



## SteepleTalk

*Find out what's going on and what's coming up  
in the life and ministry at John Knox Presbyterian Church.*

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### Women's Retreat



Our Women's Retreat is this Saturday, February 24 and we are rolling out the red carpet for our guests – valet parking is available for those who are interested! More than 100 women are registered for the retreat and we're looking forward to reconnecting, growing in faith and learning how to relate and communicate across generational differences.

[Register Here](#)



### This Sunday's Worship

Sermon:  
"Only God's Promise"

Gordon Turnbull

[Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16](#)  
[Romans 4:13-25](#)

Lent is a time for spiritual introspection and inventory, preparing us to observe Christ's passion, crucifixion, and resurrection. Our worship series in Lent will focus on the radical trust to which God invites us by emphasizing the word *only*. Our culture offers consumers many options and demands low commitment, but the only appropriate response to God's radical gift is our radical trust. Is God alone truly the hope of our well-being? Is Christ alone the hope of our salvation? Wherever we find ourselves trusting something more than we do God in Jesus Christ, God graciously invites us to relinquish our false hope and to grasp the fullness of God's saving love—a sacrificial love we will see enacted on Good Friday and vindicated on Easter Sunday.

Gordon Turnbull

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## Youth Chili Cook-Off and Silent Auction

Our annual youth fundraiser, the Chili Cook-Off and Silent Auction, will be held on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> following the 11:00 service in the Fellowship Hall. This annual event raises funds to offset costs of our youth mission trips and summer conferences, giving students the opportunity to encounter the Living God through service, biblical truth, and fellowship! None of this important work would be possible without the faithful commitment and support you extend to our youth program each year, and we would love to have you partner with us again as we prepare for the work the Lord will do this coming summer!

How can you help?

1. Come and join us on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> for a delicious lunch, silent auction, and fellowship with our church family!
2. Sign-up for the cook-off and put a pot of your best chili to the test! Email [jmeggs@johnknoxpres.org](mailto:jmeggs@johnknoxpres.org) or be on the lookout for sign-up sheets in Sunday School and at various church programs!
3. More of a baker than a chili cooker? Sign-up to bring a dessert to share at the bake sale!
4. Help with silent auction items- from gift cards to vacation houses to sports tickets and beyond!

Email [debbiemeggs@gmail.com](mailto:debbiemeggs@gmail.com) if you have any auction ideas!

We can't wait to celebrate the work the Lord is doing in our Youth Programs with you! Thank you in advance for your continued support and encouragement!

ANNUAL JOHN KNOX YOUTH

# CHILI COOK-OFF & SILENT AUCTION

Sunday, March 4th @ 12

Hot Prizes for the best chili!  
Can't miss auction items!

suggested  
donation of  
**\$5/ PERSON**  
**\$15/FAMILY**

Support our  
youth  
programs!

## Shining the light of Christ....

Wednesday Night Series

February 28: Thornwell Home For Children

March 7: Greenville Interfaith Hospitality  
Network

March 14: Greer Relief

March 21: Triune Mercy Center

## Wednesday Nights

February 28

5:45 - Dinner

Menu: Sliced Roast Beef with gravy, rice, veggies, salad bar, rolls, dessert

6:15 - Program

Thornwell Home for Children

Joy Messner & Robert Whitney



K3-5th Grade dismissed for Children's program. Nursery provided.



## Dementia Seminar

You are invited to attend a 3-part series about Dementia by Jamie Guay, a dementia specialist who spoke at our seminar last October.

Her topics will include **The Basics, Effective Communication, Behavior, and Caregiver Stress**. Save the dates: March 11, April 8, and April 29 from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. in our Fellowship Hall. No registration is necessary.



## Youth Ministry News

### Sunday Night Youth Group

Join us in the Youth Center this Sunday night for a time of fellowship over dinner, games, and discussion as we wrap up our series on Fruits of the Spirit! We can't wait to see you there!

Jr. Highs: 4:30-6

Sr. Highs: 5:30-7

### Sunday School

Join us Sunday mornings during Lent for a study of Jesus' final week in the Youth Center. We will gather at 9:45 for a time of fellowship before diving deeper into the life of Jesus and his journey to the cross on our behalf.



### Wednesday Night Programs

After dinner with our church family on Wednesday nights, students are invited down to the Youth Center for a new video series and discussion! We hope you'll join us as we think about different topics facing us as teenagers today and talk about what it means to live rooted in Christ amidst all of the changes and pressures we face.



## Children's Ministry News

### Children's Handbells

We have one more practice with the children's handbells this Sunday, February 25. Join us in the children's choir room from 4:30 -5:15 so that we can be ready to play in church on March 4. We really need all of our ringers to come ring their bells! Our children have worked very hard on their songs, and will be performing during both worship services on March 4. We hope you can all be there!



### Mailbox

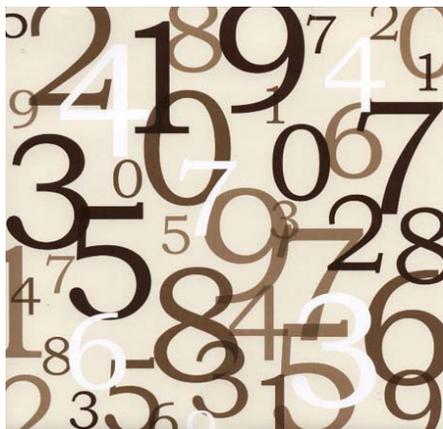
Dear Friends,  
Thanks so much for all the cards and calls during the sudden death of my brother, Jim McGuire. We appreciated your thoughts and prayers. It is such a comfort to have such a loving, caring church family.

Mike & Mary K. Davis

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### February

- 23 - Danielle Marton
- 24 - Janet Moore
- 25 - Glenda Wickstrom, Amanda Littrell, Matthew Littrell, Morgan Littrell, Anna Russell
- 28 - Marion Dorsey, Judy Brooks, Allison Broadway
- 29 - Cathy Tew, William Pelletier, Jack Smallridge



### By the Numbers

Attendance on Sunday, February 18  
8:30 - 69  
11:00 - 197

Weekly Offering Received: \$11,039.20  
Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$17,211.31  
YTD Offering Received: \$119,341.40  
YTD Budgeted Offering: \$120,479.17

Please email all submissions for Steepetalk to [m.scott@johnknoxpres.org](mailto:m.scott@johnknoxpres.org). For Thursday publication, information must be received by Tuesday at 12 PM.

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