

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES!



Scripture & Culture Sundays, 9:15 am Session Room

Please join us as Holly Toensing, continues the study of Hector Avalos' book, *Health Care and the Rise of Christianity*. In his book, Avalos explores the understanding of illness and healing particularly in early Judaism and Christianity and the cultures from which these faiths emerged, and locates *health-caring* ethos in the context of Scripture. The book will be available at Coffee Hours and at the Church education office during the week. Cost: \$10. *Holly regularly attends Knox & has taught religion courses for over 20 years. She received her Ph.D. in Biblical Studies from Vanderbilt University and is currently at UC working on a degree in counseling.*

* **Note:** Today's 21st Century Religion & Faith has been cancelled. Please join us next Sunday, Nov. 15th, for "Long Distance Care-giving." (See below)



21st Century Religion and Faith: Long Distance Care-giving; Pam Ward RN Sunday, Nov. 15, 9:15 am, Knox Room

The holidays are approaching and with them come family gatherings that may provide an opportunity to explore how loved ones are coping. Pam Ward RN, Knox Faith Community Nurse will facilitate a discussion and share tips on how to be an effective "Long Distance" caregiver.



Coffee and Conversation Sundays, 11:00 am, Session Room

Each Sunday we hear another inspiring, thoughtful and thought-provoking sermon. Please join us at 11:00 am as we meet each Sunday to share our reactions to the sermon and pick up some new insights. This class will be facilitated by various Knox members, including Gwyneth Stewart and Doug Duckett.

* **Please Note:** No Adult Ed on Nov. 29 (Thanksgiving)

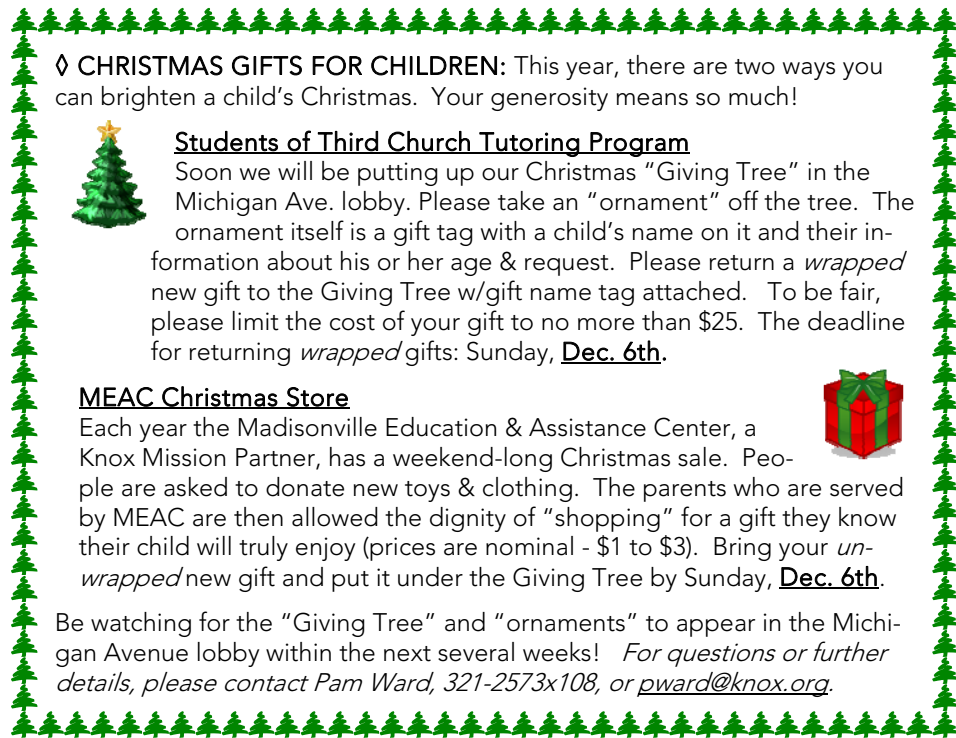
◇ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** these persons serving our country: Matt Anderson, Jeff Brewster, Matt Buchert, Joseph Elkin, Richard Gash, Richard Gulley, Stephen Herzog, Benjamin Hunter, Ben Lloyd, Jordan Lorenzen, Blake Lyon, Paul Moody, Curtis Oyster, Christopher Palmer, Thomas Rhame; Timothy Sowder, Andrew Szyek, Katie Turner, David Welker, Scott Johnson US AID.



◇ KNOX ANNUAL WREATH-MAKING ... DECEMBER 2nd!

Want to have some fun & fellowship making Christmas wreaths? Please join us for Knox's annual wreath-making activity, scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 2nd, 6 pm, in the Social Hall.

Then, Saturday morning, Dec. 5th, at 9 am, we will hang the wreaths in the Knox Commons and sanctuary. Everyone, including entire families, is welcome at both events. Bring a pair of gloves and come join us for a fun time and great fellowship! **You can sign up for either/or/both events** at the Michigan Ave. Desk, at the Info table in the Knox Commons or email, jadams@knox.org.



◇ **CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR CHILDREN:** This year, there are two ways you can brighten a child's Christmas. Your generosity means so much!



Students of Third Church Tutoring Program

Soon we will be putting up our Christmas "Giving Tree" in the Michigan Ave. lobby. Please take an "ornament" off the tree. The ornament itself is a gift tag with a child's name on it and their information about his or her age & request. Please return a *wrapped* new gift to the Giving Tree w/gift name tag attached. To be fair, please limit the cost of your gift to no more than \$25. The deadline for returning *wrapped* gifts: Sunday, Dec. 6th.

MEAC Christmas Store

Each year the Madisonville Education & Assistance Center, a Knox Mission Partner, has a weekend-long Christmas sale. People are asked to donate new toys & clothing. The parents who are served by MEAC are then allowed the dignity of "shopping" for a gift they know their child will truly enjoy (prices are nominal - \$1 to \$3). Bring your *un-wrapped* new gift and put it under the Giving Tree by Sunday, Dec. 6th.



Be watching for the "Giving Tree" and "ornaments" to appear in the Michigan Avenue lobby within the next several weeks! *For questions or further details, please contact Pam Ward, 321-2573x108, or pward@knox.org.*

◇ **DONATIONS OF paper towels & small canned goods** are always needed by MEAC. (Knox has chosen to supply these items, ongoing). Please place donated items at the base of the Michigan Ave stairwell. Thank you for your generosity!



◇ **THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT** is just around the corner! Parents, consider having your children join our Carol or Covenant Choirs now as we are beginning preparations for the pageant. It's a wonderful opportunity! For more details, please contact the Church Education office, 321-2573, ext. 111, or email tzents@knox.org.

◇ **"DEACONS ON DUTY"**... It's not too late to contact Pam Ward with your list of items you need assistance with from our Deacons. Please call Pam now at 321-2573 x108 to share your name and the type of tasks you need completed! You will be contacted by Knox Deacon Max Buchanan to schedule a date and time. *Your Knox Deacons - at your service!*



◇ **THANK YOU** to those who have turned in pledge cards! Early results are encouraging. If you have not, please turn in your pledge card today!

◇ **HELP US SAVE COFFEE HOUR!** Coffee Hour has been a much loved tradition at Knox, but it needs people who care enough to make it work. A coordinator—or a small group of coordinators—is needed to recruit, schedule & coordinate hosts. This can be a "job-share" situation & might be the perfect chance to partner w/a friend or family member. Please consider serving in this important ministry and contact Debra Templeman, Chair of Knox's Growth & Outreach Committee, 662-3252, or Email: debra_templeman@yahoo.com.



CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8, 2009

Sunday, November 8 ...Youth Deacons hand out Grocery Bags w/list
 9:15 am Fresh Spirit Worship, Knox Commons
 9:15 am Sunday School/Childcare (Infants-6th grade)
 9:15 am Adult Ed, Room 201-Knox Room & New Session Room
 10:15 am Coffee/Fellowship, Knox Commons; Youth Choirs, Rms 302, 303, 305
 11:00 am Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
 11:00 am Confirmation Class/Sunday School/Childcare (Infants-12th grade)
 11:00 am Adult Ed, Session Room
 12:00 noon Older Youth Group, Leaf Raking *(bring gloves, rakes & blowers)*
3:00 pm Jana Reister's Installation w/Reception after in Knox Commons

Monday, November 9
 10:00 am Seeker's Bible Study Class, Room 203—Library
 11:00 am Bible Study, Room 201—Knox Room
 12:00 noon The Commons Café, Knox Commons
 6:45 pm Evangelism Campaign, Room 100—Social Hall
 7:00 pm Mission: *Possible!* Meeting, Room 203—Library

Tuesday, November 10
 6:30 am NAMI Meeting, Room 100—Social Hall
 7:00 pm IHN Board Mtg, Classroom 301
 7:00 pm GO Committee, Room 201—Knox Room
 7:30 pm HP Neighborhood Council, Knox Commons

Wednesday, November 11
 7:00 am Prayer Breakfast, Room 201- Knox Room
 8:30 am Pre-school Picture Day, Room 100, Social Hall
 9:30 am Staff Meeting, Room 203-Library
10:15 am Presbyterian Women's Fellowship, Knox Commons
 5:45 pm Third Church Tutoring, Off-site

Thursday, November 12
11:00 am Memorial Service for Ed Irvin, Sanctuary
 2:00 pm Knox Blood Drive, Knox Commons (2 pm-8 pm)
 6:00 pm Knox Handbell Choir, Room 210—Handbell Room
 6:00 pm Evangelism Campaign, Room 203—Library
6:30 pm Prayer Shawl, Room 201—Knox Room
 7:30 pm Knox Choir, Chapel

Saturday, November 14 ...Youth Deacons collecting filled Grocery Bags
8:00 am Mission: *Possible!*, Knox Commons

Sunday, November 15 ...Youth Deacons collecting filled Grocery Bags
 8:45 am Blood Pressure Screening, Health Ministry Office
 9:15 am Fresh Spirit Worship, Knox Commons
 9:15 am Sunday School/Childcare (Infants-6th grade)
 9:15 am Adult Ed, Room 201-Knox Room & New Session Room
 10:15 am Coffee/Fellowship, Knox Commons; Youth Choirs, Rms 302, 303, 305
 11:00 am Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
 11:00 am Confirmation Class/Sunday School/Childcare (Infants-12th grade)
 11:00 am Adult Ed, Session Room
 No Knox Youth Groups today.
 6:30 pm Different Drum, Room 201—Knox Room

◇ **KNOX YOUTH NEWS! Older KYG—TODAY:** 12-2 pm, Leaf Raking Mission, meet in Knox parking lot. Bring work gloves, rakes and blowers if you have them. This event qualifies for school service hours!



Announcements and Opportunities

Sunday, November 8, 2009

◇ **REMEMBER ... MISSION: *POSSIBLE!*** *This* Saturday, Nov. 14. (See insert.)



◇ **GROCERY BAG MISSION PROJECT TODAY:** In conjunction with Mission: *Possible!*, our Youth Deacons are handing out empty grocery bags (w/attached instructions & a list of items needed) to be distributed to everyone attending worship services. Next Sunday, Nov. 15th, people are to bring their grocery bags back to church, filled w/non-perishable food items (from attached list). The Youth Deacons have chosen Knox Mission Partner, **MEAC**, to receive our grocery bag food donations.

◇ **SIGN UP TODAY** for Knox Blood Drive *this* Thurs., **Nov. 12th**, 2-8 pm, Knox Commons. Schedule your donation time on the sign-up sheets outside the Knox Commons (after the 9:15 am service), in the Michigan Ave. lobby (after the 11am), or call Pam Ward, 321-2573 x 108, or sign up online at: <http://www.hoxworth.org/groups/knox>. (*Thirty donors must be scheduled or Blood Drive will be cancelled.*) See insert.




◇ **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP** *this* Wednesday, **Nov. 11!** Please join us this Wednesday at 10:15 am, in the Knox Commons, as our guest speaker, Beverly Musari, speaks on "*Herbs of the Bible.*" A 20 year volunteer for the Cincinnati Horticulture Society and Past President of the Herb Society of Greater Cincinnati, Beverly brings her expertise and love of plants to share with us. Luncheon to follow. Cost - \$7. Call Beverly Maisenhalter, 351-2074 for reservations. All are welcome!

COMMONS CAFÉ: This Monday, Nov. 9th, 12:00–1:30 pm, "**Chocolate!**"

Cathy Beltz-Williams, elegant candy maker, entrepreneur & Knox member, will be sharing tales of chocolate-making (& samples of her Chocolate confections). All are welcome! Bring your lunch or enjoy a delicious deli sandwich, fresh fruit salad & pretzels from Sunshine Market for \$5. If ordering lunch, please let Pam Ward RN know by 9:30 Monday morning @ 321-2573 x108.

Monday, Nov. 16th: "Laughter is the Best Medicine," facilitated by Pam Ward RN.
 Monday, Nov. 23rd: "Thanksgiving Grace, Memories & Family Recipes Revised to be Heart Healthy," facilitated by Pam Ward RN.





You Are Cordially Invited to Attend the Installation of The Reverend Jana Rae Reister
 Today, at 3:00 pm, Knox Church
 Reception immediately to follow, in Knox Commons