<sup>th</sup>. Chris Mortlock did win a prize three years ago, and now it's time to take back the trophy. So, if you have great chili recipe and would be willing to make a pot of chili we would be very grateful. Contact me Debbi Jarvis at 519-471-6727 and we can register your entry on behalf of Wesley Knox. And to everyone else, mark your calendars, this is always a great community event. Bring your own table of neighbours and friends, and enjoy the chili, the dessert and the live Mariachi band.

**Chocolate Mint Smoothies!** For those of you still craving chocolate after December, the Children's Choir Program is continuing its fundraiser of selling Rheo Thompson Chocolate Mint Smoothies (both milk and dark chocolate) for \$2.50 each. These will be available every Thursday in the Parlour from 3:30 to 6:00 p.m. and every Sunday after church at coffee hour. Fun treats for you or a friend!

**There are spaces open** in all the Children's Choirs! Tell a friend or neighbour about our great program. Brochures are at the back of the sanctuary and by all the doors.

**God's Mission, Our Gifts.** To ensure that the work of our Mission and Services dollars is visible to you, please check out the new bulletin board display in the hall. You'll find pictures and stories which are inspirations to continue your support. Thank you.

### **Events in Worship**

January 28	Book Kimber-Johnson, vocalist
February 11	New Members Sing On, Sisters! Girls' Choir
February 18	Lent 1 Mysterium
February 25	Lent 2 Sing On, Brothers! Boys' Choir
March 4	Primary Choir

