

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 28, 2018

Proclaiming the Word:
Soloist:
Djembe:

Cindy Milne Wren
Book Kimber-Johnson
Greg Mainprize

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: 402 "We Are One"

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God has called us to meet in this place;

All: coming together as community.

One: We come to heal and be healed, to seek and to be found.

All: We come to feed and to be fed, to love and to be loved.

One: We come into God's presence in hope and expectation;

All: we come to encounter God who moves among us and with us.

PRAYER OF APPROACH

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S HYMN: 415 "God, We Praise You" (vs.1-3)

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

CHILDREN'S HYMN: 415 (vs. 4-6)

ANTHEM: Betelehemu

Olatunji, arr Whalum

This Yoruban song is from Nigeria in West Africa. "Baba" means "father".

We are glad that we have a Father to trust.

We are glad that we have a Father to rely upon.

Where was Jesus Born?

Bethlehem, the city of wonder.

Praise, praise, praise be to Thee.

SCRIPTURE: John 2:1-11

One: 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: 457 "As We Gather at Your Table"

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.*

THE CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

One: May God be with us.

All: God is here among us.

One: Let us open our hearts to God.

All: We open them to God and to one another.

One: Let us give thanks to God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(the prayer continues)

One: Therefore with all the saints of every time and place, we join the angels in their praise:

Sung response: Pg. 941

***Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

(the prayer continues)

One: And together we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Sung response: Pg. 942

***Christ has died
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.***

SHARING THE MEAL: 465, 459

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN: 481 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

*** 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 Unit #4.

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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TODAY

NEW TO WESLEY KNOX We are having a dessert and coffee info session for those who are new to Wesley Knox after the service in the Parlour.

THIS WEEK

In your personal prayers this week, please pray for those who are considering membership at Wesley-Knox. Pray that within this community they find welcome, acceptance and love. Pray that together we might all be the Church in this place!

Monday, January 29 -

Cards - 1:30 p.m. - Social Hall

Tuesday, January 30 -

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

Wednesday, January 31 -

Senior's Connection - 1:00 p.m. - Parlour - Arm Chair Yoga

Thursday, February 1 -

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, February 2 -

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

Movie Night - 7:30 p.m. - Parlour "Groundhog Day"

GENERAL

Wesley-Knox Men will meet for breakfast at the Family Circle restaurant (Wellington at Grey) on Sunday, February, 4th at 8:30 a.m. Please join us, and bring a guest if you wish.

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

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

"Souper" Sunday generated a \$740 profit for the Out of the Cold meal program at Wesley-Knox. Thank you to our marvellous volunteers and to the congregation for their support of this very successful fundraising event. Carrol & Ron, Cathie and Darryl

New Members - On Sunday February 11th 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.

PANCAKES ARE COMING! PANCAKES ARE COMING!

Our annual Pancake Supper is on Shrove Tuesday, February 13th 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.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The search for a new team of leaders at Wesley-Knox is now complete. The details below are an outline of the Nominations Committee report that will be presented at the Annual Meeting on February 11th. Over the course of the next few weeks please extend a few words of encouragement and thanks to:

LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

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

STANDING COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSONS

Debbi Jarvis, Community Care

Mary Anne van de Vooren, Faith Formation

Trevor Johnson, Ministry & Personnel
Margo Bettger-Hahn, Reaching Out
Sheila LeClair, Resources & Renewal
Dean Morris, Spiritual Life
Debra Eppel, United Church Women
Ross Rowe, Trustees
Rev. Tracy Crick-Butler, Ex-Officio

Many of these committees have an ongoing need for your support as a working member. This is your opportunity to get involved and give of your time and talents. If you have an interest in serving on any one of these committees, please talk with Cathie Banks, Ian Hardie, Carl Hearn, Marilynne McNeil or Liz Phoenix.

WESLEY-KNOX NEEDS YOU!!!

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 3rd 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 - There is still room for more drummers in our new Winter Session! Mondays from 4:30-5:30 (\$70), ending on March 5. To Register, email Karen Schuessler at kasch500@rogers.com or call her (519) 673-4803, ext. 202 and leave a message.

LOOKING FOR A GOOD CHILI RECIPE

Old London South Community Association is holding another chili cook-off at Wesley-Knox on February 24th. In 2015 Chris Mortlock won Best Community Chili and in 2016 he tied with the Idylwyld Inn for the Best Overall Chili. It's now time to take back the trophy, so if you have a great chili recipe and would be willing to make a pot, we would be very grateful. Contact Debbi Jarvis at 519-471-6727 to register your entry on behalf of Wesley-Knox. And to everyone else, mark your calendars for this great community event. Bring your own table of neighbours and friends and enjoy the chili, dessert and the live Mariachci 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.

BROADWAY WITH A TWIST! ~ The Unfathomable: A benefit concert for the London Food Banks ~ Arts For All Kids program! An evening of Broadway songs performed by some of London's finest singers; all from roles they would never be cast in! A night of laughter, beauty and poignancy. Don't miss this one of a kind entertainment! Saturday, February 10, 2018 at Wolf Performance Hall; 8 p.m. Tickets: Adults: \$30 Children/Students: \$15 Available through the Grand Theatre Or ordered from Karen Pincombe and Brian Ratcliffe.

Events in Worship

February 4	Karlene Kimber, preaching
February 11	New Members Sing On, Sisters! Girls' Choir
February 18	Lent 1
February 25	Lent 2 - Barb McGill, preaching Sing On, Brothers! Boys' Choir Handbells
March 4	Primary Choir

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