

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, NOVEMBER 25, 2018

Proclaiming the Word: Heather Greenfield
Baritone: Christian Haworth
Organ: Addison Ho

VOLUNTARY: May Song Mozart
May Time German folksong

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:** 232 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore You"

* **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: Like God's people before us, we still ask today "With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?"

All: Does God want me to provide gifts, to make sacrifices, to do something specific?

One: "God has told you, O mortal what is good."

All: Throughout the generations God has wanted us to know and helped us to see how we can be in relationship with God and with one another.

One: "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God."

All: I can live justly. I strive to love kindness. I seek to walk humbly with God. This is how I come before God.

One: Let's come before God together as we worship and witness in this place.

PRAYER OF APPROACH

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S HYMN: 445 "A Little Child the Saviour Came" (vs 1,2)

THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

This morning we celebrate the baptism of Patrick Wayne and Rowan Bruce Kristoferson, sons of Katherine and Adam.

Rev. Tracy: As a believing and baptizing church, do you commit yourselves to support and nurture Patrick and Rowan's family within a community which worships God, seeks justice and loves and serves others?

Congregational Response: Katherine and Adam, we commit ourselves to support and uphold you within this community of faith, as we learn and grow together.

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

CHILDREN'S HYMN: 445 (vs 3,4)

ANTHEM: The Beatitudes

Evans

SCRIPTURE: Micah 6:1-8

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:** 701 "What Does The Lord Require of You"

PRESENTATIONS OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

March (from the oratorio "Judas Maccabeus")

Handel

* **OFFERTORY RESPONSE AND PRAYER:** 539

***God of all good, our gifts we bring to you,
use them your holy purpose to fulfill;***

*tokens of love and pledges brought anew
that our whole life is offered to your will.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

* **HYMN:** 313 “God, Whose Almighty Word”

* **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: Prelude (from the “Te Deum”) Charpentier

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!

We give thanks for the many years of Life and Witness of James McDougall, November 17th and Marie Banks, November 18th who entered the presence of their Lord.

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TODAY

Confirmation - 12:00 - Parlour

THIS WEEK

In your personal prayers this week please pray for our United Church Women as they prepare to welcome people to the Wesley-Knox Bazaar where they will be warmly greeted and shown wonderful hospitality. Pray that those who enter our doors might feel inspired to return and grow in faith with the Wesley-Knox community.

Monday, November 26 -

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

Tuesday, November 27 -

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

Card Making - 1:30 p.m. - Social Hall

Book Study - 6:30 p.m. - St. James Westminster

Wednesday, November 28 -

Seniors Group - 1:00 p.m. - Parlour - with Cathie Banks talking about Handbells

Handbells - 6:30 p.m. - SS Rm.

Thursday, November 29 -

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 - Gr. 8/9 - University - 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Senior Choir - 7:30 p.m. - Parlour

Friday, November 30 -

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

Saturday, December 1 -

Wesley-Knox Christmas Bazaar - 11:00 a.m. - Social Hall

Christmas Concert - 8:00 p.m. - Sanctuary

GENERAL

As part of worship or other events at Wesley-Knox, we sometimes take photos to share with our community. These photos may be used Wesley-Knox's Facebook Page, Website, Newsletter, bulletin boards and/or our annual pictorial review. If you DO NOT wish your photo to be used, please let us know by contacting the Communications Team at communications@wesleyknox.com

Seniors' Connection Christmas Turkey Luncheon, December 19th at 12:00 in the Social Hall with special entertainment. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Please contact Paul Stewart by Wednesday, December 12th at 519-432-0040 if you are interested in attending.

Wesley-Knox Christmas Bazaar - Saturday, December 1st at 11:00 a.m. Come out - there are lots of things to buy.

Sing Nowell! Christmas Concert - Saturday, December 1st at 8:00 p.m. with Denise Pelley, Steve Holowitz and our Senior and Junior choirs, and Mysterium. Don't miss this favourite holiday tradition and major fundraiser for our church. Bring your friends! Tickets available during coffee hour after worship, from the church office, choir members and Tuckey's Hardware.

CHIC BOUTIQUE: Please bring in your gently used, clean clothing donations for our annual Boutique that is part of our Christmas Bazaar. Items can be brought to the church. Purses, jewellery, and shoes sell well also!! Drop off location is the same as last year, the Sunday school room in the South East Corner on the 2nd floor. Thank you for your ongoing support of this recycling and fund raising initiative!!

Caring Tickets Program - Sing Nowell - and share some Christmas Joy! Please consider buying an extra ticket for our wonderful annual Christmas concert on December 1st, which we would then donate to individuals who would greatly appreciate the opportunity to be there.

S.A.C.K. 2018!!! 100 minutes - your gift to the Salvation Army! To sign up, see Richard in the Social Hall any Sunday in November or call him at 519-438-1597. Make it a family affair, a carol event, bring a friend, earn points toward Community Service hours. 'Tis the season!

You are invited to A Service of Hope on Wednesday December 5th at 11:00 a.m. in the parlour. Together we will support one another as we recognize that the Seasons of Advent and Christmas can be painful for some. Through scripture, prayer and music we will seek the light that Christ brings. This quiet and reflective service will be followed by a time of refreshments and fellowship for those who wish to stay.

Get Your Special Chocolate here! Unique and delicious Rheo Thompson Chocolate Mint Smoothies (both milk and dark chocolate) are available for only \$2.50 each! Proceeds fund the Children's Choir Program. Get yours at coffee hour!

USED EYEGLASSES - you may have noticed a new addition to the table outside Heather's office - A box for collecting used eyeglasses. Our local Lions club has been collecting used eyewear to send overseas. Last year they shipped over 8,000 pairs to the sorting center in Calgary. Please note the cases cannot be re-used. If you have any questions please call me - Marilyn Bratti - 519-438-4346.

Come hear our Senior Choir sing in the Emmanuel Christmas concert at St. Paul's Cathedral, London, with the CCH Chamber Choir, El Sistema strings, Western Brass and Owen Spicer on the organ. December 9th at 3:00 p.m. No tickets—it's Free!

Mittens, Hats Scarves and Socks

Now that the cool weather is here, our guests at the Out of the Cold meals and Community Breakfasts will be needing warm hats, mitts, scarves and socks to help see them through the winter months. We plan to distribute these items at the Community breakfast, and continue into January at all Community meal programs. If you are a knitter, you will find balls of wool in the plastic bins at the back of the sanctuary. Please help yourself. If you don't knit, you might consider donating wool or warm socks. The Mitten Tree is up for you to display your creations. The folks at Wesley-Knox are always so generous. Thank you !

Events in Worship

December 2	Advent 1, Communion
December 9	Advent 2, Pageant
December 16	Advent 3, Choir Sunday Intergenerational Service Karen Pincombe, timpani
December 23	Advent 4, Handbells Night Passed - 7:00 p.m.
December 24	Christmas Eve - 7:00 p.m. Lessons & Carols - 10:00 p.m.

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