

### Staff Emails

Interim Mod.	Rev. Deb Dolbear-Van Bilsen	revdeb1717@gmail.com
Organist	Sandy Kazubowski-Houston	amadeusz.scherzo@gmail.com
Outreach & CE	Meghan Brockington	m.brockington@knoxstthomas.ca
Office Admin	Kathy Kestle	office@knoxstthomas.ca
Communications	Aylin Görgün	communications@knoxstthomas.ca

Church Phone 519-631-2414  
www.knoxstthomas.ca

**Church office hours** Monday to Thursday 9am – 1pm

(NOTE: please call ahead as the door is locked on Fridays)

**Sunday Kool:** Knox Sunday Kool runs from after the children's time until the conclusion of the worship service.

**Looking for...**

**Worship Bags for children aged 0-5, 5-12 years?**

They are in on the pew in the narthex (the space just outside the sanctuary where you receive a bulletin)

**A Bible to take to your pew?**

They are located at every entrance to the sanctuary in the narthex. Ask an usher, if you don't see one!

**The Nursery?**

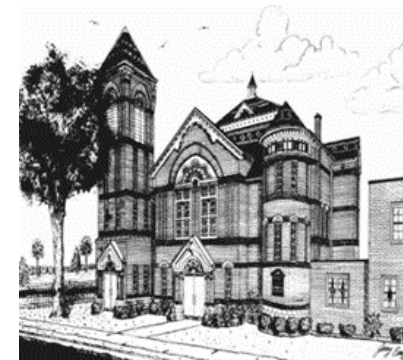
The Nursery is located in the Christian Education Hall (the building adjacent to the main sanctuary). Go to the rear parking lot entrance. The nursery is located just off the large hallway that is off of this entrance.

**Copies of the latest edition of PCConnect (our denomination's newspaper) are available on the tables in the front foyer! Please pick one up!**

CCLI License # 1262944 One License # 729583-A Valid: 12/19/2024-12/18/2025.



**Knox Presbyterian Church**  
**55 Hincks Street, St. Thomas, Ontario**  
**N5R 3N9**



**Founded in 1837**

**March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**10:30am**

*To all who would know God and do God's will; to all who would live and serve to make the world better; to all who seek comfort and would find rest; to old and young, wise and unlearned, rich and poor, saint and sinner, this church opens wide its doors and in the name of Jesus Christ bids you welcome to our Father's house.*

# Enter to Worship

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Please support the search for our new minister by filling the front pews!

Prelude	Carrickfergus	Traditional
Welcome and Announcements		
Call to Worship		
Hymn*	313	Oh worship the King
Opening Prayer and the Lord's Prayer		(trespasses)

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Youth Hymn*	498	Sing them over again to me
Children's Time		
<i>(sing the last verse of the youth hymn as the children are dismissed)</i>		
Responsive Reading	Psalm 27	Diane Pease

The Lord is my light and my salvation— whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid?

**When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall.**

Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then I will be confident.

**One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.**

For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.

**Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

Scripture	Luke 13:31-35	
Anthem	It Is Well With My Soul	M. Hayes
Message	Breaking God's Heart	Rev. Dennis Cook

## WE RESPOND IN FAITH AND SERVICE

Offering and Offertory	Selections	Karen Rymal
Doxology*		

# Leave to Serve

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!*

## Prayers of Dedication

## Prayers of the People

Hymn\* 324 Great is thy faithfulness

## Benediction\*

Postlude Andante S. Rachmaninoff

*If you leave during the postlude, please do so quietly.*

**Welcome to worship!** Whether you are a long-time member or new to our congregation, we hope you feel welcomed and at home today. If you are visiting, please fill in a visitor's card in your pew, and place it on the offering plate at the time of collection. Washrooms are located at the Mitchell Street entrance and the rear parking lot entrance. There is also a washroom in the CE Hall.

**Thanks** to the Board of Managers for providing ushers for today's service, to Grant Brown who is on security, and to the Ellis team for hosting coffee break.

**Today's online service** is sponsored by Randy & Sue Mills in memory of Vivian Mills who passed away on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

**The Church Session** has decided to strengthen the Knox security protocol by ensuring that the church doors are kept locked at all times. On weekdays and Saturdays, the Mitchell Street door will be the only point of entry twenty minutes prior to the start of meetings and the door must be locked before the meeting begins. On Sundays, the choir will open the Mitchell Street door before 9:00 am and relock it at 9:30 am before the choir practice begins. Entry for the morning service will be by the front door and the east (parking lot) door only.

**Pastoral care** has arranged for Bob Hubert and his son to come to the church and present a slide show of Hawks Cliff. Date is Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 in Rodney Hall. Anyone interested is welcome to join. If you need a ride please call Pat Palmer at 519-764-2368 or Randy Mills at 519-633-5927.



**Bookworms** - In our endeavour to get foot traffic into the Library, we are taking small steps. Every two weeks a selection of books, will be pulled and made available in Rodney Hall during coffee time for signing out. In addition, a cross section of books will be highlighted that we hope you will read and enjoy. We will be adding books to the Library and evaluating the shelf life of some others in order to serve you better. We welcome your input and thoughts.

**Tru Earth Fundraiser** - If you are looking for laundry and cleaning products that are "100% made in Canada", please consider Tru Earth products. Take a minute and read about this company at [ca.tru.earth](http://ca.tru.earth) Knox has partnered with this company for a number of years. All products sold through the Knox Church website receive 20% of the revenue. This money is credited to the Knox Presbyterian Women, supporting their ongoing work in the church. Go to the Knox website and look under the tab labelled "Service" to find the link for the "Tru Earth Fundraiser". There are lots of Knox folks who use these products regularly and who can attest to their quality. If you need more information, need help with ordering, or aren't comfortable placing an order online, contact Donna Ellis at 519-207-8029 for assistance.

**Knox Rummage Sale** will be March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9-12. Start cleaning out closets and basements! Donations will be accepted Thursday March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1-8 and Friday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 9-4. If you would like to volunteer please contact Joy Wendling. Donations will be accepted Thursday March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1-8 and Friday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 9-4. No furniture please. If you have any questions, please call Pam O'Sullivan.

**Sew It Seams** are once again making Hygiene Kits for the girls in Malawi. Without these kits they miss school several days a month as they do not have supplies. We would appreciate any financial donation to help support this endeavour. You can drop off your financial donation at the office in an envelope clearly marked for Sew It Seams or hand it directly to Marg Rieger. Thank you for your support.

**Our annual women's retreat** held at Camp Kintail is quickly approaching! This year's retreat is being held April 4-6<sup>th</sup>. The cost for the weekend is \$130, thanks to a generous sponsorship from the Knox Presbyterian Women. The cost includes lodging, catering, all supplies needed for the retreat as well as all walking and hiking trails around the site. There is room for 35 women to attend the retreat, and spaces fill quickly so please contact Meghan as soon as possible to secure your spot. March 26<sup>th</sup> is the cutoff date to register. Please note that there are only a hand full of private rooms, most accommodations are shared. Priority to private rooms will be given to those with medical needs. Please let Meghan know if you have a friend you would like to room with. We look forward to this amazing weekend of fun and fellowship!

**THIS WEEK AT KNOX**

**Sunday Mar 16<sup>th</sup> to Mar 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

Today	11:30 am	Coffee Break (Rodney Hall)
Monday	6:30 pm	Embers (CE Hall)
Monday	7:00 pm	Board of Managers (Library)
Tuesday	9:00 am	Golden K (Rodney Hall)
Tuesday	12:00 pm	Pastoral Care (Rodney Hall)
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Knox leads service at Elgin Manor
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Girl Guides (CE Hall)
Wednesday	9:30 am	Indoor Playground (CE Hall)
Wednesday	10:30 am	Bible Study (Library)
Wednesday	3:00 pm	Knox leads service at Royal Oak
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Scouts (CE Hall)
Thursday	9:30 am	Crafters (CE Hall)
Thursday	10:00 am	Organ & Music (Zoom)
Thursday	1:00 pm	Rummage Sale Set Up (Building)
Thursday	1:00 pm	Knox Knits (Library)
Thursday	2:00 pm	Knox leads service at Seasons
Thursday	7:00 pm	Choir (Sanctuary)
Thursday	7:30 pm	The Winner's Circle (Library)
Friday	9:00 am	Rummage Sale Set Up (Building)
Saturday	9:00 am	Rummage Sale (Building)
Saturday	3:00 pm	Choral Connection (Sanctuary)
Sunday	10:30 am	Morning Worship – Lent 3 (Sanctuary)
Sunday	11:45 am	Knox Annual General Meeting (Rodney Hall)

**Next Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Ushers organized by	Sew-It-Seams & Crafters
Coffee Break is organized by	Pease/Meathrell Team
Security person is	Desmond Chui

**Upcoming Events!**

**Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 9 am - 12 pm** Rummage Sale (Rummage can be brought in from Monday March 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday March 21<sup>st</sup> and placed in the "spare room" BESIDE the nursery off the CE Hall).

**Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>** Annual Congregational Meeting following coffee break (bring a sandwich, if you think you will be hungry!). Annual reports will be ready to pick up on Sunday March 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm** Knox Rocks for kids grades 4 – 8.

**Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am - 10:00 am** Knox Breakfast in Rodney Hall. \$2 per person or \$5 per family for pancakes, sausage, fruit, juice, coffee, tea & more.