

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.

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.

Today is Communion Sunday. We invite you to gather your elements so that we may all share the Lord's Supper.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 am | September 3, 2023

PRELUDE *My Jesus, I Love Thee*

WELCOME

TIME FOR CENTERING

HYMN #35 *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MUSIC *Jesus Is the Living Stone*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Sue Ploegstra

SCRIPTURE *Matthew 11:28-30, Psalm 147:1-11*

MOMENT FOR MISSION

SERMON Rev. Dr. Tom MacMillan

SONG *Find Me*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

OFFERING

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

New to the prayer list this week: Carrie Macalla; Marlene Lemr; Scott Jones; Paul; Aunt Ramona; Stan Kalwasinski

We uplift in prayer the family and friends of Jane House who passed away on August 26.

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, Soloist
Marty Cook, Worship Assistant
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, September 3:

Communion Sunday

10 am - Worship (In-Person & Online)
11 am - Coffee Hour/ Trinity Hall
11:15 am - FAW (Mellott)/ Lounge
7 pm - Al-Anon/ Lounge
7:30 pm - AA/ 108-109

Monday, September 4:

Labor Day – Office Closed

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

Tuesday, September 5:

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

Wednesday, September 6:

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 - Spirit Moves Yoga/ Fellowship Hall
6 pm - Membership Committee/ Library
7 pm - Fresh Fork Pickup
7 pm - Personnel Meeting/ Lounge
7 pm - Choir Rehearsal/ Sanctuary
7 pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal/ 108-109

Thursday, September 7:

9:30 am - Quilters/ 108-109
10 am - Toddler Time/ Fellowship Hall
7 pm - Finance Committee Meeting/ Lounge

Friday, September 8:

8:30 pm - AA/ Fellowship Hall/Gallery

Saturday, September 9:

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

Sunday, September 10:

Rally Day

10 am - Worship (In-Person & Online)
11 am - Healing Prayer/ Lounge
7 pm - Al-Anon/ Lounge
7:30 pm - AA/ 108-109



John Knox Announcements – September 3, 2023

OFFICE CLOSED

Please note the front office will be closed on Monday, September 4, and will have limited hours on Tuesday, September 5. Regular office hours will resume on Wednesday, September 6.

BIBLE STUDY RESUMES

Men's Bible Study resumes Tuesday, September 5, at 7:00 AM in Trinity Hall.

The Wednesday Morning Bible Study Group will re-start classes on Wednesday, September 6, in Trinity Hall beginning at 9:30 AM. The study will begin by digging deeper into the Old Testament book of Genesis. Please mark your calendar and plan on joining us as we begin our Fall/Winter classes.

WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP

Women's Small Group will resume Tuesday, September 12, from 7:00-8:00 PM in the lounge. The group will continue to meet monthly on the second Tuesday. No homework. No sign up. No stress. No pressure.

REIKI CLASS

Reiki is Japanese healing technique that uses energy to promote relaxation. Cleveland Clinic and University Hospital both use this holistic treatment option. If you are interested in learning more about reiki, please plan to attend the Stephen Minister's meeting on Tuesday, September 26, at 7:00 PM in the Lounge. Mary Lee Boesewetter will be the speaker.

RALLY DAY

Join us next Sunday, September 10, for Rally Day! Help us celebrate the beginning of the program year following worship with a Carnival! There will be many games and prizes for kids and adults including corn hole and ladder ball plus a photo booth, snow cones, and popcorn! In Trinity Hall, we will be serving hot dogs, hamburgers, a veggie option, sides, beverages, and dessert. Bring your families and join us for this special event!

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

It is not too late to sign up for the Stephen Ministry's Grief Support Group, *Finding Pathways Through Grief*. This 5-week program begins on Thursday, September 14, at 7:00 PM in the Lounge. Please call or email the office to sign up.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION STAFF OPENING

John Knox is currently hiring for the position of Director of Youth and Family Ministry. This individual would work with youth (grades 6-12) and their families. This includes youth group, coordinating Sunday school volunteers, and helping plan fun social and mission events. This person will work with Laura (our Director for Children and Family Ministry) and Susanne (our Executive Associate Pastor.) If you, or someone you know, are interested in applying, please email the office, info@johnknoxpc.org.

PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR STAFF OPENING

John Knox Preschool is looking for a director/class aide for their weekday preschool. The preschool operates from 8:30-1:00, Monday - Friday, September

RALLY CLE

Volunteers are needed on Saturday, September 9, to help build a neighborhood park. This event is organized by Building Hope in the City, Rally CLE. Our support and funding are from the Congregation by way of the Mission Committee. The Cove and the City Church Near West Side are the other churches sponsoring this event. The project is to work on a vacant field on the corner of Storer Avenue and West 67th Street. A picnic celebration will take place onsite with the members of the neighborhood. We need 10 to 15 volunteers. JKPC Contact: Glenn Ploegstra, 440-420-5913, gsploegstra@att.net.

ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA CLASS

On Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 PM, Jim Traxler will be giving a presentation in room 108-109 to the Stephen Ministers on *Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia*. Jim is a newly certified Community Educator for the Alzheimer's Association and brings his own experience caring for his late wife Karen, along with his training at the Alzheimer's Association, to his new mission of educating the public on this health crisis and how to deal with it. Almost everyone will have contact at some point with dementia, whether personally or with a family member or friend. Anyone can attend this presentation. Please email or call the office if you plan to attend, so we have an idea how many will be joining us. There will be a follow-up presentation on October 24 on *Effective Communication Strategies*, giving tips on communicating with a person with dementia in the early, middle, and late stages of the disease.

