

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

FAITH IN ACTION SUNDAY **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017**

Guest Speaker:	Glen Pearson
Worship Leader:	Sheila Carson
Proclaiming the Word:	Mary Bee Haworth
Vocalist:	Kevin White
Hymn Leader	Book Kimber-Johnson
Organ:	Owen Spicer
	Mysterium

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:** 228 "Sing Praises to God"

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We come to worship you O God - the source of all understanding. You empower us to remember and to minister. You entrust us to reach out in community, here and around the world. Teach us to see and to serve.

All: *We are listening Lord. We come as we are. We are sorry that we have forgotten to love, forgotten to act. We are humbled by our blindness to others. Give light to our eyes, and strength to our hands. We ask this in your name. Amen.*

PRAYER OF APPROACH

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S HYMN: 572 "Send Me, Lord"

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

CHILDREN'S HYMN: 572

ANTHEM: Baba Yetu Christopher Tin
"Baba Yetu" was composed as the theme song for the video game, Civilization IV. In 2011, it became first piece of music composed for a video game to win a Grammy Award. It is a setting of the Lord's Prayer in Swahili.

Baba yetu, Yetu uliye Mbinguni yetu, Yetu amina!
Baba yetu Yetu uliye, Mjina lako e litukuzwe.

Our Father, who art in Heaven. Amen!
Our Father, Hallowed be thy name.

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 13:1-6
John 14:15-19

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

All: *Thanks be to God.*

MESSAGE: Those Whom History Forgets

WE RESPOND TO GOD

* **HYMN:** 603 "In Loving Partnership We Come"

MINUTE FOR MISSION

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: 509 "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

*** 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: Praeludium

Schroeder

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!

We give thanks for the Life and Witness of Flora Chute, who entered the presence of her Lord on October 24, 2017.

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TODAY

Apple Pies Orders are available to pick-up in the Social Hall. Extras available to purchase.

District Visitors: Kindred Spirit Connections and visitor lists are ready today. Please record changes and updates on the list and return to the church office.

THIS WEEK

Monday, November 20 -

Property - 7:00 p.m. - Chapel

Tuesday, November 21 -

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

Shine - 6:00 p.m. - SS Rm

Membership & Development - 6:30 p.m. - Parlour

Grief Support Group - 7:00 p.m. - Chapel

Wednesday, November 22 -

Senior's Connection -1:00 p.m. - Armchair Yoga in the parlour

Bells - 6:30 p.m. - Sanctuary

PRG - 7:00 p.m. Parlour

Thursday, November 23 -

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. - Grade 9- University

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

Friday, November 24 -

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

GENERAL

Rev. Tracy will be out of the office until Saturday Nov. 25th. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Lisa Morris, our Pastoral Care and Membership Coordinator, by Confidential Phone 519-673-4803, **ext 204** or email at wesleyknoxpastoralcare@gmail.com.

WOW!! A total of 370 pounds were given to the food bank this thanksgiving through the food drive and the

garden AND a total of \$23, 967 was raised for the people of South Sudan from the concert and the art sale!! Thanks to all who helped and all who participated (in body and spirit!)

District Visitors Meeting. Please attend a short meet and greet with Lisa Morris, our new Pastoral Care and Membership Coordinator, next Sunday November 26th in the chapel following the service. Light refreshments provided.

Upcoming Taizé Worship, Sunday November 26th, 7:00 p.m. Wesley-Knox is pleased to offer our second Taizé service. Taizé worship is built around the repetition of short, easy-to-learn songs, scripture readings, reflections, short prayers and silence. The overall purpose is to open each worshiper's heart to God and let God flow in. We hope you will want to take part in this service. It may be just what you are looking for to be refreshed in spirit before the busyness of the Advent season.

Hockey Tickets! Our amazing Boys' Choir will be singing 'O Canada' AND the 'Star-Spangled Banner' at the London Knights Hockey Game on Sunday, December 10 at 2:00. We have 100 tickets to sell for this game against the Erie Otters. This is a MAJOR fundraiser for our choir programs. Tickets are at a discount for \$20. See the Boys' Choir rep, Maggie Logan, downstairs at Coffee Hour!

Salvation Army Christmas Kettle (S.A.C.K.) Monday, December 11th to Saturday, December 16th. Contact Richard at 519-438-1597 for more info.

Christmas Cheese - Order forms are now available to place your order for delicious cheese, just in time for Christmas. You can pick up your order form at coffee hour, or from the back table in the sanctuary. Or pick one up from Cathie. Last date to order is Nov. 22. Delivery date and pickup is Dec. 7, 4-7 pm. All proceeds support the Out of the Cold program

On Tuesday Nov. 28 at 1:00 p.m. We have over 200 dozen cookies to package. The Bazaar committee needs helpers to tie ribbons, and to put cookies in packages. We should be done by 3:00. Meet us there in the kitchen. Thank you. Mary Anne 519-317-1930.

Seniors Connection is making Christmas Cookies with Cathie Banks and Merry Wester in the kitchen Wednesday, November 29th at 9:30 a.m. Followed by lunch in the Social Hall. Please let Paul Stewart (519) 432-0040 know by Sunday November 26th if you plan on attending.

Door Greeters for the December 2nd Christmas Bazaar are needed. The shifts are ½ hour. A sign up sheet is on the UCW bulletin board. This is an excellent opportunity to show our visitors what a warm and friendly church we are and welcome them to join us. Please consider this position. Men and women greeters are both welcome.

Chic Boutique - clothing donations can now be brought in for the Christmas Bazaar December 2nd! Please bring clean, gently used clothing, shoes, purses, jewelry (no pants this year) to the second floor Sunday school room at the rear of the building. Proceeds support local London Women. If people have clothing racks or stack-able boxes (milk crates) these would be helpful for display items for the sale.

Be sure not to miss the Wesley-Knox Christmas Concert, "Feliz Navidad", Saturday, December 2nd at 8:00 p.m. Glorious gospel and traditional Christmas music. Tickets can be purchased during coffee time after the service, from the Church Office, from any choir member or Tuckey's.

Knitting Up A Storm + Socks - Yes, we are adding socks to our request. A new pair of warm socks is always a welcome during the cold winter months. The wool in the 3 bins at the back of the church has been sorted into "like" bundles. Please help yourself. The donation candy cane is now up to receive your donations. We have collected many toques, scarves and mitts already but can always use more over the winter season. These articles are distributed to the clients at the Community Breakfast and Out of the Cold Meals at Wesley-Knox.

Mark your calendars - "SOUP"ER SUNDAY

A Fundraiser lunch for the Out the Cold Meal Program at Wesley-Knox. Sunday, January 21, 2018 after church. Advance tickets only. Tickets will go on sale December and January.

Thursday Security - Please consider offering to spend 1 1/2 hours on a Thursday evening to help with choir security from 4:30-6:00pm each week. The schedule for 2018 is up on the Stewardship bulletin board just outside the Parlour. Or you can see Cathie at coffee hour.

Speaking My Truth - Reflections on Reconciliation & Residential School - To receive a complimentary copy

of this book contact Lisa Morris.

The Transgender Day of Remembrance,

November 20, was set aside to recognize those who have been killed due to ignorance and hatred, targeted because they were trans or gender non-conforming. For more information from the United Church of Canada, please see <http://www.united-church.ca/worship-special-days/transgender-day-remembrance>

Important appeal: 600,000 Rohingya refugees have fled their homes in Myanmar for safety in Bangladesh due to the violence they were experiencing in their homeland. The Canadian government has launched a special 1:1 funding match to support help for these refugees. As well, the Canadian Foodgrains Bank will match donations at a 4:1 match. In essence that means for every \$100.00 donated, \$600.00 in aid is generated. If you wish to participate, please place a cheque or cash in the pew envelope, and place on the offering plate or deliver to the Church office, ensuring that it is clearly identified as for the Rohingya Refugee Crisis. The deadline to participate is Nov. 28. Individual tax receipts are issued for amounts of \$10.00 or over.

A place where good things happen....

2017 has been another year of growth at Wesley Knox. Together we have focused on expanding our ministry, our choirs, our senior's programs, and our youth and community programs. We strive to be a diverse, welcoming, caring and active faith community that makes a difference in the world.

As we approach the final few weeks of 2017 please remember Wesley Knox as you plan your charitable givings. Please consider what Wesley Knox means to you and what you can do to financially support all the good things that happen here at Wesley Knox.

At the November 12th service we asked every household to consider a special Christmas donation to Wesley Knox of \$200. We depend on your generosity and we thank you for every charitable donation, great or small, that you can give to support the life and work of Wesley Knox.

Events in Worship

November 26	Handbells, Cathie Banks, director Taizé Worship Service at 7:00 p.m.
December 3	Advent 1; Communion
December 10,	Pageant
December 17	Choir Christmas Sunday Night Passed Service at 7:00 p.m.