# JOHN KNOX

# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# **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| December 31, 2023

PRELUDE Once in David's Royal City

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN # 147 The First Nowell (vs. 1-3)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

TIME FOR CENTERING

HYMN #115 Away in a Manger (vs. 1,3)

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:21-38

SERMON Rev. Dr. Tom MacMillan

HYMN #145 What Child Is This (vs. 1,3)

**PRAYER & OFFERING** 

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION** 

POSTLUDE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

New to the prayer list this week: Tom King; Zach; Kay Beavan; Helga Stanger

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

Linda Calhoun-Monaco, Substitute Accompanist

Peg Anderson, Worship Assistant

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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

# Sunday, December 31:

Intergenerational Worship10 am- Worship (In-Person & Online)11 am- Coffee Hour/ Trinity Hall

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

# Monday, January 1:

New Year's Day - Office Closed

11 am - AA Meeting/ 108-109

7 pm - Al-Anon/ Library

## Tuesday, January 2:

7 am- Men's Bible Study/ Lounge10 am- Staff/ Lounge10:30 am- AA/ 108-1091 pm- Women's AA/ 108-1097 pm- FAW (MacMillan)/ Lounge

# Wednesday, January 3:

- 9:30 am Women's AA/ Youth Room
- 10 am OA/ 108-109 11 am - Bridge/ Gallery
- 11 am Bridge/ Gallery 6 pm - Membership Con
  - Membership Committee/ Library
- 6 pm Spirit Moves Yoga/Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal/ 108-109
- 7 pm Choir Rehearsal/ Sanctuary
- 7 pm Personnel Committee Meeting/ Lounge

# Thursday, January 4:

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

# Friday, January 5:

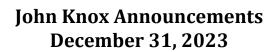
9 am - TOPS/ 108-109 8:30 pm - AA/ Fellowship Hall/Gallery

## Saturday, January 6:

1 pm - Women's AA/ 108-109

#### Sunday, January 7: Communion Sunday Intergenerational Worship

- 10 am Worship (In-Person & Online)
- 11 am Coffee Hour/ Trinity Hall
- 7 pm REMIX Practice/ Sanctuary
- 7 pm Al-Anon/ Lounge
- 7:30 pm AA/ 108-109



### YEAR END GIVING

As we celebrate the gift of Jesus, let's open our hearts to the joy of giving. Your generosity has been a blessing to our church family, allowing us to spread God's love in meaningful ways. We hope you will continue this important work with a gift to John Knox Presbyterian Church. To make a year-end gift or a pledge for 2024, visit www.johnknoxpc.org/give or contact Mindi Schibley at mschibley@johnknoxpc.org.

### **NEW THEME FOR 2024**

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Cultivating Faith in a Rocky World.

As 2024 begins, join us for our new series where we walk through the Gospel of Mark and seek ways to prepare the "soil" of our hearts. Using the parable of the sower in Mark 4 as metaphor for creating room in our lives for God's seeds to take root, we will be examining the life of Jesus and Romans 12:1-2 to bring us closer to God and each other.

### WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday morning Bible Study will not meet on January 3. Classes will resume at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, January 10.

## **BELL CHOIR NEEDS A RINGER**

The Chancel Bell Choir has an opening for a ringer due to a couple of retirements. This would be for lower bells, which is a good entry point for anyone without ringing experience. Please contact Barb Forslund if you have any interest.

<u>blforslund@gmail.com</u> or (610) 639-2731.

## **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.

Give Now!

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