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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
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October 18th, 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	Reflection at Birch Lake	Laura Bolt
Welcome and Announcements		
Call to Worship		
Hymn*	534	All who hunger, gather gladly <i>(trespasses)</i>
Opening Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer		

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Youth Hymn*	730	Oh, for a world where everyone
Children’s Time		
<i>(sing the last verse of the youth hymn as the children are dismissed)</i>		
Responsive Reading		Marg Rieger

Give thanks to God with your whole heart. Sing praises to God’s holy name.

We will gladly tell of God’s wonderful deeds and exult in God’s goodness forever.

May the Creator enforce the cause of justice and rule from the seat of righteousness.

Then shall the nations be rebuked for their wickedness, their names blotted out forever.

Be gracious to those who suffer, Lord, and they will rejoice in your deliverance.

The needy shall not be forgotten, nor the hope of poor ones perish. Rise up, O God. You never forsake those who seek you. Amen.

Scripture	Mark 8:1-9a	
Anthem	Must Have Been Angels	<i>T. Chinn</i>
Message	I Have Compassion	Nora Martin CFB

WE RESPOND IN FAITH AND SERVICE

Offering and Offertory	Laura Bolt
Doxology*	
<i>For the fruits of all creation, thanks be to God; for the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God. In our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God’s will is done.</i>	
Prayer of Dedication	
Prayers of the People	

LEAVE TO SERVE

Hymn*	635	Brother, sister, let me serve you
Benediction*		
Postlude	Sea of Reflection	Laura Bolt

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, and to Bert Donaldson who is on security.

This morning we welcome to our service, Nora Martin, Canadian Foodgrains Bank Ambassador and her husband Steve McInnis. Both are members of Knox Presbyterian Church Woodstock, and are advocates of Foodgrains, promoting this organization throughout Oxford and surrounding counties. We thank them for being an important part of our Harvest activities this morning.

TODAY IS CANADIAN FOODGRAINS SUNDAY AT KNOX

The congregation today is invited to support your Foodgrains Committee by joining us for a nutritious **“Harvest Lunch”** after the service. Featured will be 10 soups, all made from local produce, dinner rolls, cake and ice cream. Free-will offerings will be accepted.

You will never know the people your gift has helped but be assured that many people, desperate from the effects of conflict, natural disasters and drought, will benefit from your generosity.

Fully receipted donations to Canadian Foodgrains can be made using envelopes available in the pews or at the tables in Rodney Hall.

Thank you for your continued support of the Foodgrains Committee project to eliminate global hunger.



UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

KPW will have have a “Clothing Only” sale on Saturday, October 31st in Rodney Hall. Donations will only be accepted on Thursday October 29th 1-4 and Friday October 30th 9-12.

All are invited to a hockey tournament in support of Rev Mavis’ son-in-law Scott Martin, “The Martin Comeback Classic, 7 - 10 pm on Friday, October 23rd, and 8 am - 10 pm on Saturday, October 24th at the Palmerston Arena.

 **BIRTHDAY DINNER! - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21st, 5:30 p.m.** Is your birthday in August, September or October? The Knox Welcome Committee is hosting a birthday dinner at BOSTON PIZZA. Bring a guest if you choose. (Sorry, everyone pays for their own meal. 😊) Please **PREREGISTER by Wednesday, October 14th** by emailing Diane Pease a [REDACTED]

A Family Pumpkin Carving Night on Wednesday, October 28th at 6 pm \$2 pumpkin or \$5/family in the CE & Rodney Halls. All supplies included!

Donations of newspapers and candy are needed for the Pumpkin Carving night.

Mess Fest PD Day Camp Monday, October 26th, 2026, from 9 am to 3:30 pm. Wear clothes that can get messy! \$10/Child or \$20/Family. Registration required. Please email [REDACTED] or office@knoxstthomas.ca and be sure to include your children’s names, ages, grades, and parent contact information (both phone number and email address).

Time is running out for new additions to this year’s Remembrance Day binders! If you have anything you would like added, please bring them before October 18th.

Display in Rodney Hall from the Archives

- Oct 5 Fellowship Club repeat as requested by Congregation
- Oct 12 Sunday School Past to 2014
- Oct 18 Sparks and Scouts
- Oct 25 Reformation Sunday - Magic Lantern, Glass Slides, Establishment of Sunday School, Forest Ave and the early years
- Nov 1 Anniversary
- Nov 8 Remembrance Day - binders and new additions
- Nov 15 Choir
- Nov 22 - Dec. 20 Advent, Christmas Pageant, and other Christmas related activities.

THIS WEEK AT KNOX

Sunday Oct 18th to Oct 25th

Today	11:30 am	Foodgrains Luncheon (Rodney Hall)
Monday	9:30 am	Indoor Playground (CE Hall)
Monday	1:30 pm	Excursion to Parks Blueberries (Parking Lot)
Monday	6:30 pm	Embers (CE Hall)
Monday	7:00 pm	Board of Managers (Library)
Tuesday	9:00 am	Golden K (Rodney Hall)
Tuesday	9:00 am	Sew-It-Seams (CE Hall)
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Knox leads worship at Elgin Manor
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Girl Guides (CE Hall)
Wednesday	9:00 am	Kitchen Whiches (Kitchen)
Wednesday	3:00 pm	Knox leads worship at Royal Oak
Wednesday	6:15 pm	Search Committee (Library)
Thursday	9:30 am	Crafters (CE Hall)
Thursday	1:00 pm	Knox Knits (Library)
Thursday	3:00 pm	Knox leads worship at Metcalfe Gardens
Thursday	7:00 pm	Choir (Sanctuary)
Saturday	7:30 pm	The Winner’s Circle (CE Hall)
Sunday	10:30 am	Morning Worship (Rodney Hall)

Next Sunday, Oct 25th

Ushers organized by	Book Club
Coffee Break	R & S Mills Team
Security person is	Ed Ellis

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

From CE: Please leave your sheet music in the pews for re-use. Our kids are trying to help save trees! Thank you!