Klunkers return to next week’s Annual Meeting of the Congregation

What’s a klunker, you say? Only the most delicious breakfast pastry you’ve ever tasted! If you want to put that claim to the test, join other Knox members at the Annual Meeting of the Knox Congregation at 10:00am next Sunday, February 2, in the Commons. There will be plenty of klunkers and fresh, hot coffee on hand...plus an important agenda of decisions for the congregation to discuss and vote upon. Don’t miss this important time in the life of your church! Childcare will be available in the Muscle Room.

CALL FOR 124TH ANNUAL MEETING OF CONGREGATION-CORPORATION

The Session-Board of Trustees has called the 124th Annual Meeting of the Congregation-Corporation for Sunday, February 2, 2020, at approximately 10:15am, following the 9:00am worship service, in the Knox Commons, for the purposes of (a) receiving one or more annual reports; (b) reviewing and approving updated terms of call for both Pastors; (c) receiving a report from the Congregational Nominating Committee and (d) conducting any other business that may properly come before the meeting.
All Presbyterians invited to NEXT Church national gathering in Cincinnati
The NEXT Church 2020 national gathering is in Cincinnati on March 2-4, and every Knox member is invited to attend all or any part of the conference. Join the discussion about building a more vibrant and thriving PC(USA) that shares the good news of Jesus Christ in a way that positively impacts God’s evolving world. Register at www.nextchurch.net.

Sign up today for a Dinner Group
Knox Dinner Groups meet in restaurants or homes of Knox members with the purpose of deepening relationships with Knox friends, or making new ones. You can choose what kind of group you want, including family-friendly ones. Sign up at knox.org or call the church at 513-321-2573.

Inter-generational celebration set for February 9
Seniors 81 and older and high school seniors are invited to 18+81, an inter-generational celebration and meal, on Sunday, February 9, from 12:15pm to 1:15pm in the Social Hall. Seniors, watch your mail for an invitation with all the additional details. Please RSVP to the church by January 31.
Racism class concludes today, next series begins February 9

The History of Racism in America class will conclude this Sunday, January 26, at 10:00am in the Session Room. The class will cover the history of race in America from the slave ships of the 1600s to the civil rights era of the 1960s—and how Christians today must respond. Come and learn. All adults are welcome, and childcare is provided. Gayle Jackson leads.

Coming February 9 and 16 – Race: The Present, Donald Caster leading. In these two classes, we will examine the post-civil rights progress as well as ongoing discriminatory practices in economics, education, and law enforcement which continue to put the African American community at a social disadvantage.

Coming February 23 – Race: How Can People of Faith Respond? (a round table discussion). We will close by looking at the many notable efforts under way in the US to achieve a just and inclusive society and how we as members of the community of faith can be part of the creation of a just and inclusive society.

Children, parents invited to Lord’s Table Retreat Saturday, February 1

Children in second grade through sixth grade—and their parents—are invited to the Lord’s Table Retreat from 9:00am to 11:30am this Saturday in the Social Hall. Join Tina Hubert, Director of Faith Formation, and Knox member Michelle Blacketer, in an exploration of the Lord’s Supper (Communion). Learn why we celebrate it as a church family, help Deacons prepare the elements, and take a special part in the Communion celebration on Sunday, February 2. Stay afterwards for lunch together if you’d like! Contact Tina at thubert@knox.org or 513-321-2573 for information and to register.
Thinking about joining Knox?
Check out the Inquirers Series for Membership

Whether you are ready to join Knox or still discerning, the Inquirers Series for Membership is for you! The Series begins this afternoon at 4:30pm, and offers the opportunity to meaningfully connect with other Inquirers, Knox members and staff while exploring the foundations of the Presbyterian Church (USA), Christian discipleship, and opportunities to grow in faith in Christ and to put that faith into action. Contact Anna Lennon at atklennon@gmail.com to learn more.

Concert at Knox features Kara Huber and classical guitarist

Kara Huber, Fresh Spirit Music Director, will present a concert at Knox on Friday, February 7, at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. She will be joined by classical guitarist Andrew Hull, who will premiere his new etudes along with a program of lyrical miniatures and duets with Kara. Hull is a former prize winner of the prestigious Guitar Foundation of America International Competition and is a Fulbright Scholar. As for Knox’s own Kara—she’s an accomplished concert pianist (check her website at karahuber.com). Admission by donation.

Knox sixth-seventh grade game night

All Knox sixth- and seventh-graders are invited to a night of games and snacks on Friday, February 7, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Bring a friend! Tina Hubert at thubert@knox.org has the details.
If you like coffee and conversation...
You need to sign up and host! Hosts are needed for several Sundays. It’s easy, fun and a great way for your family, group of friends or Knox organization to meet new people. Contact Scott Tieke at stieke@me.com for the details and to sign up.

Knox Men’s Group plans hockey night
It’s an annual tradition—the Knox Men’s Group and Cincinnati Cyclones hockey! Join the group on Thursday, February 20 when the Cyclones play the Toledo Walleyes. The puck drops at 7:30pm, and tickets are only $14. For more information, contact Paul Gaffney at PGaffney@gbq.com or 513-304-9600. All men are invited!

Men also set winter gathering for February 5
If something quieter than a hockey match is more your style, all men also are invited to the Men’s Group winter gathering at 6:30pm on Wednesday, February 5, at the home of Bob Reed, 5112 Shattuc Avenue. We’ll be serving some hearty soup, fresh-baked bread and beverages. RSVP to Bob at rreed45208@gmail.com.
Knox members of all ages celebrate
Martin Luther King, Jr., Day across Cincinnati
This past weekend saw members and friends of Knox spread across the city in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Sunday at Knox, a good-sized crowd gathered in the Session Room for an adult faith formation class on the history of racism. That evening, members of the Knox Youth Group overnighted at the Isaac Wise Temple with other youth from across the city to discuss race relations (some fun was had, too), and then joined the MLK Day march in Cincinnati. Monday morning, other Knox members took part in an interfaith breakfast and workshop co-sponsored by Knox at the Adath Israel Congregation and then also joined the downtown March.
This week at Knox

Week of January 26, 2020

Sunday, January 26
8:45am—12:15pm  Childcare—Nursery and Muscle Room
9:00am—10:00am  Children’s Sunday School
9:00am—10:00am  Fresh Spirit Worship service—Commons
10:00am—11:00am  Children’s Choir rehearsal—Room 301
10:00am—11:00am  Perspectives Bible study—Room 303
10:00am—11:00am  History of Racism class—Session Room
10:00am—11:00am  Coffee & Conversation—Social Hall
11:00am—11:30am  Safe Churches training—Youth Room
10:00am—11:00am  Children’s Choir rehearsal—Room 301
10:00am—11:00am  Annual meeting of the congregation—Commons
11:00am—12:00pm  Children’s Sunday School
11:00am—12:00pm  Traditional Worship service—Sanctuary
11:00am—12:00pm  Eighth Grade Confirmation Class—Room 304
4:30pm—6:30pm  Inquirers Series for Membership—Social Hall
4:00pm—5:00pm  High school faith formation—Youth Room
5:00pm—7:00pm  Knox Youth Group—Youth Room

Monday, January 27
9:45am—11:15am  Knox Playgroup—Muscle Room
1:00pm—3:00pm  Elder Wisdom Circle—Knox Room
6:30pm—8:30pm  Adult Faith Formation team—Library
7:00pm—8:30pm  Building & Grounds committee—Room 301
7:00pm—8:30pm  Deacons meeting—Social Hall

Tuesday, January 28
1:00pm—3:00pm  Elder Wisdom Circle—Knox Room
4:00pm—6:00pm  Elder Wisdom Circle—Knox Room

Thursday, January 30
6:15pm—7:15pm  Handbell Choir rehearsal—Handbell Room
7:30pm—9:30pm  Knox Choir rehearsal—Choir Room

Saturday, February 1
9:00am—1:00pm  Lord’s Table Retreat—Social Hall

Sunday, February 2
8:45am—12:15pm  Childcare—Nursery and Muscle Room
9:00am—10:00am  Children’s Sunday School
9:00am—10:00am  Fresh Spirit Worship service—Commons
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About today’s anthem

The anthem at today’s 11:00am Traditional Worship service, “Make Me New,” was commissioned by Knox members Christy and Scott Holland for the Knox Choir, Earl Rivers, Director, to celebrate the 125th anniversary of Knox Presbyterian Church.

“Make Me New” was composed by Dale Warland. Warland has made an indelible impression on contemporary choral music, nationally and internationally. In a quarter-century with the Dale Warland Singers (DWS), he shaped a professional ensemble lauded for its exquisite sound, technical finesse, and stylistic range. From that platform, Warland not only offered stunning performances of traditional repertory but also commissioned and premiered some 270 works from composers around the globe. After disbanding the DWS, he served as music director of the former Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra Chorale and the Minnesota Beethoven Festival Chorale—both positions created for him.

Warland’s many honors include awards from ASCAP, the McKnight Foundation, and Chorus America, as well as a Grammy nomination. In 2012, he was inducted into the American Classical Music Hall of Fame. In his mid-eighties, he remains sought-after as conductor, composer, and teacher. Guest-conducting has taken him to the podiums of the Danish and Swedish radio choirs, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, the Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir, and Israel’s Cameron Singers, among many others. He curates choral series for five publishers; his own compositions and arrangements are widely performed. His acclaimed DWS recordings are available through www.gothicrecords.com. The DWS Archives and Choral Library, housed at the University of Cincinnati, constitute a unique resource for the profession.