

#### **Knox Presbyterian Church**

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Email: office.knox.woodstock@gmail.com
Website: www.knoxwoodstock.ca
Sunday Worship - 10:30 am
Sunday School - during service
Join us for coffee hour following service
Get Fit With Kim (zoom) Mondays 3:45 pm
Meditation - Mondays 10:30am & 7:30 pm(Zoom)
Get Fit With Kim - Tuesdays 3:30 pm
Knox Kids Music - (ages SK & Up) Tuesdays 6:30 pm
Craft & Fellowship - Wednesdays 9:30 am
Bible Study (zoom) - Biweekly Wednesdays 7 pm
Jr KAOS - (ages 8-11) Thursdays 6 pm
Choir - Thursdays 7 pm
Youth KAOS - (ages 12 to 17) Fridays - 6 pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			NEW YEAR'S DAY OFFICE CLOSED	7:00 pm Choir	3	
5 10:30 am Worship 6:30 pm Guides & Rangers	10:30 am Meditation 3:45 pm Get Fit (Zoom) 7:00 pm Men's Discing 7:00 pm Pathfinders 7:30 pm Meditation (Zoom)	9:30 am TOPS 3:30 pm Get Fit 7:00 pm Session	9:30 am Craft & Fellowship 2:30 pm Worship Committee 6:00 pm Cubs & Scouts	10:00 am Mission Committee 6:00 pm Jr. KAOS 7:00 pm Choir	10 6:00 pm KAOS	3
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Jay Schlotzhauer January 1
Sean McCoy January 5
Marjorie Gunn January 18
Kim Kenny January 18
John Szasz January 18
Nancy Sieber January 26
Marg McCurdy January 26



Cliffe & Anne Jewlal January 30



Our heartfelt prayers and sympathies go out to the Currah family on the passing of Brian, on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.

#### **SESSION NOTES**

The Session met on Tuesday, December 3. Eleven elders were present. The moderator, Rev. Dr. Kim, led a devotion regarding rejoicing (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).

**Correspondence:** Brock and Visser Funeral Home requested the use of the church in January or February for an end-of-life seminar on topics such as funeral planning. The session decided to grant this request.

<u>Vision and Caring</u>: The timing of our session meeting was raised as an issue. Some elders have trouble attending, especially in winter months. The session decided to have future meetings allowing both Zoom™ and in-person attendees.

#### **Ministry Reports:**

**Christian Education:** Margaret Douglas joined this committee from the Stewards. Jr. KAOS is continuing to meet on Thursdays. The Sunday morning children's story duty is being shared by Rev. Kim and Mikayla.

**Mission:** \$300 will be sent to PWS&D for Lebanon humanitarian relief. We will participate in the Operation Sharing toy drive this year.

**Pastoral Care:** The committee chair was passed to Nora Martin, after many years of dedicated leadership by Marie Yungblut.

**Board of Stewards:** The Stewards have noted that homeless and aggressive individuals have been in and around the church, causing damage in some cases. Some steps are being taken to address the situation.

**Restoration Committee:** As noted last month, brickwork will continue in 2025 and we may need to raise \$40 thousand to cover the increased cost.

**Worship:** Phone live streaming continues to be used by at least two households. Usher/greeter duty and lay reader schedules are being prepared for 2025.

**Presbytery/Synod:** IPC has left the denomination and is renamed "Hope Church". Central Brantford has moved into its new location on Grey Street. Ratho Presbyterian Church services are being presented by people from Woodstock and by students.

**Ministers' Report:** Rev Kim reflected on the past year and gave some thoughts on the future. We are to follow the example of Jesus.

**Other Business:** The session agreed to send \$1500 to Lyca in Malawi, to complete her studies and eventually be ordained in the Church of Central Africa – Presbyterian. She will continue to work in the prison ministry.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 7, 2025 @ 7:00pm

## **Our Friend Lyca Mhone**

Lyca is the woman in Malawi whom our congregation has been supporting via the Bursary Fund in her studies to become a minister. She's entering her final term in January, and will graduate in June 2025. During her studies, she has continued to volunteer with the organization, Friends of Prisons, along with other men and women who regularly visit many different prisons in southern Malawi. Upon her graduation, she will be ordained in the Church of Central Africa, Presbyterian and be the official chaplain for Friends of Prisons. She has recently received the final installment of the support and has sent the following letter of thanks to you, the congregation, for the generosity which has enabled her to continue her studies to a successful conclusion.

### **VOTE OF THANKS TO THE KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



I am so blessed to have a loving Church like you. I see the hand of God working on my studies through you, The Knox Presbyterian Church. What you are doing by providing me with financial support, before I became one of your sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ, I was living a miserable life at Zomba Theological University. May the Almighty God keep overflowing your cup with miracles so that you can deliver others.

With a warm heart full of smiles and gratitude, Lyca and the entire Mhone family, Blantyre Malawi Africa

#### Youth & Children's Ministries

#### JANUARY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL January 19 January 5 Art - "Heart Art" - we will learn about how Hannah prayed with her whole heart and how we should do the same Single Lesson on Epiphany - Art We will learn about when the Magi came to see Jesus January 26 Cooking - "Perseverance Parfaits" - We will learn about how God called Samuel repeated until he listened January 12 New Unit - Hannah and Samuel Cooking - "Hannah's Hands Cookies" - We will learn about how Art - "Prayer Telephones" - We will learn about how Samuel faithfully Hannah prayed talked to God and how we can also talk to God anywhere, anytime.

# January in Jr. KAOS

Jan. 9

Live Among Us Night

Jan. 16

Lesson: Jacob & Esau

Game: Mission **Impossible**  Jan. 23

Lesson: Jacob to Israel

> Game: Snow night

Jan. 30

Lesson: 12 Sons

Game: -Offering of the Ducks Letter Tile games

# January in KAOS

January 10

Pajama Night!

January 17

Lesson: Fear of Failure (Matthew 14:22-36)

> Games: Bingo Night

January 24

Lesson: Sword Drills

Games: -Giant Hungry -Giant Mario Kart

Lesson: Moral Failure (Mark 14:66-72)

> Games: Snow night

### **December Events**

# Hope Canadian Male Choir - November 29th





**Knox Kids' Music Party** 



Knox Kids' Music Performance with Ukrainian Children





Choralaires

**Choir Practice Fun!** 

