

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Advent

10:00 am | December 10, 2023

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

HYMN #82 *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

TIME FOR CENTERING

MUSIC *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*

SHALOM VIDEO

SCRIPTURE *Isaiah 9:2, 6-7, 40:1-5*

SERMON Rev. Dr. Tom MacMillan

HYMN #123 *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (1,4,5)*

PRAYER & OFFERING

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

HEALING PRAYER (in lounge)

New to the prayer list this week: Paulette Majka; Jose Vasquez; Ruby Carter; Mary Schroeder; The O'Connor Family; Dee Taylor

Please uplift in prayer the family and friends of Dorothy Morgan who passed away on December 3. A memorial service was held at John Knox yesterday.

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

Vicky Slowik, Oboe

Isabel Tinline, Liturgical Movement

Dave Wahl, Worship Assistant

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Sunday, December 10:

10 am - Worship (In-Person & Online)
10 am - Youth Sunday School/ Youth Room
10 am - Sunday School/ 107 & 135
11 am - Healing Prayer/ Lounge
11 am - Coffee Hour/ Trinity Hall
11:15 am - Preschool Board Meeting/ Library
4 pm - Christmas Concert/ Sanctuary
7 pm - Al-Anon/ Lounge
7:30 pm - AA/ 108-109

Monday, December 11:

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

Tuesday, December 12:

7 am - Men's Bible Study/ Lounge
10 am - Staff/ Lounge
10:30 am - PEO Ch. AF/ Trinity Hall
10:30 am - AA/ 108-109
1 pm - Women's AA/ 108-109
4:30 pm - Building & Grounds Meeting/ Lounge
7 pm - "Pause" Women's Small Group/ Lounge
7 pm - BSA #700 Meeting/ Fellowship Hall, Youth Room

Wednesday, December 13:

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 - Choir Rehearsal/ Sanctuary

Thursday, December 14:

9:30 am - Quilters/ 108-109
10 am - Toddler Time/ Fellowship Hall
6 pm - Knitters/ 108-109
6 pm - Drop-In Grief Support Group/ Lounge
7 pm - Disciple Group/ Library

Friday, December 15:

8:30 pm - AA/ Fellowship Hall/Gallery

Saturday, December 16:

1 pm - Women's AA/ 108-109

Sunday, December 17:

10 am - Worship (In-Person & Online)
10 am - Youth Sunday School/ Youth Room
10 am - Sunday School/ 107 & 135
11 am - Coffee Hour/ Trinity Hall
7 pm - Al-Anon/ Lounge
7:30 pm - AA/ 108-109

John Knox Announcements

December 10, 2023

YEAR END GIVING

As we near the end of 2023, we are grateful for the congregation's generous contributions this year. Without your support, John Knox would not be able to live into God's Vision for this church. However, we are currently about 7% behind in our projected income. Your contributions this December and your pledge for 2024 are important to help us finish the year strong and be in a good position for next year. Many in our community give in "tax-smart" ways, like stock donations, donor advised funds, or qualified charitable distributions. Please visit www.johnknoxpc.org/give to discover more giving options or contact Mindi Schibley at mschibley@johnknoxpc.org. Thank you again for your continued support and belief in our mission. Let us continue to take bold steps of faith together.

DONATING SECURITIES

Donating stock or securities is another way you can fulfill your operating pledge and make a special year-end gift. It could help you avoid paying capital gains tax on appreciated stocks, and John Knox will receive the full value. Making a gift of stock is easy:

1. Contact your broker and provide them with the transfer information:

**Charles Schwab: Account Number
9820-3777**

DTC Number 0164

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2. Contact Mindi Schibley to notify her of the pending transfer.

3. Once the stock is transferred, Mindi will be notified, the stock will then be sold, and the church will receive the proceeds.

4. You will receive a donation receipt from John Knox indicating the details of the donation for tax reporting purposes.

ONLINE PICTURE DIRECTORY

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

CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2023

JKPC will present a special Christmas program featuring the multi-talented musicians of the John Knox family this afternoon 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.

WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP

Please join our JKPC Women's Small Group on Tuesday, December 12, from 7:00-8:00 PM in the Sanctuary for an evening to *Pause* in calm, peace, and quiet as we prepare our hearts for birth of Jesus. These hectic times as we hustle and bustle getting everything just right for Christmas can be very stressful. Take some time for yourself just to unwind and enjoy scripture, music, and meditation. Invite your friends, sisters, neighbors...any woman who you think might benefit from a little relaxation during this busy, busy time.

SINGERS NEEDED

Love to sing? The John Knox Choir is looking for new members. If you are interested in joining, please contact Craig Galinski at cgalinski@johnknoxpc.org. Music experience preferred but not needed.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Looking for support or people to journey with you as you grieve? There is a Drop-in Grief Support Group on Thursdays, 6:00-7:00 PM, in the lounge. This is a safe space. Share or don't. Listen or be heard. Be kind. Know you are not alone.

NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM

Mark your calendars for our popular LIVE Nativity: Night in Bethlehem on Wednesday, December 20 from 6:00-8:00 PM. John Knox youth will be in costume, and we will have live animals including a camel! Enjoy a Christmas carol sing along, treats, crafts, and celebrate the season with friends and family.

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