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JANUARY 28

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 am
Sunday School

10:30 am
in the Sanctuary
Service of Installation for the
Rev. David Howell

This Sunday's Worship

Sermon:
"How Long?"

[Psalm 40](#)
[Philippians 4](#)

Matt Matthews





CALLED AND SENT

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDIES LED BY GORDON TURNBULL

January 24 When God Calls

January 31 Jesus and God's Mission

February 7 The Church and God's Mission

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

January 31

**5:45
DINNER**

Roasted Pork Loin
Mac/Cheese, Green Beans
Salad Bar, Rolls
Dessert

**6:15
PROGRAM**

Called and Sent: Jesus and
God's Mission
Bible Study led by
Gordon Turnbull

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


Sunday, February 4

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

10:45 AM

Sanctuary

For the purpose of presenting the budget
and reviewing the Terms of Calls.



Why is this Door Locked?

There are 31 exterior doors at John Knox. Six months ago, there were more than 180 “master” keys floating around out there that could open every one of these doors ... we might as well have had no locking doors whatsoever. And, at the end of every day, the only way to assure that all 31 doors were locked, and our facilities were secure, was for someone to physically walk to each door, often after dark, and verify that it was locked. Today, we still have 31 exterior doors ... and, just as in the past, you can exit the building through any one of these doors.

Of these 31 doors, however, only 9 provide entry to our buildings. These 9 doors are electronically locked, unlocked, & monitored. Also, we know to whom “keys” (fob, or “credit card sized” card) have been issued, and our system keeps a record of when, & at which door, every key is used.

On a weekly basis, there’s an unbelievable amount of activity at John Knox ... from regularly scheduled meetings to “one off” events like the recent presentation on aging. In all cases, the appropriate doors are “programmed” to accommodate each event; that is, specific doors are unlocked and locked on a schedule that has been determined by the event’s sponsor and our administration team.

Our electronic door system went active last summer. As expected, some “bugs” have popped up; we’ve addressed each as quickly as possible. Our most recent “tweak” has been to lock all doors shortly after the start of the 11:00 AM service. So, if you’re running a little late, please enter through the narthex doors. Though these doors will be locked, there’s always an usher or two in the narthex who can let you in. Following the 11:00 AM service, the doors are unlocked until 12:30 PM.

The door security system is just one part of our larger effort to assure the safety and security of every person while they are at John Knox. It’s a good system; it’s working well, and we will continue to learn new ways to improve its performance. Your patience, cooperation, and input are greatly appreciated as we work to achieve the proper balance between the system’s benefit - safety & security - and the level of inconvenience it may occasionally cause.

If you have questions, don’t hesitate to contact me (864-270-6515). If you have a specific

need, please contact Mandy (864-244-0453).

Thank You
Miller McClintock
Moderator, Property & Operations Committee

Women's Retreat

The church community is one of the only environments where all generations come together at one time making it uniquely positioned to bridge the generational divide. At our "Generation after Generation" Women's Retreat on Saturday, February 24 from 9 am - 2 pm, Jessica Stollings will lead us through three sessions:

Session 1: See Differently – Understand different generations and their unique approaches to faith, communication, and relationships.

Session 2: Bridge Gaps – break down all barriers and unite, maximizing collective strengths to build a stronger faith community.

Session 3: Share it Forward - Honor established generations, empower emerging generations, translate faith from generation to generation.

Please join us for a day of discovery, growth, and fun. Registration brochures can be found in the narthex or you can register online at <http://www.johnknoxpres.org> (under quick links, women's retreat).

[Register Here](#)



CELTIC echoes

Young at Hearts

Once again the Crescent Music Club is sharing its February program with the John Knox YAH's. This will be a spectacular event of folk music featuring the Ukaladies and Celtic Echoes, a group of ukulele players plus one hammered dulcimer player (Heidi Haase Smith) that gather to play, sing, share, laugh and perform across Celtic, patriotic, oldies, and folk genres. There is no cost for the program which begins at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 2, in the Fellowship Hall. A catered lunch will follow, and YAH's are invited to attend. The cost is \$15 all of which goes for the Club's music scholarships. YAH's members respond by calling Bessie/Bill Lee (233-5518) or LaRue Wait (675-6172). Make checks payable to Crescent Music Club.

Coffee and refreshments will be available beginning at 10:15 a.m. in the Kirk Room for all attending the program.



Youth Ministry News

Sunday School Time Change!

Due to the special worship service for the Installation of Rev. David Howell at 10:30 on Sunday, we will gather for Sunday School and Confirmation at 9:15 this Sunday! Be sure to meet us in the Youth Center at this earlier time for a continuation of our study on key figures in the New Testament. Can't wait to see you there!

Youth Group

Join us this Sunday night for a time of games, study, and fellowship over dinner in the Youth Center!

Jr. Highs: 4:30-6

Sr. Highs: 5:30-7

Sr. High Mini Montreat

Calling all high school students! Our annual retreat with Foothills Presbytery is almost here and we want you to come with us for what's sure to be an awesome weekend! This year's retreat will take place March 16-18 and will be a weekend full of worship, discussion, recreation and fellowship in the beautiful mountains of Montreat! You should have received an email regarding registration earlier this week, if you have not gotten that information let Jessica know ASAP. Deadline to sign-up is SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4th so be sure to get your information in soon!



Senior High Retreat



Children's Ministry News

Sunday School

Remember that Sunday School will be a little earlier this Sunday! On January 28, we will be having one combined worship service at 10:30 in the Sanctuary. Therefore, Sunday School will be held from 9:15 -10:15. We are looking forward to the installation of David Howell as our Associate Pastor at our worship service that morning. We hope to see lots of you here for Sunday School and worship.

Parents, please make sure you are escorting your children to and from Sunday School each Sunday. If you attend the 8:30 worship service, please walk your children to their Sunday School class after the worship service. We want to ensure the safety of all of our children, and it is important that they are supervised at all times while at church. Our teachers will gladly be ready to welcome them into their classes by 9:35, which is 10 minutes before the official start of the Sunday School hour. Thank you for helping us all enjoy a smooth transition between our worship services and our Sunday School classes.

John Knox Kindergarten and Parents' Day Out Fundraiser

Friday Jan. 26 – Sunday Jan. 28

Our first Book Fair with Barnes and Noble!!! We are excited about this wonderful fundraiser that offers our kindergarten and church families fun ways to promote and support our John Knox ministry!

A percentage of all purchases (books, movies or anything they sell)- in store or online- will be

credited to JKK! (And for five days beyond for online purchases!) You just need to provide our voucher number #12319372 (for on line orders). You can just tell the sales clerk if you are in the store- they have our voucher number at each register.

The Haywood Road location will also be hosting special events over these three days. Please come out and encourage your family and friends to participate!

Friday Jan. 26th *Enjoy the art exhibit of works by our children

Saturday, Jan. 27th 10 am *Bring the children and grandchildren for story time with Ms. Sharp, our talented art teacher

*11 am Storytime with Ms. Bobby and 12 noon Storytime with Ms. Anna (Two favorite teachers with our preschoolers!)

*Be sure to contribute to the designing of our large Book Of Prayers, a group art project that will be set up near the children's books

*3:00 Saturday afternoon, the children will enjoy music time with Ms. Riddle, our joy-filled music teacher

Sunday, Jan. 28th *How about an afternoon scavenger hunt?! During the hours between 2:30 and 5:00, Mom, Dad, or a Grand 'friend' can help each child find our items around the store and then head to the café for the reward of a free cookie!

*3pm and 4 pm There will also be story times with Ms. Alewine, one of our K 3 teachers, and Ms. Tami, our Director (We've heard that one or two of Ms. Tami's puppet friends might make an appearance!)

There will be a Wish Tree with items you can 'pick to purchase' that will enhance the children's classrooms!



Mailbox

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the cards, well wishes and words of encouragement during my recent glaucoma and cataract surgery. How blessed I am be with such a caring congregation. Love you all!

Betty Ward



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January

25 - John Brumley, Carrie Brown, Cecil Kelley, Ridgeway Jackson

26 - Kay Malcolm, Mickey McBride, Bill McBride, Alex Gutierrez, Wells Anderson

27 - Adam Tew, Ansley Watson, Maggie Gettig

28 - Jerry Gravett

29 - Graham Ward, Campbell Ballard

30 - Reagan Jackson

31 - Brian Whitlock

By the Numbers

Attendance on Sunday, January 21

8:30 - 92
11:00 - 190



Weekly Offering Received: \$18,137.70
Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$17,211.31
YTD Offering Received: \$44,439.15
YTD Budgeted Offering: \$51,633.93

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