



SteepleTalk

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in the life and ministry at John Knox Presbyterian Church.*

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This Sunday's Worship



"The Church Behind Closed Doors"

David Howell

[Psalm 96:1-3](#)
[John 20:19-31](#)

Shining the light of Christ....

Wednesday Night Series

March 14: Greer Relief

March 21: Triune Mercy Center

April 11: Hospice Care

April 18: Stephen Ministry

Wednesday Nights

April 11

5:45 – Dinner

Menu:

Breaded Baked Chicken, Mac/Cheese, Veggies, Salad Bar, Rolls, Dessert

6:15 – Program

Open Arms Hospice

Will be discussing:

General information concerning hospice care

Specific details concerning Open Arms' services

Volunteer opportunities

Q&A



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

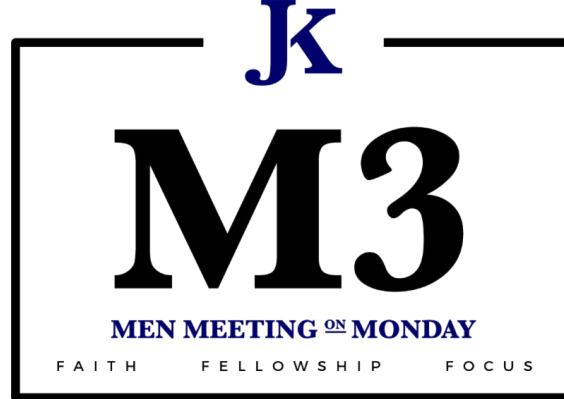


Dementia Series

You are invited to attend the second presentation of a 3-part series entitled *Embracing Your New Normal —Dementia* by Jamie Guay on April 8 from 2:00 until 3:30 p.m. She will identify **effective communication** strategies with each stage of dementia and offer families new ways to connect. Each part of the series stands alone, so if you missed the previous presentation, feel free to come on April 8. No registration is necessary.

You can watch the first presentation on our YouTube Channel by clicking [here!](#)

The men of JK are invited to gather at 13 Stripes Brewery on Monday, April 9 at 6:00 PM for a time for fellowship. Bring something to eat. (Going forward, food will be available from a restaurant next door.)

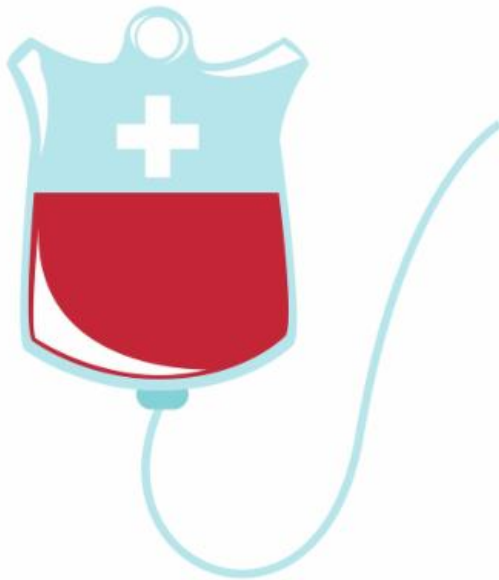


BLOOD DRIVE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

4:00 - 7:30 PM

Contact the church office
to sign up



Habitat Build

John Knox will be participating in the 2018 Habitat Faith Build on Thursday April 12. Anybody that is interested should contact Bill Mathews (864-787-2305 or bmathews0@charter.net).

Want to know more about the family whose home we are helping to build? Click [here](#)!



YAHs! Another Road Trip

YAHs will be hitting the road again APRIL 17th to visit Thornwell Home for Children. Many of you heard Joy Messner speak at WNL a few weeks ago. What a wonderful portrayal of the help and care being given to children without an appropriate home in which to find the nurture and love needed for a healthy childhood. If you missed this program, you will want even more to go to see for yourselves the way Thornwell is making a difference!

YOUNG AT HEART

We will tour the campus by bus, visit the Chapel, spend time in Ferguson cottage meeting the Cottage Parents and learning how the family unit operates. We will hear about the plans to reopen the on-campus Charter School where new learning techniques will help below grade level kids (and most are very behind) catch up their reading and writing skills. We will visit the Jacobs house where Dr. Jacobs and his wife first took in 10 orphaned children in the 1860's.

Box lunches will be catered to the Campus so we can relax and refresh before starting home. Cost will be \$10- \$12. There will be van transportation provided, but PLEASE call or text to reserve your spot, or you are welcome to drive on your own. The van will depart promptly at 10:30 AM from the church. To reserve, please call Bessie Lee@ 233-5518 or text her@ 447-9504 or call or text LaRue Wait @ 915-0607.



JOHN KNOX WORKDAY

Saturday, April 21

8:00 AM



With the winter months almost behind us, it is time for us to get together for for our annual John Knox Spring Cleaning...

Join us on Saturday, April 21, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon to help beautify our campus.

Bring your favorite yard tool...dippers, rakes, brooms, shovels, and gloves are always useful.

We also have a need for "inside" cleaning specialists!

Refreshments and snacks will be available.

If needed, Saturday, April 28, will serve as our rain date.

P I C N I C

The John Knox annual church picnic will be on Sunday, May 6 after the 10:30 AM morning service. Please make reservations online or turn a reservation card into the church office by April 29.

Donations accepted at serving table.
\$7 suggested for BBQ and \$2 suggested for PB&J.

[Click here for picnic reservations.](#)

WE NEED YOU!!!!

Do you love to read? Or do fun activities with children? Or do you have a special talent? If so, then we need your help for the John Knox Summer Program!! We are asking for volunteers to come visit, play or read to the kids. Children love to have different people come visit! Any time you can donate would be great (30 minutes, an hour). The program runs from June 25th to August 2nd, Monday thru Thursday 9am until 1pm. Please contact Melanie Hendrix at 864-238-4699 or Melanie.hendrix@gmail.com if you would like to help.



Youth Ministry News

No Youth Group this week!

Due to Spring Break we will not gather for Sunday Night Youth Group this week! Enjoy your break and we will see you back next week as we continue our series, Stressed Out!

Summer Trip Registration is Open!

Registration for our Summer 2018 youth opportunities is open and we want you to join us! All necessary forms and deadlines were included in JK Youth News, if you didn't receive that email be sure to email jmeggs@johnknoxpres.org or drop by the church office to get your forms. All forms and payments are due Sunday, April 29th! Parents are asked to join us for Parent Meetings regarding trip details, expectations, and other necessary information on the following days:

Jr. High Parents Meeting – Sunday, April 15th @ 12:15 in the Youth Center

Sr. High Parents Meeting – Sunday, April 22nd @ 12:15 in the Youth Center

We look forward to a summer of growth, fellowship, and service together!

Need service hours?

Come volunteer at Parent's Night Out next Friday, April 13th!

HELP WANTED

Spend the night playing games, hanging out, and watching a movie with our youngest church friends! If you would like to join us, be sure to email sfelton@johnknoxpres.org to sign-up.



Children's Ministry News

Parents' Night Out

Parents, it's time to plan a night out without the children! Our springtime *Parents' Night Out* will be held on **Friday, April 13, from 6:00 – 8:30**. This is a fun night for all! Your children will get to come to John Knox for dinner and activities with their church friends and parents get a few hours of "kid-free" time! Everyone will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 for games and a pizza dinner. Then we will have activities and recreation time for the children. We will end the night with a movie in the Youth Center! As an added bonus, there will be **NO FEE!!** Age-appropriate activities will be planned for children ages K3 - 5th grade, with a nursery available for our youngest ones (3 years and younger). If you also have an older child (youth group age) who would like to come, they can join us as a youth volunteer and help with the younger ones! **Please RSVP to Susan Felton by Friday, April 6 to let us know your children are coming!** (sfelton@johnknoxpres.org)



Children's Music Program

Our children will have their next "musical burst" of Sunday afternoon practices during the month of April. We will practice on the following Sundays: April 15, April 22, and April 29. Mrs. Martin will hold practices in the children's choir room from 4:30 – 5:15 each of these Sundays. We will sing in church on Sunday, May 6, which will be a combined worship service held at 10:30, followed by our church-wide spring picnic. It should be a great day for all of our church families, and we hope that lots of our children can come share their sweet voices and be part of our worship service that day!

Sunday School

Our elementary children will be studying John the Baptist during the month of April. Through art activities, dramatic plays, and trivia games, the children will learn about God's true purpose for John and the events surrounding the baptism of Jesus. You may want to talk to your child about their own baptism, and ask them what they are learning about this month in Sunday School. Thank you to our April Kids' Club teachers: Sarah and Jason Mullis and Kelly and John Colacioppo. We hope to see lots of our children in Sunday School!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April

- 5 - Slate Dennis
- 6 - Josh Ballard
- 7 - Ben Stokes, Grayson Ward
- 8 - Phil Brandon, Drake Ambrose
- 9 - Roger Colville, Emily Kramer
- 10 - Daniel Drew
- 11 - Virginia Dennis, Anna Kate Weekes

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