



SteepleTalk

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

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This Sunday's Worship

"Making All Things New"
[Revelation 21:1-6, 22-27; 22:1-5](#)

**There will be no Wednesday night activities on
November 22 due to the Thanksgiving holiday!**

First Love, First Fruits: Where We Stand

To date we have received 138 pledges toward our ministry in 2018 for a total of \$642,198. This

amount covers 66% of our funding goal of \$972,000. If we can reach our target, our Session can confidently budget for the ambitious ministry to which we believe God is calling us all.

If you have not yet offered a pledge, we invite and encourage you to do so soon. Pledge cards are available on the tables outside the Chapel and Sanctuary, in the church office, and on bulletin boards throughout the church.

Thanks to all for your faithful discernment. Please join us in praying for a wholehearted response from our congregation and for the life and ministry of our church.



Interfaith Host Week is November 26 - December 3 Volunteers needed!

Our next week to host homeless families is November 26-December 3. It is important to check your calendar and sign up early! Please see the list below of volunteer opportunities available and contact Chris Mathews to sign up to share your gifts in this ministry of Interfaith Hospitality (in cooperation with Aldersgate United Methodist Church & First Christian Church). Sunday school classes or small groups may Adopt-a-Day and staff all positions for that day. Where applicable, please note which days volunteers are needed – Sunday, Monday, or Friday.

Reset Guest Rooms -Sunday, Dec. 3 @ 7am
Greeter/Server – 5:00 – 7:00 pm – M F
Fellowship host – 7:00 – 9:00 pm – S M F
Overnight host – 9:00pm – 7:30am – F
Chris Mathews 270-1328 or bmathews0@charter.net

Church Directory

Our new digital church directory is in the works. Do you have an updated photo you would like to include? Does your personal information need updating? Please email your picture and/or information to the church office at msscott@johnknoxpres.org. Deadline for these items is December 1. **Last call to have your picture taken by Cecil Kelley**. He will be taking pictures on Wednesday, November 29, from 2:00-4:00 PM. Please contact Maury Purcell to reserve your time slot (maurypucell@gmail.com or 616-9699).



Annual Greenville

Chamber Singers Christmas Concert

"Still, Still, Still"

Please join us Wednesday, November 29th at 6:30 in the sanctuary for this much appreciated annual gift from the Greenville Chamber Singers and wonderful guest musicians. Psalm 46:10 says "Be still and know that I am God." We invite you to come, be still and hear the beautiful words and music of this joyous season. "How Great Our Joy!"

THE GREENVILLE CHAMBER SINGERS
present

...still, still, still...

Christmas Concert

6:30pm - Wednesday - November 29th
John Knox Presbyterian Church
35 Shannon Drive, Greenville, SC 29615



Come one, come all!

We need YOU to be a part of our Hanging of the Greens Choir on Sunday, December 3! We will be helping to begin our joyous Advent season with traditional Christmas favorites in a combined choir directed by Elizabeth Guest Martin. You don't have to be in one of our current choirs to be a part of this special group! Please come to as many of the rehearsals as you can and you will be ready to go! We will have the following rehearsals to prepare:

Sunday, November 19 from 3:00-4:30

Sunday, December 3 from 9:45-10:30

Sunday, December 3:30-4:30

Please contact Elizabeth with any questions at 864-313-0193.



HANGING OF THE GREENS

Sunday, December 3
5:00 PM
Refreshments and fellowship to follow



Please make plans to join us for one of the most special services of the year - the annual Hanging of the Greens on December 3 at 5:00pm. This family friendly celebration incorporates members of all ages as we transform our sanctuary and officially kick off the Advent season. A time of fellowship and refreshments will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome - consider inviting a friend as well! A nursery will be provided.



Youth Ministry News

Sunday Night Youth Group

Junior Highs: Join us at 4:30 for a night of fellowship, dinner, games, and study as we continue our series on Grace through the lens of Matthew 11:28-30. We will finish the night with dinner and students can be picked up at 6!

Senior Highs: It's Christmas Play Season!! Join us at 5:30 for dinner and fellowship followed by preparation and practice for this year's Christmas Play. We will finish practice at 7pm!

Christmas Play

It's that time of year and our high school students have begun working on their annual Christmas Play! This year's Christmas Play will take place on Wednesday, December 6th! If your student would like to participate, make sure they are here THIS SUNDAY to receive their part and script. We will gather for practices on 11/19 and dress rehearsal after Hanging of the Greens on 12/3!





Children's Ministry News

Sunday School

We have reached our very last story in our *Jesus Storybook Bible*. Our story, "A Dream of Heaven", comes from the book of Revelation in which John tells of the future he has seen. As you read this final story with your family, take some time to remember all of the wonderful stories you have read together, and remind your children that they have taken a beautiful journey through the Bible. Thank you to all of our families who have shared these stories with their children. It has been a gift to us all! And as our last story reminds us, this story is not finished!

Children's Music Program

Our last "musical burst" for our November rehearsals will be this Sunday, November 19. We have had two good weeks of practicing our Christmas songs, and we would love to have your children join us! If you haven't made it to a practice yet, you are still welcome to join us this week! Rehearsals are held from 4:30-5:15 in the Children's Choir Room. The children will be practicing for the following holiday performances:



Hanging of the Greens – Sunday, December 3 at 5:00

Children's Christmas Program - Wednesday, December 6 at 6:15

Christmas Eve – Sunday, December 24 for the Family Christmas Eve Service at 5:00

We want as many of our children as possible to take part in all of these special performances. If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Martin or Susan Felton. Check your Children's Ministry Newsletter for more details!

Family Mission Night

One last reminder: All of our children and their families are invited to gather this Friday, November 17, to help with a couple of holiday mission projects. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 to enjoy a pizza dinner together, and then we will work on our projects. We will finish up around 7:30. Make sure you check your Children's Ministry Newsletter to sign up for the items that have been requested. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Felton at sfelton@johnknoxpres.org.

Mailbox

To the kindergarten/PDO staff and my JKFamily,
Heartfelt thanks to all for the many prayers, visits, cards, flowers, and meals provided to John and I after my recent shoulder replacement surgery. It means so much to be part of such a loving and caring church and I am forever grateful for being led to JK over 18 years ago. Progress is continuing in strength and movement of my arm and I hope to be back to a regular schedule of activities soon.
Blessings,
Laurie Davis



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November

16 - Bob Sadler, Pat Thatcher, Jeannie Lee

17 - Chad Fernander

18 - JoAnn George, Lucy Sewell, Ethan Whatley

19 - Patricia Gibson, Susan Felton
20 - Pamela Oates, Heidi Grant
22 - Dick Graham, Pam McDow, Tracy Gardner

By the Numbers

Attendance on Sunday, November 12
8:30 - 77
11:00 - 215

Weekly Offering Received: \$13,829.70
Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$16,336.85
YTD Offering Received: \$709,242.77
YTD Budgeted Offering: \$751,495.10



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

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