

# JOHN KNOX

## 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 is Communion Sunday. For those online, we invite you to gather your elements so that we may all share the Lord's Supper.

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

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 am | November 5, 2023

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Simple Gifts*

TIME FOR CENTERING

SONG *If We Ever Needed the Lord Before*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE *Deuteronomy 31:7-8, Exodus 33 :11-16*

SERMON Rev. Dr. Tom MacMillan

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN #547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

OFFERING

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Fugue in B Flat*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

New to the Prayer List: David Meabon

We pray for the friends and family of Jean Brenders who passed away last week.

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

Henry Guzik, Worship Assistant

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#### Sunday, November 5:

10 am - Worship (In-Person & Online)  
11 am - 2<sup>nd</sup> Hour Experience - Sermon Discussion/ Lounge  
11 am - Veterans' Brunch/ Trinity Hall  
11:30 am - Liturgical Movement Rehearsal/ Sanctuary  
7 pm - REMIX Practice/ Sanctuary  
7 pm - Al-Anon/ Lounge  
7:30 pm - AA/ 108-109

#### Monday, November 6:

10 am - Staff/ Lounge  
11 am - AA Meeting/ 108-109  
7pm - Personnel Meeting/ Gallery  
7 pm - Congregational Life/ Lounge  
7 pm - Al-Anon/ Library  
7 pm - Mission Committee/ 108-109

#### Tuesday, November 7:

7 am - Men's Bible Study/ Lounge  
10:30 am - AA/ 108-109  
1 pm - Women's AA/ 108-109  
7 pm - FAW (MacMillan)/ Lounge  
7 pm - BSA #700 Meeting/ Fellowship Hall, Youth Room

#### Wednesday, November 8:

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  
6:30 pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal/ 108-109  
7 pm - Finance Committee/ Lounge  
7 pm - Choir Rehearsal/ Sanctuary

#### Thursday, November 9:

9:30 am - Quilters/ 108-109  
10 am - Toddler Time/ Fellowship Hall  
6 pm - Knitters/ 108-109  
6 pm - NOICA Cooking Club/ Kitchen & Trinity Hall  
6 pm - Drop-In Grief Support Group/ Lounge  
7 pm - Flute Rehearsal/ Sanctuary  
7 pm - Disciple Group/ Library

#### Friday, November 10:

8:30 pm - AA/ Fellowship Hall/Gallery

#### Saturday, November 11:

1 pm - Women's AA/ 108-109

#### Sunday, November 12:

10 am - Worship (In-Person & Online)  
10 am - Youth Sunday School/ Youth Room  
10 am - Sunday School/ 107 & 135  
11 am - 2<sup>nd</sup> Hour Experience - Emotionally Safe Parenting with Jennifer Smith/ Fellowship Hall  
11 am - Healing Prayer/ Lounge  
11 am - Coffee Hour/ Trinity Hall  
11:15 am - Preschool Board Meeting/ Library  
11:30 am - Liturgical Movement Rehearsal/ Sanctuary  
7 pm - Al-Anon/ Lounge  
7:30 pm - AA/ 108-109

# John Knox Announcements – November 5, 2023

## STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: A BOLD STEP TOGETHER

On October 29, we were invited during Dedication Sunday to come forward and dedicate our pledges and support for the work of God at John Knox Church. It was a great celebration of the way God is active in and through our congregation as we are called to live out our vision to extend radical hospitality, build authentic community and join in God's transforming work in the world. We are grateful to those of you who have already turned in your pledge. Your financial commitment is an integral piece as to how our church will continue to support our ministries, our church building, and our staff. To date we have received 106 pledges totaling \$427,000. This is a great start toward meeting our goal of \$930,000. If you have not had a chance to submit your pledge, we'd love to hear from you. You can bring or mail your pledge to the church or make your pledge online at [johnknoxpc.org/stewardship](http://johnknoxpc.org/stewardship). If you have any questions concerning your pledge or ways to give, please contact Mindi Schibley, our Finance Manager, at 440-777-3744 x102 or [mschibley@johnknoxpc.org](mailto:mschibley@johnknoxpc.org).

## VETERANS' BRUNCH

Every year we host a special event to give back to our veterans and to personally thank them for their service. Following worship today, we invite all service men and woman to join us for brunch in Trinity Hall. The menu will include a variety of egg casseroles, sausage, fruit., desserts, and beverages. Everyone is welcome to attend!

## SECOND HOUR EXPERIENCES SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP

Following worship today, Glen Ploegstra and Marty Cook will lead a group in digging deeper into our fall theme of, "Be Bold. God Is with You. Move Forward." This group will be in the Lounge.

## PARENTING PROGRAM

Emotionally Safe Parenting with Jennifer Smith will be held in Fellowship Hall following worship next Sunday, November 12. This program is for parents and caregivers interested in learning more about how to support our children and youth in the world where they find themselves. Childcare will be provided. A painting activity will be available, and each child will have their own easel, brushes, paints, and choice of pictures to paint!

## WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP

Our next gathering will be Tuesday, November 14, from 7:00 to 8:00 PM in the Lounge. We will be preparing small Christmas gifts for the women and children at Laura's Home in Cleveland, along with our prayer time, video, and fellowship. If you wish to bring any items from the below list, we will be packaging them up for donation from our women's group: lotion, lip balm, hair ties, clips, combs, brushes, nail polish/small sized polish remover, stickers, coloring/activity books and crayons, gloves/mittens - women and children's' sizes.

## COMMUNITY MEAL HELP NEEDED

We plan to serve 450+ Thanksgiving meals at the November 21 Community Meal. We really need your help in one of 3 important ways: 1) bake and carve a turkey (contact Barb Forslund ([bforslund@gmail.com](mailto:bforslund@gmail.com))/610-639-2731) for details by November 13; 2) bake loaves of quick bread (contact Valerie: [vlyons@prodigy.net](mailto:vlyons@prodigy.net)/216-236-3898); and/or 3) sign up to help on a team on November 20 or 21 to prepare sides/pack food/cleanup, etc. Please contact Barb Brown ([bbsfaith@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bbsfaith@sbcglobal.net)) to get your name on the list of volunteers. Watch for a signup link coming soon in the next Mid-Week Blast. Thanks so much!

## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Poinsettia plant orders are being taken through November 20. Plant colors include red, white, or pink. These will be used to decorate the church during Advent and are available for you to take home after the Christmas services. You may also donate a plant for the John Knox Deacons to deliver to a homebound church member during the first week of Advent. Sponsorships are \$7.00 per plant, payable to John Knox Church, indicating "Christmas Poinsettia" on the memo. For more information, contact Tom Haag at (440)250-0854.

## BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS

Be the Bridge will offer its selection of library books for checkout on Sunday, November 12, during Coffee Hour. We have an interesting collection of adult, teen, and children's books. Plan to stop by our table and check out what is available. This month we are featuring a new children's book entitled *Back of the Bus*. This beautifully written and illustrated book chronicles the day Rosa Parks refused to go to the back of the bus. It is told through the eyes of a child who will never forget. Written by Aaron Reynolds and illustrated by Floyd Cooper the book is appropriate for children 6-8 (grade levels 1-3).

## COOKING CLUB

Be the Bridge is excited to introduce a Cooking Club with our friends from NOICA. They will provide the ingredients and the instruction as we learn how to prepare some of their cultural delicacies. Even better - we will sample the finished product! Three classes are planned. All classes will be held in Trinity Hall. The first is Thursday, November 9 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please plan to join us as we continue to learn more about each other. Reservations are a must! Please contact Connie Smith at [connie928smith@gmail.com](mailto:connie928smith@gmail.com) to save your spot.

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