

what's up,
Knox?

SUMMER 2023



From the Minister's Desk

"UNITY IN DIVERSITY"



Church is an incredible entity!

According to the standards of this world, our existence is an incredible feat in itself; meaning, we should have disappeared long ago.

Knox Presbyterian Church, being part of that incredible existence, is a unique entity. Our congregation is comprised of people of diverse

backgrounds, cultural heritage, demographic, and even location of our domicile. Regardless, when we are gathered as a congregation, we become 'one' in Christ! Surely as we are each different, with unique sets of temperament and gifts, our baptism in Christ 'unites' us as 'one' despite/in light of our differences.

That description ought to remind us of what Apostle Paul wrote to one of the early churches:

"There is no longer Jew or Greek...for all of you are one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:26-29).

We are all too familiar as to how distinctions of all sorts, especially within the gathering of a church, potentially have the power to divide and oppress. Distinctions such as wealth, cultural heritage, and ideology are sometimes seen as the determinative 'identity markers' of being part of an organization like the Church. Anyone not being like or part of such markers are often ostracized from the majority group.

Paul likely witnessed this himself in the early church during its growing phases. Not so much to criticize, but as to encourage the early church to come together in unity, Paul shared this now famous passage. The distinctive traits that we all possess are no longer to be grounds for status or exclusion in the 'body of Christ,' but special ingredients that bond us closer in Christ!

Not surprisingly, at Knox Presbyterian Church, Woodstock, we are proud of our church sign that proclaims, *"All are welcome"*!

Come together through any given week, especially on Sunday mornings, we really do come together to celebrate our diversity; we depart from our gatherings having enjoyed one another's input, and having been empowered for the joyous task ahead of sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Sisters and brothers in Christ, we have spent many good months of intense gatherings, celebrations, and worship of God. With the much-anticipated summer days upon us, may God bless you in the noble task of sharing the love of God made manifest in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully shared,

Rev. Kim

Session Notes

Steve McInnis

The Session met on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 7pm. Eleven elders attended, including the moderator, Rev. Dr. Kim. The meeting opened with prayer and a reflection about confidence in a word from God (Acts 18:9-10).

Updates: The fire drill, church picnic, and elder election were all discussed. The 189th anniversary celebration was set for November 12. The 190th anniversary (2024) was discussed and potential Sunday speakers were proposed.

Visioning and Caring: The after-church fellowship will continue through the summer, but without coffee or tea to make preparation easier.

Ministry Reports:

Christian Education Committee. Mikayla's reporting to the congregation is appreciated. Through the summer, the nursery will be available to parents, but not staffed. The activity centre in the sanctuary will remain available for children.

Children's Choir Ministry. Plans continue for a beginning in September.

Covid-19. We will start using the Hunter-Riddell door for Sunday services.

Mission. The KAOS kids want to keep gathering through the summer. Kids' Camp will start soon, but more registrations are required.

Board of Stewards. We are awaiting light bulbs to replace lights in the sanctuary chandeliers. Perimeter lighting is still under study. The lift lighting is working intermittently. The next stage of stained glass will be in September. More speakers will be installed under the balcony and at the choir loft. A portable sound system will be purchased. WCI will use Knox for their drama program through the fall of 2023. We may add more security cameras.

Restoration Committee. No work will be done through the summer, but maybe in the fall. Work will continue in 2024.

Worship. Communion will be served by intinction only on Maundy Thursday and Christmas Eve; the traditional method will be followed otherwise. A better gluten-free bread was sourced. The committee is considering placing an ad in a new monthly local newspaper, the *Woodstock-Ingersoll Echo*.

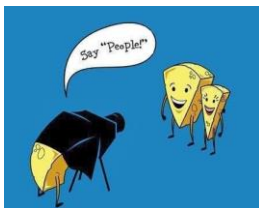
Ministers' Report. We have moved from social distancing and masking to a more normal format at Knox. The church is well known in and widely used by the community. As the city becomes more cosmopolitan, we will strive to be even more welcoming.

New Business - The financial support for Lyca Mhone for her theological studies in Malawi will be increased from \$641 every 6 months to \$700, in recognition of inflation.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 12, 2023 @ 7:00pm

Say CHEESE!

Nora Martin



It's been a long time in coming, but we are finally putting plans in place to do a new photo directory for our church family. As you know, there have been many changes since our last directory was produced in 2016, so it's time!

John Dobbs has graciously consented to take the pictures. The plan is to take as many of the photos as possible during coffee hour after church on September 17 and 24. People whose last names begin with A-M, please be ready for September 17, and N-Z on September 24. That should give us a chance to get a good start on the pictures, which is the biggest part of the job.

We will make other arrangements to get pictures of our shut-ins. If you prefer to be an early bird and get the job done and over with, there will be an opportunity on September 10 after church during coffee hour as well.

At the end of September, we will make plans to get pictures of those people still missing. If you prefer not to have your picture in the directory, please let Nora Martin know, so we don't chase you for a picture. We welcome more people to help with this project. If you are interested in helping in any way, please let Nora Martin know. Thank you for all cooperating in this endeavour. The hope is that it will foster our already vibrant sense of being a family.

Kids' Camp 2023



JULY 3RD TO AUGUST 18TH, 2023
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
9AM TO 3:30 PM

\$175 a week for children ages 4-12

Sponsorship and financial aid available

Knox Presbyterian Church

59 Riddell Street Woodstock ON

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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EMAIL: KNOXKIDSCAMP@GMAIL.COM

PHONE: 519-537-3927

Knox Kids Camp was designed to be, and continues to be, a major mission and outreach project of Knox, as we share the stories of Jesus with children and their families.

We ask members of the congregation to continue to support this important ministry in the following ways:

- (a) Please pray for the Directors, Team Members, families/caregivers, and children who will be our campers
- (b) Financial support for children to attend camp
- (c) Donate snacks - a sign-up list is available outside the office

If you wish to donate snacks for
this year's Kid's Camp,
please sign up on the
list outside the office

WMS Campbell Afternoon Auxiliary

We were blessed to have Strawberry Shortcake catered by our Kitchen Crew!



Canning Wanted for Bazaar



While enjoying your summer, please remember the Bazaar is coming this fall. So, if you are canning, save some for this event. From the Kitchen Crew, we wish you a healthy and safe summer.

2023 Pork BBQ

FOODGRAINS BANK ANNUAL



Pork

4 SUPPORTING
Canadian
Foodgrains
Bank YEARS
A Christian Response
to Hunger

Friday, September 15th
5 pm to 6 pm

Knox Church, 59 Riddell St. Woodstock

Tickets
\$20

Only 160 tickets available!



Proceeds in support of Canadian Foodgrains Bank. Donations gratefully accepted.

65th Anniversary



Murray & Melita Rollinson celebrated 65 years of marriage on June 7th.

Happy Anniversary!

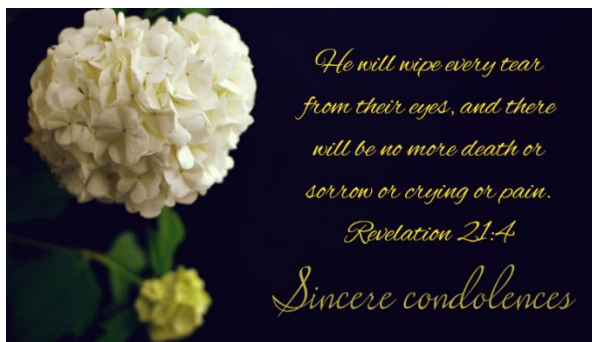
Our Church Family



Laura Turvey	July 10	Betty Yungblut	July 13
Brenda Weatherbee	July 22	Lauren Reczuch	July 31
Richard Wannamaker	August 5	Wilma Markle	August 6
Luella Campbell	August 7	Anne Miller	August 7
Karen Spurgeon	August 11	Paw Say	August 12
Marlene Matta	August 14	Linda Szasz	August 30



Ron & Linda Faulkner	July 15
Sean & Michelle McCoy	July 25
George & Paul Seggewiss	August 6
Richard & Kim Stere	August 20
Nick & Carrie Hardeman	August 23
Tony & Judy Boodhoo	August 23



Remembering Margaret Gregor (passed February 9th, 2023), Bill Moyer (passed May 12, 2020) and June (Yungblut) Daer (passed June 21, 2023).

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of these dear loved ones.

50th Anniversary Invitation



Eugena Riehl & Friends Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who came out and support the fundraiser for Operation Sharing's "Food for Friends" program. We raised \$626!



What's Up, Knox?



A Blast from the Past - 2009 – Creating the front garden – Pictured is Joyce Hunter, Tim Engel, and Marie Yungblut. Does anyone recognize the person in the blue pants?



Janet vanderSpek and Lorelee Benner
Duet – January 22



First Coffee Hour of the
New Year – January 22



Counting Donations for
Operation Sharing



Knox Walks – February 25
Nora Martin & Lynda Whiteford



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Steve McInnis & Lynda Whiteford

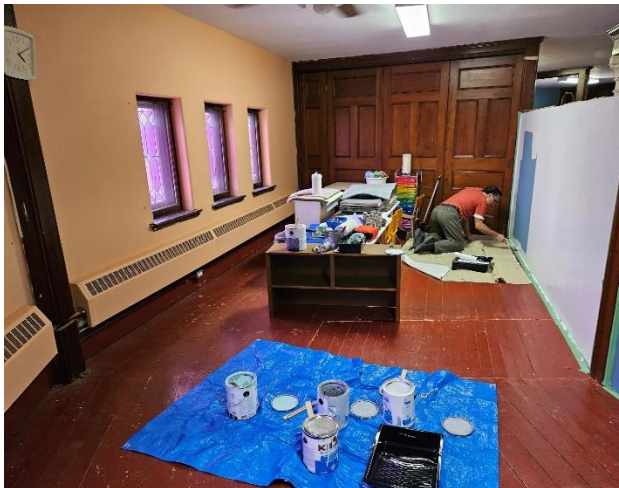
Sunday School Room Makeover



Before



After



Before



After



Before



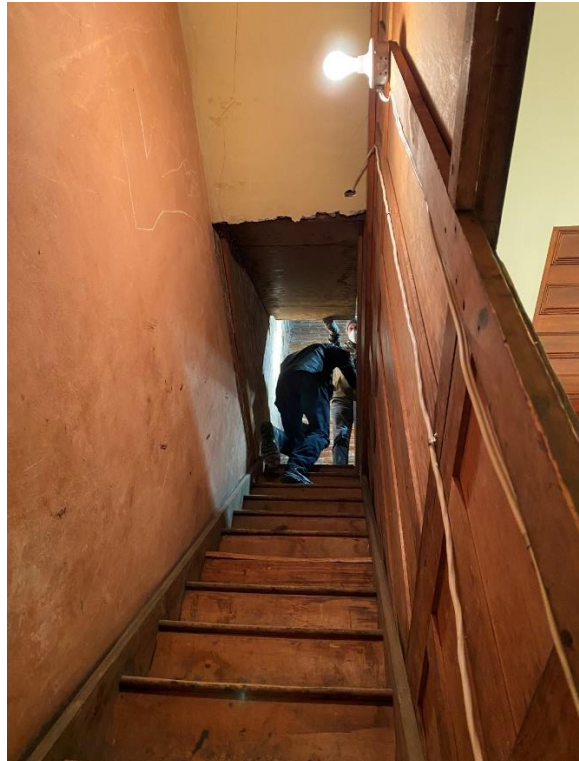
After



For Whom the Bell Tolls



George Seggewiss & Mark Benner in the Bell Tower



George & Mark
Those stairs are steep!



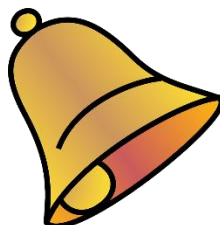
View from the bottom



George Seggewiss
in the attic



Mark Benner
Ringing the Bells



Retirements



Marie Gregor (seated), was honoured for her many years as Presbyterial Treasurer, on March 16th. Pictured with her is Presbytery President Shirley Miller.



Celebrating with Josie Miller on her years of service as Clerk of Session. Pictured on the left with Rev. Dr. Dong-Ha Kim and on the right with Steve McInnis (new Clerk of Session) and Rev. Kim. – March 26

Mini Spring Market



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Baby News



INTRODUCING

Astrid Jersey Rae Jones
born March 28th, @11:53am
weighing 7lbs 10 oz



CONGRATULATIONS

Brother - Cooper
Sister - Charlotte
Mom - Corrin Reczuch
Dad - Lashbrook Jones
Great Aunt - Lauren Reczuch
Great Grama - Iola MacKenzie

Session - April 2023



Session – April 4th

Easter 2023



Good Friday Choir



Palm Sunday Procession



Easter Sunday

May 2023



Alzheimer Society
“Reducing the Risk of Dementia”
Learning Series

Mother's Day



Mother's Day – Carol Langille and Gwen Wilson



Yard and Plant Sale



Yard and Plant Sale



Sunday School Picnic



We had a great turn-out for the Sunday School Picnic.

Due to the uncertainty of the weather, we stayed inside.

There was plenty of food to share!



Nick preparing some delicious hot dogs



Until next time!

Summer Crossword

Name: _____ Date: _____

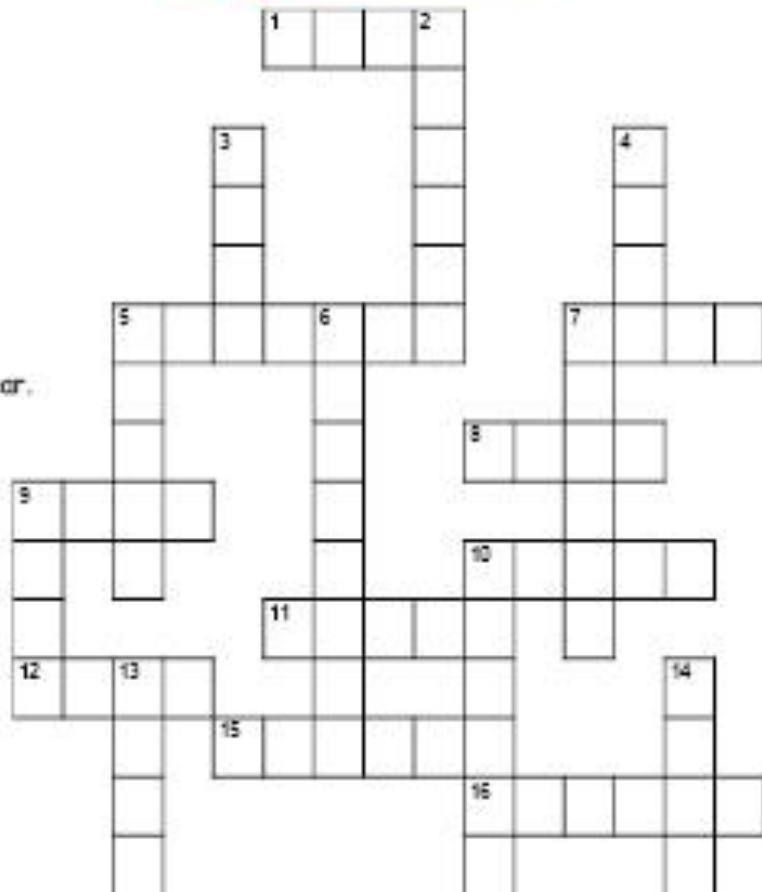


Across

1. Grains on the beach.
5. Living in a tent.
7. It warms you up.
8. Two wheeled transportation.
9. Comes with a shovel.
10. Full of daylight.
11. A sandy shore.
12. Area of inland water.
15. Warmest 3 months of the year.
16. Top for warm weather.

Down

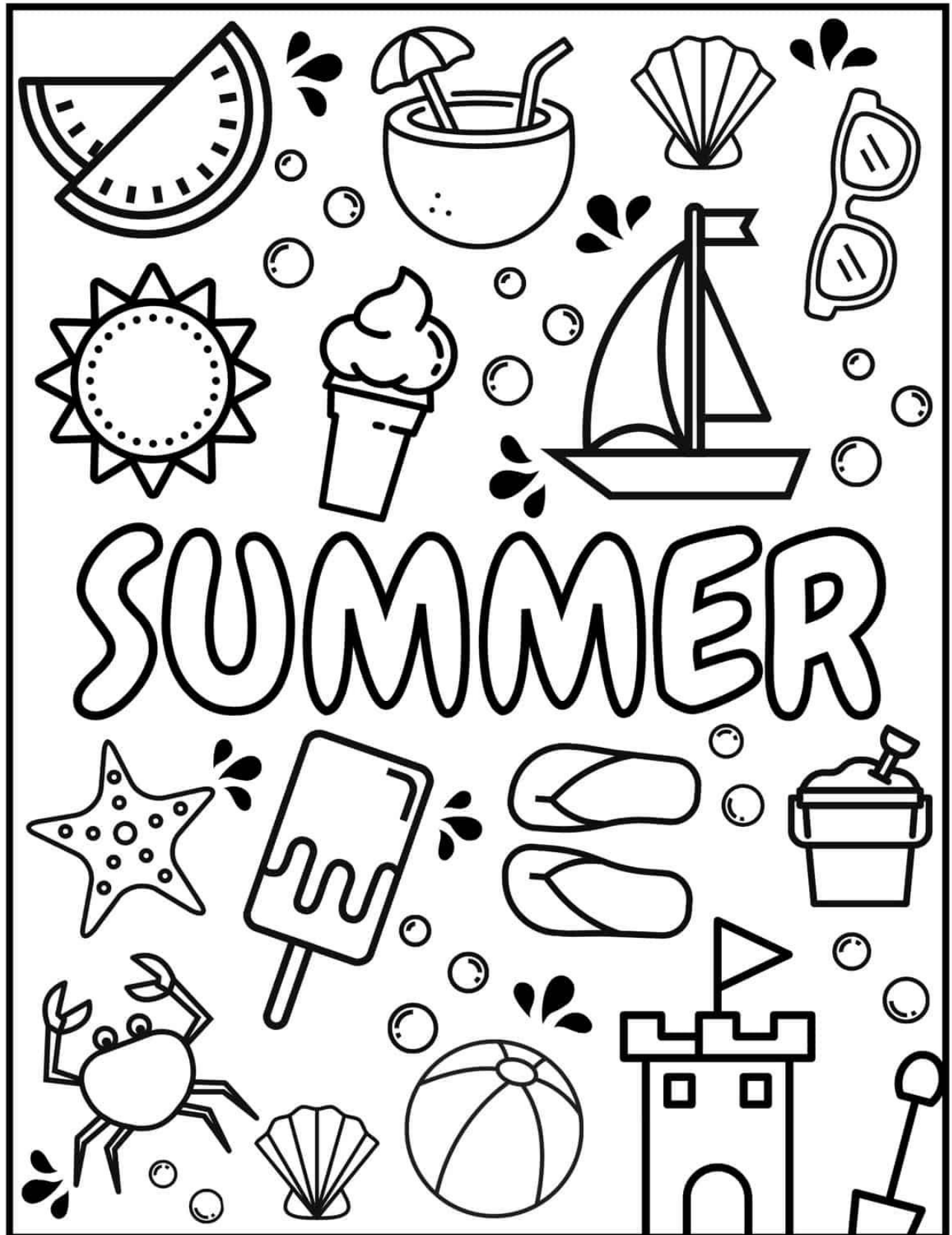
2. Plunging into the water.
3. Move through the water.
4. Summer hazard.
5. House in the woods.
6. Frozen treat.
7. Trail walking.
9. A place to swim
10. Pants for hot weather.
13. Toy for a windy day.
14. Mildly hot.



Word Bank

BEACH, BIKE, CABIN, CAMPING, DIVING, FIRE, HEAT, HIKING, ICE CREAM, KITE, LAKE, PAIL, POOL, SAND, SHORTS, SUMMER, SUNNY, SWIM, T-SHIRT, WARM

Summer Colouring Page



Summer Word Search

SUMMER FUN

Word Search Puzzle



W	A	T	E	R	P	A	R	K	V	A	C	A	T	I	O	N
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BAREFOOT	FISHING	PICNIC
BASEBALL	FLIP FLOPS	POPSICLE
BEACH	FRIENDS	ROAD TRIP
BICYCLE	FRISBEE	SPRINKLERS
CAMPING	GAMES	SUNSHINE
COOKOUT	ICE CREAM	SWIMMING
FAIRGROUND	LEMONADE	VACATION
FIREWORKS	OUTDOORS	WATER PARK

July 2023 Calendar



JULY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 CANADA DAY
2 Worship 10:30 am	3 OFFICE CLOSED	4 TOPS 10 am	5	6	7	8
9 Worship 10:30 am	10 Meditation 10:30 am Meditation (Zoom) 7:30 pm	11 TOPS 10 am	12	13	14	15
16 Worship 10:30 am	17 KIM VACATION	18 KIM VACATION	19 KIM VACATION	20 KIM VACATION	21 KIM VACATION	22
23 Worship 10:30 am	24	25 TOPS 10 am	26	27	28	29
30 REV. KIM VACATION	31 REV. KIM VACATION					
Worship 10:30 am	Meditation 10:30 am Meditation (Zoom) 7:30 pm	TOPS 10 am				



August 2023 Calendar

AUGUST 2023



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 REV. KIM VACATION	2 REV. KIM VACATION	3 REV. KIM VACATION	4 REV. KIM VACATION	5 REV. KIM VACATION
		TOPS 10 am				
6 REV. KIM VACATION	7 REV. KIM VACATION	8 REV. KIM VACATION	9 REV. KIM VACATION	10 REV. KIM VACATION	11 REV. KIM VACATION	12 REV. KIM VACATION
Worship 10:30 am	OFFICE CLOSED	TOPS 10 am				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Worship 10:30 am	Meditation 10:30 am Meditation (Zoom) 7:30 pm	TOPS 10 am				
20	21 KIM VACATION	22 KIM VACATION	23 KIM VACATION	24 KIM VACATION	25 KIM VACATION	26
Worship 10:30 am		TOPS 10 am	Worship Committee 2 pm	KNOX NEWS SUBMISSIONS DUE		
27	28	29	30	31		
Worship 10:30 am		TOPS 10 am		Christian Ed 2 pm		