

IN OUR COMMUNITY

TODAY: Grace-Westminster (505-10th St E) - **Saskatoon Choral Society "Home & The Holidays" Winter Concert** at 2:30 pm. Adults \$12(advance) \$15(door), Kids 6-10 \$5, Under 6 Free. Tea & Silent Auction follow.

Dec 5: KNOX - Saskatoon Funeral Home hosts "Candle Light Service of Remembrance" Music Prelude at 6:30pm. Service at 7Pm. All are welcome.

Dec. 14: KNOX - Saskatoon Symphony Chorus "Handel's Messiah" 7:30pm. Tickets saskatoonsymphony.org or 306-665-6414.

Dec. 15: KNOX - Saskatoon Symphony Chorus, "Sing-Along Messiah" 2pm. Tickets saskatoonsymphony.org or 306-665-6414.

Dec. 16: KNOX - Saskatoon Chamber Singers, "Starry, Starry Night" Concerts at 2pm. & 7:30pm. Tickets: Advance \$25 or at the door \$30. Get Advance tickets from Pam in the Knox Office.

Dec 19: KNOX - Rosthern Junior College Choirs Christmas Concert - 7:30pm. Guest performer Sonrisa. Free admission - collection will be taken.

Relief Caretaker Wanted

St. Thomas-Wesley United is accepting applications for a relief caretaker to fill in during vacation and sick days. Interested people can contact Jackie (306-373-5791).

KNOX UNITED CHURCH DECEMBER 2, 2018 ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME TO KNOX UNITED CHURCH TODAY! We invite our visitors to **sign the guest book** in the gathering space just outside the rear sanctuary doors.

90th Birthday of Dianne Barrett's Mother. After the worship service today, we hope you will join Dianne for cake! **Myrtle (Koetke) Eliason** was born Dec. 6, 1928, the oldest of three, and grew up on a farm outside Daysland AB. She married Peter Eliason and farmed just outside Camrose AB until the birth of two daughters, Terry Lynn and Dianne. Coming back to Sk. they farmed just off Highway 219, 47 kms. from Saskatoon, and had two boys - Jerry and Don. Myrtle Eliason still lives on the farm with the boys' farms and families on either side to help her out. She was a member of the Glenside United Church until it closed and has led a very active life, including being an avid gardener. She is predeceased by Peter but has four children, ten grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

WORSHIP TODAY - This morning's worship is led by Rev. Brian Maitland, John Rowson, Mary Lou Beck and the Choir, and Patricia Deibert, organist.

NURSERY - We have a fully equipped nursery in McLeod Hall that is available for your use if needed during the worship service.





BIBLE STUDY/DISCUSSION takes place on **Wednesdays @ 1:30 pm.** at the Church.

Everyone is welcome - come once or make it a regular habit. We discuss the coming Sunday's Lectionary scripture passages, what they mean historically, and how they connect with our lives today. It's a fun, wide-ranging conversation with lots of voices. Come and be refreshed in your faith!

Our gifts for **MISSION & SERVICE** enable people to flourish. In China, the Amity Foundation offers programs for people on the margins, such as Zhou Jian. As a child, he was placed in an institution where he stayed until 2004, when he went to live at Amity Foundation's Home of Blessings for those who are developmentally challenged. When he arrived at age 21, he did not understand the concept of words or numbers. Slowly, under the care of Amity teachers, he mastered these skills, and was then ready to work in the bakery. He has grown in skill to become one of the main bakers. Please make M&S giving a regular part of your life of faith. Loving our neighbor is at the heart of our M&S.



If you would like a **name tag**, please add your name to the list on the table in the gathering space and we'll have one made for you. **If you have already requested a name tag**, please check the white board in the gathering space.

"**The Upper Room**" and "**These Days**" daily devotionals are available for you to take home. They are on the shelves sitting on the table in the gathering space, and are free of charge. If you would like to offer a small donation to help cover their cost, there is a slot in the table to accommodate it. The "**Observer**" is also available in the gathering space. If you have a subscription (\$25.00), payment is due and can be made to Pam (office), to Doug McCosh, or through the offering plate.

If you would like **offering envelopes** and/or a **mailbox**, please call Pam in the office (306-244-0159). If you would like to receive occasional Knox-related news items by **email**, please check with Pam (office) to ensure we have your email address.



The next issue of **Knox Newsletter** is due to appear on Dec. 9. Please give any articles or notices for that issue to Bill DeCoursey **TODAY**.

Our annual Knox **Mitten Tree** is up today, in time for the beginning of the **Advent season**.  Knitters, crafters and other members are invited to make or find suitable mittens, gloves, scarves, and winter headwear to put on the tree throughout Advent. These will be gathered by the Outreach Service Committee and taken to both the Friendship Inn and Howard Coad School before Christmas.



Did you know ... PARKING during worship services on Sundays is FREE! Feel free to park in the Precise ParkLink lots adjacent to our church building.

THIS WEEK AT KNOX ...



Mon @ 7pm: 96th Highlanders rehearsal
Tues @ 7pm: Sktn. Chamber Singers rehearsal
Wed @ 1:30pm: Knox Bible Study
Wed @ 7pm: Candlelight Service of Remembrance
Thurs @ 7pm: Knox Choir rehearsal

Becoming an Affirming Ministry

Knox United is again considering embarking on the process toward perhaps becoming an **Affirming Ministry** within the United Church of Canada. An Affirming Ministry is one which intentionally welcomes and affirms all people, embracing diversity and striving to include and be a safe place for all people regardless of age, gender, race, culture, education, ability, economic status, marital status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

The first step on this process is forming a **steering committee**, to guide the congregation in examining and considering the many aspects of diversity and discrimination that need to be addressed. The congregation considering all this may take a year or more. A detailed guide and materials are available to help the committee with this.

If you would be interested in being part of this steering committee, please **speak with Rev. Brian**.

Knox is planning for a major capital fundraising project, and volunteers are needed! If you're interested, please see Ross Hinthier (Property Committee) or contact the Church Office.

