



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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Greenville Area Relay for Life - Don't forget!

When: Friday, April 29, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Where: Conestee Park (840 Mauldin Rd.)
Greenville

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This Sunday's Worship:

Scripture Lessons

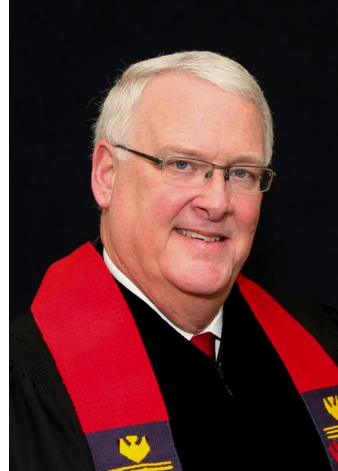
[Isaiah 55: 1-13](#)

[John 7:37-39](#)

"Sacred Thirst"

Joseph Gaston

Click [here](#) to preview the bulletin.



Visitors' Breakfast

The Evangelism Committee invites those who may be interested in becoming a member of John Knox to join us **during the Sunday School hour on May 15**. The event will be in the Kirk Room **at 10:00**, and a light breakfast will be served. Our senior minister Dr. Gordon Turnbull will be among those joining us.

On **May 22** the Session will meet to receive new members, and **May 29** new members will be introduced to the congregation and welcomed in their preferred worship service.

If it is convenient, please RSVP to Mandy in the church office (mescott@johnknoxpres.org) or Ann Brumley (abrumley@bellsouth.net) by Thursday, May 12. We look forward to being with you.



Young at Hearts (YAHs)

Join the YAHs for an excursion to the North Carolina Arboretum just off the Parkway for a tour and lunch on May 17. Van will be provided. Admission fee to the Arboretum is \$5/person. Meet at the Church at 8:30.

Reservations are very important. Stay tuned for more details.

Church-wide Picnic

Save the Date: Church-wide Picnic on the church grounds on May 22, right after the 11:00 service.

Bald Hawg BBQ is catering. Dress for both is casual. RSVP cards will be the pews on May 8 and 15.



Student from Galilee Korean Presbyterian Named as a College Intern

Sung Min Kim, a graduating senior of Mauldin High School, will be participating in the Summer College Internship Program, "Speak Lord, Your Servant is Listening." He will be entering college this fall and expects to declare a major in "Religion and Theology."

The family of Sung Min's father is originally from what is now North Korea. Sung Min's grandmother, while pregnant with his father fled the north to safety in the south. While in South Korea, his mother and father met and were married. Three years ago Sung Min and his family relocated to South Carolina. His father is the pastor of the Galilee Korean Presbyterian Church that meets at St. Giles.

Sung Min is interested in exploring medical missions as a possible vocation and call. Also, part of his internship will be focused on service in the life of the St. Giles congregation and other diverse opportunities.

David Howell, former John Knox Associate Pastor, will serve as Sung Min's mentor. David is presently serving as Stated Supply of Second Presbyterian of Spartanburg. Matt Matthews, Senior Pastor of St. Giles will serve as the Associate Director of this pilot project for discernment of vocation and call for five racially diverse college students which include Jessica Meggs and Bette Klauber of John Knox.

Please join us in prayer for God's grace and guidance of these interns, mentors and other leaders in order that they all may hear God's

call in their lives, at least for this summer!!!
The internships will begin with a Circles of Trust Retreat held at John Knox, May 11-13.

United Ministries Soup Donations

I have been wondering how to encourage our congregation to bring cans of soup to church. The first Sunday in April we counted 170 cans. When we were collecting "food" we donated about \$500.00 worth of food a month. It occurred to me that was because if you didn't shop for food for UM, you just raided your pantry.

Now that we are collecting cans of soup, we need to remember to pick some up when we are at the grocery store. So how about putting soup on your grocery list. Even though the first Sunday in the month is "Soup Sunday" you can bring your cans of soup to church at anytime. Baskets for your soup are in the outer Narthex. To everyone who is taking part in this mission, thank you.

Kathy Hopkins



YOUTH NEWS



MISSION TRIP

Youth Trips

Remember that payments for both Senior High summer trips (Jacksonville and Montreat) are due this Sunday, May 1. See your youth newsletters for more details. You may turn in your money to the Youth mailbox in the church office. Contact Susan Felton with any questions!

It's time to start planning for our Junior High Mission Trip to Thornwell Home for Children. We



Graduation Sunday is May 15. We will celebrate the accomplishments of all of our graduates during the 11:00 service. Graduates are invited to wear their caps and gowns. They will march into the sanctuary, sit together at the front, and be recognized during the service. We are very proud of these students! Congratulations!



Confirmation Sunday is May 8. Our 8th graders

will be going to Thornwell July 17-21. Please let us know if your middle schooler will be joining us on this wonderful trip.

will be giving their Statements of Faith that both services that day. Please join us as we celebrate this important milestone in their faith journey.

KIDS NEWS



Kids' News

During the month of May, our elementary children will be studying the "Stilling of the Storm". Our scripture reading will be: Mark 4:35-41. The memory verse comes from Mark 4: 41b – "Who is this man? Even the wind and the waves obey Him!"

Our 5th graders will be starting an exciting new Sunday School class that will help get them ready for their transition into the youth group in the fall. This class will start this Sunday, May 1, and run through the summer until Rally Day on August 21. Our first lessons will concentrate on some important "tween" issues, and then we will spend some time reviewing the Bible stories they learned during their years in Kids' Club.

Our Kids' Club teachers for the month of May:

Kelly and John Colacioppo and Chris Mathews –
1st– 4th Grades

Sarah Mullis - 5th Grade Transition Class

Vacation Bible School

Registration has begun!! Registration forms can be found in the hall outside the Chapel, as well as on bulletin boards on the Kindergarten and Kids' Club halls. You can also download a form by clicking [here](#). Registration is required and is due by May 22. Turn forms in to the VBS mailbox in the church office. Remember there is NO FEE for VBS this year!! Music CDs are available for \$5. Dinner reservations are also required, but you don't have to pay until you come to eat on Sunday, June 12. So come CATCH THE WAVE OF GOD'S AMAZING LOVE" June 12- 15!! For questions or volunteer opportunities, contact Susan Felton at sfelton@johnknoxpres.org

Children's Choir

All of our children ages K3 – 5th grade are invited to sing with the children's choir on Sunday, May 8, which is Mother's Day. Children will be singing at both services. Stay tuned for more details!

Summer Program registration has started! Once again, we will have our summer program forages infant through about 3rd grade. The dates of operation are June 20- July 28. The program runs Mondays through Thursdays, with basic hours being 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Early drop off at 8:00 a.m. or extended day hours until 5:00 p.m. are available for extra charges. The rates are \$20 per day, per child for the 9 to 1 period if your child is signed up for 11 or more days. If they are registered for 10 or less days, the charge is \$28 per day. Early and extended hours are \$5 per hour, per day. For registration information, class availability, etc. please call 322-0045.

The annual Kindergarten classes spring musical is scheduled for Thursday evening, May 5, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome! We will also be displaying art canvases that the children have painted in Ms. Sharp's art class over the past several months. Artwork will be for sale after the musical part of the program.



Registration for 2016-2017 school year is still in progress. We continue to have space in some of our classes for the upcoming fall. If you would like information, or to come in for a tour, please call Laurie at 322-0045.



Lost & Found

Please stop by the church office through the month of May to check our lost and found. Many umbrellas, jackets, and miscellaneous items have accumulated. At the end of May, we plan to donate those items that have not been claimed. Thank you!

Mailbox

Dear John Knox,
Just a few lines to thank you for all your prayers, cards, and calls during my hospital stay and also all the sympathy cards for the deaths of Mike's brother and sister-in-law. We are truly blessed to have such a loving and caring church home.

Thanks,
Mike & Mary K. Davis





Staff Anniversary

**Betty Ward - Pianist
5 Years**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April

28 - Sarah Margaret Pratt

29 - Jacob deMaine

30 - Mark Britt, Jack Greiner

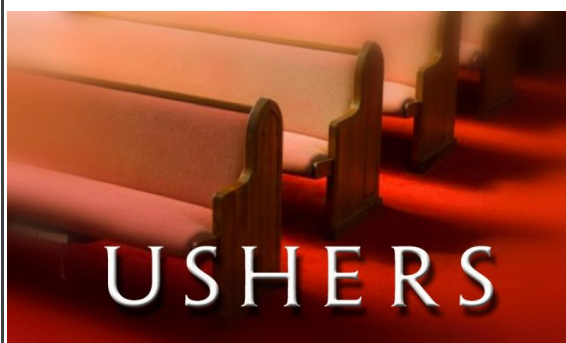
May

1 - Katherine Gutierrez, Millie Gettig

2 - Jake Smith

3 - Jackson Campbell

4 - Norm Brooks



Ushers for May

8:45

Stevie Greene

11:00

Head Usher - Guy Cloer

Leaders - Bill Mathews and Danny Schaaf

By the Numbers

Attendance on April 24

8:45 - 86

11:00 - 224

FINANCIAL UPDATE: 4/24/16

Weekly Expense Budget: \$17,827.00

Weekly Offering Received: \$9,624.86

Expense Budget YTD: \$303,059.00

Offering Received YTD: \$266,535.89



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Please email all submissions for Steepetalk to msscott@johnknoxpres.org. For Thursday publication, information must be received by Tuesday at 12 PM.

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