

# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We believe God is leading us to extend radical hospitality, build authentic community, and join in God's transforming work in the world.

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

## **VISITORS!**

We welcome you to our church today. We hope you receive a blessing and will come be a part of our church family again! Please fill out a pew card and ask for a welcome bag.

Today's service is intergenerational. We welcome all children who are worshiping with us.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 am | November 26, 2023

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

TIME FOR CENTERING

**BROWN BAG PAGEANT** 

SONG

PRAYER & OFFERING

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION** 

POSTLUDE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

New to the prayer list this week: Colton Dieterich; Lynn Keiper; Amara Adams; Dee Taylor

Rev. Dr. Tom MacMillan, Pastor

Rev. Susanne Bendoraitis, Executive Associate Pastor

Rev. Dr. Kristian Bendoraitis, Director of Alternative Worship and Digital Ministry

Craig Galinski, Director of Music

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## Sunday, November 26:

## Hanging of the Greens & Brown Bag Pageant

10 am - Worship (In-Person & Online)11 am - Healing Prayer Meeting/ Lounge

11 am - Coffee Hour/ Trinity Hall

7 pm - Al-Anon/ Lounge 7:30 pm - AA/ 108-109

## Monday, November 27:

11 am - AA Meeting/ 108-109 7 pm - Al-Anon/ Library

#### Tuesday, November 28:

7 am - Men's Bible Study/ Lounge

10 am - Staff/ Lounge 10:30 am - AA/ 108-109

1 pm - Women's AA/ 108-109

7 pm - BSA #700 Meeting/ Fellowship Hall, Youth Room

7 pm - Stephen Ministers/Lounge

#### Wednesday, November 29:

9:30 am - Wednesday Morning Bible Study/ Trinity Hall

9:30 am - Women's AA/ Youth Room

10 am - OA/ 108-109 11 am - Bridge/ Gallery

6 pm - Pancakes & Pajamas/ Trinity Hall 6:30 pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal/ 108-109 7 pm - Choir Rehearsal/ Sanctuary

#### Thursday, November 30:

9:30 am - Quilters/ 108-109

10 am - Toddler Time/ Fellowship Hall6 pm - Drop-In Grief Support Group/ Lounge

7 pm - Flute Rehearsal/ Sanctuary 7 pm - Disciple Group/ Library

# Friday, December 1:

8:30 pm - AA/ Fellowship Hall/Gallery 6:00 pm - Sue Novak Memorial Service

# Saturday, December 2:

9 am - Grounds Cleanup 1 pm - Women's AA/ 108-109

#### Sunday, December 3:

## **Communion Sunday/ Advent Begins**

10 am - Worship (In-Person & Online)10 am - Youth Sunday School/ Youth Room

10 am - Sunday School/ 107 & 135

11 am - 2nd Hour Experience Fall Prevention Workshop/

Fellowship Hall

11 am - Coffee Hour/ Trinity Hall7 pm - REMIX Practice/ Sanctuary

7 pm - Al-Anon/ Lounge 7:30 pm - AA/ 108-109

# John Knox Announcements - November 26, 2023

# STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: A BOLD STEP TOGETHER

We are grateful for all the ways you have accepted the invitation to invest in God's good work in support of the 2024 Steps of Faith Stewardship Campaign. We have received 127 pledges totaling \$507,000. This is great progress to meet our goal of \$938,000. If you have not had a chance to submit your commitment, you still have time to do so. Submit your pledge card to the church or make your pledge online at johnknoxpc.org/stewardship by Sunday, December 3. This will allow us time to begin planning for 2024. If you have any questions, please contact Mindi Schibley, our Finance Manager, at 440-777-3744 x102 or mschibley@johnknoxpc.org.

## **ONLINE PICTURE DIRECTORY**

Want an updated online picture directory? We do too! Help us by stopping by Trinity Hall after worship today, December 3, or December 10 to get your picture taken and update your information.

#### **ANGEL TREE**

John Knox is once again partnering with the Oxcart Pantry in its annual Adopt-a-Family program, helping families in the area have a better Christmas. The Angel Tree in Trinity Hall is filled with angels with gifts to purchase and bring back to the church. Simply pick an angel, sign the sign-up sheet corresponding with your angel, purchase the gift, and bring the wrapped gift back to the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Tunney at 440-454-3194, or kwtunney@yahoo.com. Thank you for your participation in this wonderful program that helps neighborhood families!

#### **PANCAKES AND PAJAMAS**

November 29 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM in Trinity Hall is Pancakes and Pajamas! There will be crafts, Gingerbread house decorating, and of course pancakes (plus sausage and hot chocolate). Don't forget to wear your pajamas!

#### **COOKIE EXCHANGE**

Join us for a cookie baking and exchange party on Thursday, December 7. Help bake cookies in the church kitchen from noon-4:30 PM, or you can bring finished cookies to exchange by 3:00 PM to the north door hallway outside of Trinity Hall. RSVP with type of cookie to Valerie Lyons, <a href="mailto:vlyons@prodigy.net">vlyons@prodigy.net</a> or text/call 216-236-3898.

## **CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2023**

JKPC will present a special Christmas program featuring the multi-talented musicians of the John Knox family Sunday, December 10, at 4:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Concert will include performances by the Chancel Choir, Bell Choir, Flute Ensemble, REMIX Band, and other small ensembles from our talented musicians. Join us in person or online. Reception will follow in Trinity Hall.

## **ROCK-CLIMBING NIGHT**

Do you want a rockin' night out before the holidays? Or maybe you're interested in reaching new heights? Join us for a couple's Rock-Climbing Night on Friday, December 1, from 7:00 – 9:00 PM at On The Rocks Climbing Gym in Elyria. Check out our sign-up link for more information or contact the office.

## **FALL PREVENTION WORKSHOP**

Join Kyle MacMillan, Physical Therapist and Owner of Bridge Rehab and Performance, in Fellowship Hall following worship on Sunday, December 3, for a workshop that will teach you how to improve your balance, bone density, posture, and reduce the risk for falling. Especially as winter approaches, it is crucial to make sure your body is balanced enough to avoid falls and fractures.

#### **EVENING OF REMEMBRANCE**

Our beautiful and reflective Evening of Remembrance will be on Tuesday, December 5, at 7:00 PM. This is an evening for members of our congregation and the community who have lost loved ones in past years. This very special meditative evening in the Sanctuary involves a candle lighting service, music, readings, and a meditation. Please contact the church office to give the name of your loved one being honored at <a href="mailto:info@johnknoxpc.org">info@johnknoxpc.org</a> or 440-777-3744.

## HATS, MITTENS, GLOVES AND SOCKS

Many in our community struggle to stay warm as the temperature drops. We are hoping you will help keep the hands and feet of our neighbors warm this winter. Congregational Life will be collecting new hats, mittens, gloves, and socks for those in need through December 10. Donations can be placed in the shopping bags around the Christmas tree near the north entrance. Distribution of the items will be coordinated by the Mission Committee. Please help make our donations generous.

