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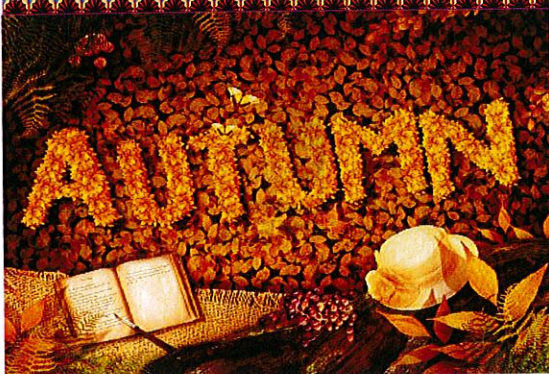
Next Holy Communion - October 7, 2018

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Upcoming Dates

- Oct. 7 World Communion Sunday, Thanksgiving Sunday, High School Grad Recognition
- Oct. 8 Thanksgiving Day- **Office Closed**
- Oct. 20 CKNX Radiothon & Bake Sale
- Oct. 21 Anniversary Sunday
- October 19—21 Kintail Sr. High School Retreat
- Nov. 4 Clocks go Back
- Nov. 11 Remembrance Day
- Nov. 13 Turkey Supper
- Nov. 25 Baptism Sunday



Happy
Thanksgiving



Pastor's Page

Change is tough because while we see the benefits in things that are new, we want to hold on to what we have.

In my recent downsizing move I was faced with what to do with the encyclopaedias. I clearly recall the evening we bought them from a saleslady in Innerkip. Although costly they seemed like a good investment. They would be a great resource for the kids for future school projects. And for an annual fee, the 'year books' would keep them current. I don't think the kids ever used them all that much. We moved to the city where the libraries were open seven days a week. And then the Internet came along. Even thrift stores don't want encyclopaedias.

This summer Knox underwent a renovation in the Sanctuary. While I think it looks great and Laura Tryssenaar was inspired in her ability to retain some of the older features, the change still requires letting go of the familiar.

On September 16th we ordained Mary Lynne Ament, Jim Brooks, Anneke Kreuger and Chris Nauta to the Session. However over the past months we've also had to part with a number of valued Elders who retired and some who passed away.

Some of you have had changes in your personal lives. Children have married or gone off to college or to a new job. Perhaps you or someone close to you has retired. It may have been necessary to give up a home because of physical challenges. Change can be good but it still involves letting go.

God calls us to remember that no matter what the changes, he is present with us. He leads us step by step into the future.

And those encyclopaedias? I tucked them away in the garage. My plan is to read an article a day when a retire – from A to Z! I may need to live to age 150!

Rev. Don McCallum



Knox SUNDAY School

September 2018



Ice Cream Sundae Sunday



The first day back for Sunday school **was Sunday September 9th**

To celebrate...everyone, including the adults, were treated to a "make your own" sundae following the 10:30 service. Special thanks to the Christian Education committee members for all the work they did to organize this fun day.



We have many spaces in the teaching schedule this year. The roles range from a "fill in" person for **one day**, to individuals who can teach for a **three week** block. The openings range from pre-school to youth. Lessons have been planned to the end of the year, so are available for you to receive in lots of time before you need to teach. Age appropriate lessons have been planned so that they should take up the entire time allotted, and supplies will be purchased for you ahead of time. It should not be difficult for anyone to teach a session going forward, with all the prep work done ahead of time. If you could possibly help, please contact Knox Sunday School Superintendent, Deanne Deelstra or Pam in the office at 519-291-4690.

Church School Envelopes

Church School envelopes do not have dates so you can use the same as last year. Envelopes need to have the family name or family envelope number on them in order for them to be eligible for a tax receipt. **If you are in need of a new box, or have never received envelopes, extra boxes are available in the church office.**



Mission Money

Our Sunday school sponsors a child through World Vision Canada. Our current sponsor child, Maria, lives in Nicaragua. If you would like to make a donation toward our sponsor child please fill in the **mission** part of your Church school envelope.

Updated Medical Forms



For the **safety of all children @ Knox**, it is very important that the Church School staff knows of any **allergies or medical conditions**...If your child has any new or worsening medical conditions, please notify the Church Office and the information will be passed onto the teaching staff..

Classes @ Knox...

Nursery: The nursery will be open each Sunday for children under the age of 3. It is staffed by parents and volunteers on a rotational basis. The Nursery has a direct feed from the sanctuary so parents will be able to hear the worship service while supervising the children. **The children in this class will need to be signed in and out by the parent or guardian.**

Primary Class: The Primary class is intended for children age 3 to those entering SK this school year. The Primary classroom is located upstairs, just down the hall from the Nursery. The Primary day starts with a bible story that is reinforced by a craft, song, or activity. **The Primary students will remain in their classroom until a parent or guardian picks them up.**

Rotational Model (Grades 1-6): These classes take place in the basement of the Christian education building. Kids will rotate to a different "station" each week to experience the lesson in a variety of ways. Stations include: **Computer Lab, Cooking, Drama, Puppetry, Movies/ Videos, Games, Crafts & Music.**

Youth Class Grade 7+: The grade 7 and older youth class will be upstairs in the youth room. **All students in grade 7 were presented with their own personal study Bible on Sundae Sunday, September 9th**, during the service. The Bibles are purchased through the Memorial Fund.

If you have any concerns or questions please contact Deanne Deelstra (dd@eastlink.ca) (cell: 519-807-3342) or the Church Office



Income & Expense Statement

January 1, 2018 - August 31, 2018

Income

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>Budget</u>
General Fund	\$ 126,912.54	\$ 126,757.83	\$ 157,336.88
Children's Fund	\$ 36.00	\$ 21.00	\$ 133.36
Presbyterians Sharing	\$ 16,498.64	\$ 16,486.64	\$ 18,800.00
Other Income	\$ 12,135.24	\$ 12,453.71	\$ 10,866.72
Other Missions/Restricted	\$ 26,099.28	\$ 28,713.72	\$ 16,810.00
Total Income	\$ 181,681.70	\$ 184,432.90	\$ 203,946.96

Expenses

Salaries/Personnel	\$ 108,185.60	\$ 114,892.69	\$ 114,318.31
Administrative Expenses	\$ 16,299.06	\$ 16,313.88	\$ 18,989.78
Building/Grounds	\$ 31,160.74	\$ 39,133.83	\$ 33,140.95
Missions/Outreach	\$ 35,631.56	\$ 35,500.37	\$ 27,978.72
Christian Education	\$ 2,116.68	\$ 1,758.47	\$ 5,653.36
Ministry Expenses	\$ 2,202.16	\$ 2,671.79	\$ 3,383.28
Library	\$ 1,311.73	\$ 1,144.59	\$ 1,466.72
Music Ministry	\$ 2,738.25	\$ 3,475.56	\$ 3,696.72
Miscellaneous	\$ 164.83		
248 Livingstone Expenses	\$ 5,889.63	\$ 7,593.34	\$ 6,537.92
Total Expenses	\$ 205,700.24	\$ 222,484.52	\$ 215,165.76
Excess Income\Expenses	\$ (24,018.54)	\$ (38,051.62)	\$ (11,218.80)

Net Cash Position

Net Cash Position on January 1, 2018	56,412.63	January 1, 2017	\$ 57,490.80
Excess Expenses	\$ (24,018.54)	Excess Expenses	\$ (38,051.62)
Net Cash Position on Aug. 31, 2018	\$ 32,394.09	August 31, 2017	\$ 19,439.18
Bank Balance August 31, 2018	\$ 34,159.91	August 31, 2017	\$ 26,707.17
HST Receivable	\$ (37.36)	GST Receivable	\$ 852.01
Less: Liabilities (Nicaragua)	\$ (1,728.46)	Less: Liabilities Held	\$ (8,120.00)
Net Cash Position on Aug. 31, 2018	\$ 32,394.09	August 31, 2017	\$ 19,439.18



Submitted By:

Pamela D. Coleman

Board of Managers Report

It has been a very busy summer. Thanks to Laura and all her volunteers for the renovation to the front of the sanctuary. This has proven that we have the ability within our own congregation to get jobs done. This was a very big undertaking and has turned out well. The ladies of the choir will certainly appreciate being able to face the congregation and the whole choir will be glad to not have to navigate the steps getting up and down from the loft. This made it possible for the congregation to make full use of the air-conditioned hall. Now that the summer is over, the board will be having regular meetings and getting back to the business of keeping the building in good order. We are trying to get as many as possible ongoing projects finalized.

Respectfully submitted,

Ivan Suggitt, Board of Managers Chairman

Wanted: Snacks for our Weekly 'Youth Class'!

Once again this year, we have decided to combine the Grade 7-8 and High School Classes into a weekly, Grade 7-12 'Youth Class' that will meet in the Youth Room upstairs. Lessons will be topical in nature and led by Nicole and other teachers.

As an added incentive for attendance, we would like to provide snacks, and could use some help in that department. If you could help out with snacks for up to 15 kids (muffins? Fruit? Bagels? Etc?) it would be a great help! Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Church Hall or contact the Church Office. Please encourage your Grade 7-12 students to attend as frequently as possible.

The **Fellowship Group** meets the fourth Friday from September to June. Everyone is welcome to join us for a variety of programs.

In September we will be visiting Camp Kintail for a tour and lunch. In the past we have had guest speakers, games nights, potlucks (we have some really great cooks), picnic in the park, theatres etc. Although most are senior we are young at heart.

Hope that you can come & join us.

For more information on upcoming meetings, contact Shirley Suggitt 226-430-2220.



CHURCH TURKEY SUPPER—Annual Turkey Supper with all the trimmings!

Tuesday, November 13, 2018,

5pm to 7pm. Eat-in and take-out available. Delivery available upon request.

Tickets go fast so don't be disappointed! Tickets go on sale in October and are available from the church office (519-291-4690) Mon.-Fri. 9am to 3pm or after church on Sunday's in October in the C.E. Building. Please also check out the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the C.E. Building, come October. We need help with preparing food, food donations and people to help serve the meal.

Proceeds go toward Knox Presbyterian Church, Listowel, General Fund.





KNOX BIBLE STUDIES

The bi-weekly *Monday Evening Bible Study* will continue on **September 24th** at **7:00 p.m.** Future meetings are October 15th and October 29th.

The *Tuesday Morning Bible Study* starts on **September 25th** and continues at 10:00 a.m. every Tuesday morning in the Parlour.

Everyone is welcome. For more information about the bible studies, contact the office.



Newspaper Recycling Fundraiser

Since January 2009, Knox has received a total of \$ 22,587.50 from the Home Hardware Distribution Center Newspaper Recycling Fundraiser. This money has helped the general fund pay for various maintenance expenses that have come up over the past few years. Please continue to ensure **only newspaper (NO advertisement flyers please)** is put in the red bin at the back of the church near the hedge. Please have papers either bound, boxed or in bags. NO loose papers please! Any questions about this program can be directed to the office. Thank you to Ivan Suggitt for sorting through the papers, putting the flyers into the recycle, then taking the newspapers to Home Hardware.

HOME COMMUNION

During the week following this upcoming Communion Sunday, October 7th, Rev. Don McCallum will be available to conduct Communion Services at home for our shut-ins, either individually or in small groups. If you would like to have Communion at home, please speak to your Elder, or call the Church Office. Rev. Don will then call you to arrange a suitable time.



Also, Communion Service will be conducted at the Caessant Care Retirement Home on Sunday, October 7 at 1:00 p.m.

This is an excerpt from a previous **Knox News** (Volume 15—Number 37, Published November 24, 1995)

During a recent ecumenical gathering, an Office Administrator rushed in shouting “The building is on fire!”

The Methodists gathered in the corner and prayed.

The Baptists cried “Where is the water?”

The Quakers quietly praised God for the blessings that fire brings.

The Lutherans posted a notice on the door declaring the fire was evil.

The Roman Catholics passed the plate to cover the damage.

The Jews posted symbols on the doors hoping that the fire would pass.

The Congregationalists shouted, “Every one for himself!”

The Fundamentalists proclaimed, “It’s the vengeance of God”

The Episcopalians formed a procession and marched out.

The Christian Scientists concluded that there was no fire.

The Presbyterians appointed a chairperson who was to appoint a committee to look into the matter and make a written report.

The Office Administrator grabbed the fire extinguisher and put the fire out.

Kin-Tales September 2018

Summer 2018 - By The Numbers

1700+ - Total number of campers

100 - Number of summer staff

28 - Number of Leaders in Training

16 - Kintail on the Road Programs

14 - International Staff from 3 continents

1 - Unforgettable summer!



Camp Kintail

Summer Camps | Day Camps | Retreats | Rentals

What a wonderful summer! There are so many delightful moments to remember - perfect beach days at Family Camp, campers learning to play the guitar, LITs learning and living in the Nest, VOKs serving the camp, cabins running around trying to win The Amazing Race, and campers excited to conquer the zipline. Whether it is in the quiet of a starry night, the excitement of primetime, the questions during FLASH, or the connection between cabin-mates, camp is full of moments to cherish.

A huge thank-you to the counsellors and staff of Kintail for making it all happen. Their dedication, commitment, compassion, and sense of fun is outstanding. They work at camp for their love of the campers, their love of the experience of camp, and their love of God. They are the heart of what we do here - and we are so proud of them! Good luck at school this year! And another huge thank you to all the parents, grand-parents, and churches who send children to Kintail. We work hard to ensure your trust everyday. We hope your children returned to you with new confidence, conviction, and empathy. We hope they came home singing songs about fruits of the Spirit and heaps of lambs. We can't wait to see your campers again next summer!

Adult Crafters Retreat - October 26 @ 7:00 pm - October 28 @ 1:00 pm cost: \$158.20

Need some time away to relax and get those crafting projects done? Come enjoy a catered weekend away with others who share your crafting passion. We welcome all crafters so bring your craft of choice and spend some time in at a place that's sure to get your creative juices flowing. There is plenty of room for all types of crafts, so bring what you have or come and try something new. Special sessions will be offered for those looking to learn new skills for a minimal cost. We have lots of bright and beautiful places to craft and the location will be sure to inspire.

High School Retreat - October 19 @ 7:00 pm - October 21 @ 1:00 pm cost: \$101.70

This a faith and fun filled weekend event just for high school students, grades 9-12, and their leaders. Kintail and the Presbyterian Young People's Society (PYPS) jointly host this event. Youth can come with a youth group or on their own. This weekend is a relaxed and comfortable way to get to know other young people searching to know more about their faith. All of Kintail's activities are available including the zip line, rockwall, archery, arts and crafts, and high ropes (well, except swimming, no one wants to go in Lake Huron in at the end of October!).

Come be inspired, try the zip line or flying squirrel, meet other youth, and experience Christian community!

Knox will pay 2/3 of the cost—talk to Pam in the office for registration code and cost to you.

An Especially Special Night - November 17 @ 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm cost : \$50.00

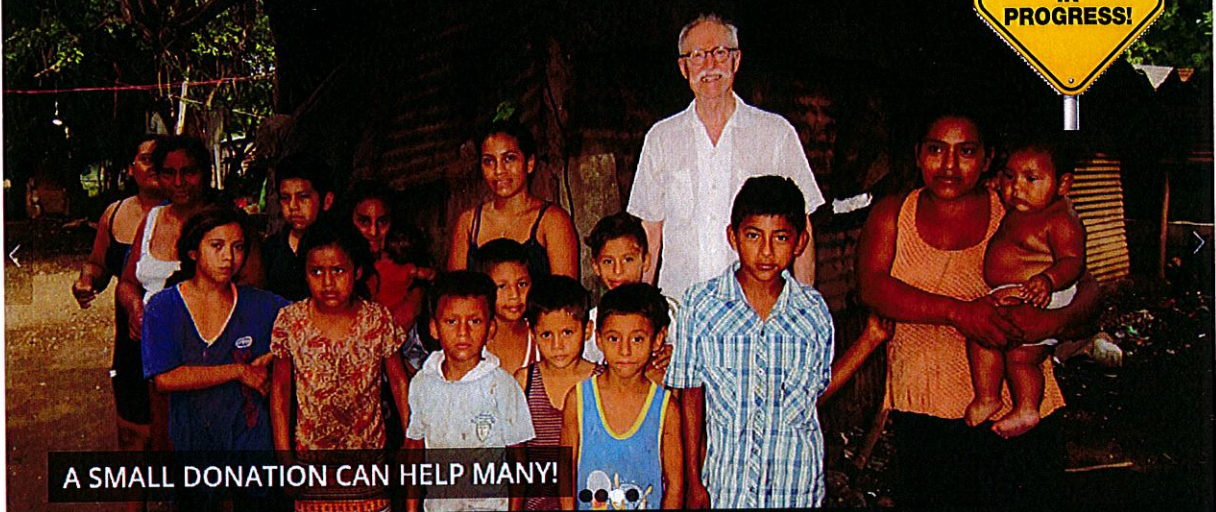
Join us at Camp Kintail on Saturday November 17th 2018 for An Especially Special Night! This evening of fun, food, fellowship and fundraising is in support of the Space to Grow campaign and the new building at Camp Kintail called The Nest. Tours of The Nest, an incredible meal and silent auction with many unique and one-of-a-kind items makes this an event you cannot miss!

Tickets are \$50, which includes a \$25 taxable donation to Camp Kintail.



PAN Missions Canada

Serving in Nicaragua since 1997



Mark 3rd portion of envelope 'PAN' or 'Nicaragua'

Presbyterians Aiding Nicaraguans (PAN) is planning a small mission trip to Nicaragua in October with the purpose of distributing food to some of the very poor in the barrios of the cities. The situation in Nicaragua has not been good since spring and there is a lack of jobs and therefore income to buy food and supplies.

We are holding an appeal during September and October and ask that you consider contributing, enabling PAN to buy bags of beans and rice to share with those who have so little.

Please mark the third portion of your giving's envelope 'PAN' or 'Nicaragua' if you would like to donate to this appeal.

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9:00 am – 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm