

## Staff Emails

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### Church office hours

Monday to Thursday 9am – 1pm

### Looking for...

#### **Worship Bags for children aged 0-1, 2-3 and 4-6 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 at the foyer & Mitchell St. entrance.

#### **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.

#### **Connections?**

Please visit our website or like us on Facebook and Instagram!

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

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



**Founded in 1837**

**February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026  
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

Prelude	Andante	Dr. Laura Bolt
Welcome and Announcements		
Call to Worship		
Hymn*	422	Sing a new song unto the Lord (trespasses)
Opening Prayer and the Lord's Prayer		

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Youth Hymn*	730	Oh for a world v1-2
Children's Time		

*(sing the third verse of the youth hymn as the children are dismissed)*

Responsive Reading	Cor 1:26-31	Gail McNaughton
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Let us consider our calling, brothers and sisters. At that time, were we wise by human standards?

**No, not many. Not powerful or noble, either. But God called us.**

God chooses what seems "foolish" to the world, to shame the wise.

**To shame the strong, God chooses what is "weak" in the world.**

Christ became for us God's wisdom and sanctification and redemption.

**So, if we want to boast, we'll boast of God's goodness. Amen.**

Scripture	Matthew 5:1-16
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Anthem	Sing for Joy in the Lord	J.M. Stevens
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Message	Existential Blessing	Rev. Donna Kerrigan
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## WE RESPOND IN FAITH AND SERVICE

Offering and Offertory	Pièce	Dr. Laura Bolt
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Doxology*		
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*As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold, as with joy they hailed its light,  
leading onward, beaming bright, all our treasures now we bring Christ to thee, our  
heavenly King.*

Prayer of Dedication		
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Prayers of the People		
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Hymn*	671	I heard the voice of Jesus say
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Benediction*		
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# LEAVE TO SERVE

## Postlude

Variation 18

S. Rachmaninoff

**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 Choir for providing ushers for today's service, to Mary Kay Baker who is on security, and to the J & B Macpherson team for hosting coffee break.

**Knox Presbyterian Women** will be honouring Black History Month this year. Save the date, **February 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 1 pm** in Rodney Hall. We have a speaker coming to talk about the Underground Railroad. Come join us for an afternoon of information and goodies.

**Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup> 7 pm** The Big Sing Thing where the audience becomes the choir in the Sanctuary! This Hospice of Elgin fundraiser with Mark Payne & Pat Morrison features the music of The Beatles. Tickets are available in office and are \$40 each.

**Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm - 7 pm** Pancake & Sausage Supper. Adults/\$8, children/\$4, preschool/free, families (2 adults + school aged children)/\$22. Sponsored by the Knox Men's Club and Knox Youth to support upcoming youth events.

**Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am** Ash Wednesday Service in Lyle Chapel.

**Knox Board of Managers Night Out** Chicken & Rib dinner on Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at the St. Thomas Curling Club 38 Parkside Dr., St. Thomas, ON. Doors open at 6 pm. Dinner is served at 7 pm. Tickets are \$60 each (a partial tax receipt will be issued) and you can contact any of our Board members for tickets: [REDACTED]

**St Thomas Music Festival!** Knox is pleased to host the School Choir and Choral Speaking events on Tuesday, Feb 24<sup>th</sup> from 9 am till 1 pm. Also, the Community Choir event is held here on Wednesday evening Feb 25<sup>th</sup>. We need a few volunteers that evening. Our Knox Sr Choir is participating, and it is sure to be a good evening! If you would like to volunteer or just would like to attend, please contact Pat Thornton [REDACTED] or text/call [REDACTED]. If you are not available either of those times, but are interested in helping other days, please contact Pat.

## PLEASE BE AWARE

The City of St. Thomas Recycling Program no longer includes Churches.

It would be greatly appreciated if we could all help out by taking home any recyclable containers or packaging that we bring into our church and put them in our own residential recycling.

These small things we do help to make a big difference! Thank you for any assistance you can provide.

Knox Presbyterian Women



## THIS WEEK AT KNOX

### Sunday Feb 1<sup>st</sup> to Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

Today	11:30 am
Monday	6:30 pm
Tuesday	9:00 am
Tuesday	9:00 am
Tuesday	9:30 am
Tuesday	1:00 pm
Tuesday	6:00 pm
Wednesday	9:30 am
Wednesday	7:00 pm
Thursday	1:00 pm
Thursday	1:00 pm
Thursday	7:00 pm
Thursday	7:30 pm
Friday	2:00 pm
Friday	6:30 pm
Saturday	9:00 am
Saturday	3:00 pm
Sunday	10:30 am

Coffee (Rodney Hall)
Embers (CE Hall)
Golden K (Rodney Hall)
Sew-It-Seams (CE Hall)
Archives (Library)
Knox Presbyterian Women (RH & Kitchen)
Girl Guides (CE Hall)
Indoor Playground (CE Hall)
Session (Rodney Hall)
Worship Committee (Minister's Office)
Knox Knits (Library)
Choir (Sanctuary)
The Winner's Circle (CE Hall)
Concert Set Up (Building)
The Big Sing Thing (Sanctuary)
Knox Breakfast (Rodney Hall)
Choral Connection Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Morning Worship (Sanctuary)

### Next Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>

Ushers organized by  
No Coffee Break  
Security person is

Foodgrains  
Pay-It-Forward Luncheon  
Brian Bolt

**The Nominating Committee** serves as support for all committees of Session in recruiting new members to help ensure that all committees have adequate membership. The Organ and Music Committee is an active committee that is looking to increase their membership. The Christian Education Committee and the Nominating Committee are also looking to increase their membership. Anyone interested in learning more about these committees, or any Knox committee can speak with Pat Meathrell [REDACTED] or Janet Barrett [REDACTED].

**The Kintail Women's Retreat** will be held March 6-8. The theme for the weekend is "Recharging Your Soul", and the cost is \$150. If you would like more information or to secure your spot, please speak to Meghan. Registration closes on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.