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This Sunday's Worship

Two Congregations

One Service



Sunday, May 6, 2018

10:30 AM

A Special Day for Worship and Fellowship

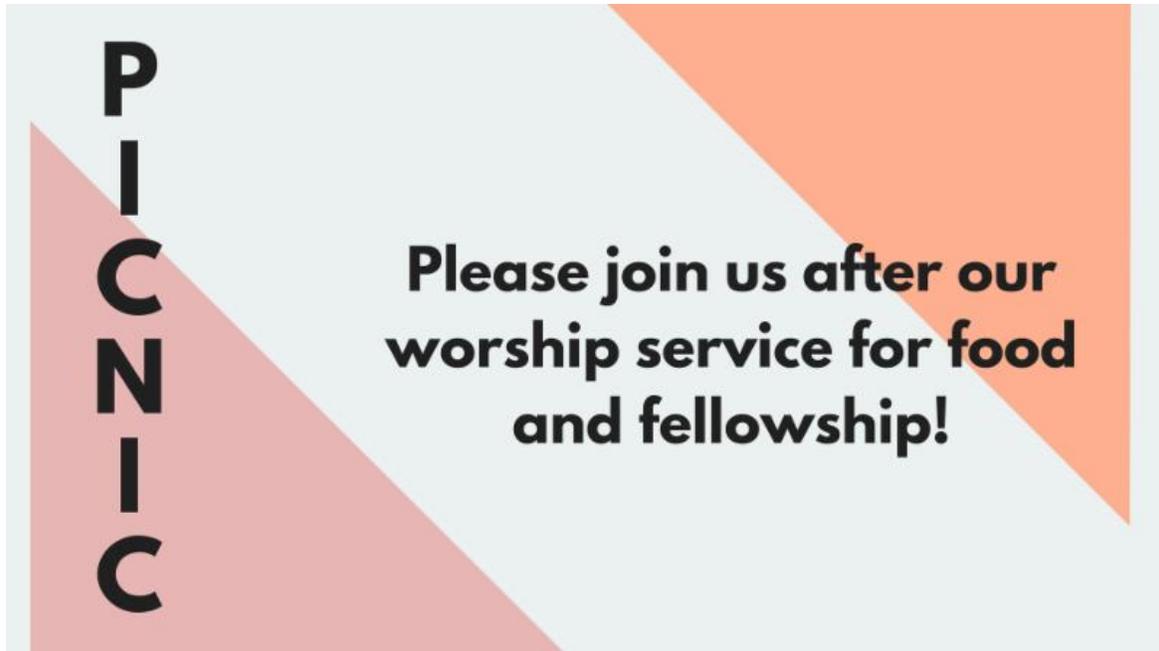
Join us for a very special day, as John Knox and the Greenville Chin Presbyterian Church join together in worship and fellowship.

9:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM One Worship Service in the Sanctuary
with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

After worship Church Picnic

Please dress casually and comfortably!



Young at Hearts (YAHs)

Join the Young at Hearts (age 55 and older) for a very special tour of the new Cancer Survivor's Park which connects Cleveland Park to Falls Park via the Swamp Rabbit Trail. Executive Director, Kay Roper will give a guided tour of the beautiful new recreational facility before it officially opens to the public in early June. This event is planned to honor all cancer survivors among our congregation and to remember those who lost their battle with the disease. A picnic lunch will follow at Cleveland Park Shelter # 5. Lunch will be provided by a legacy gift from Marilyn Jones who was a long-time member of John Knox and very involved in the Young at Hearts group.



Please meet at the church the morning of May 15 by 10:00 A.M., and we will car-pool from there. We **must** have reservations for this catered lunch by Sunday, May 13. RSVP to Bessie Lee at (864) 233-5518 or to LaRue Wait at (864) 675-6172.



Join Foothills Presbytery in packing over 30,000 meals
for children around the world through
Rise Against Hunger on Saturday, May 19, 2018 at Eastminster Presbyterian Church.

9:00 am Rise Against Hunger Packing Party
Worship, Lunch and Meeting will follow
(Casual Attire)

[Click here to register!](#)



Youth Ministry News

NO Sunday Night Youth Group this week!

Due to the exciting festivities at church on Sunday, we will not gather for regular youth group this week! Enjoy an afternoon of fellowship with our congregation at the church picnic and we will gather together again soon to celebrate the end of the school year!

Youth Lock-Ins!

Join us on Friday, May 18th for the end of the year youth lock-ins! All students are invited to meet in the Youth Center at 7 for a night of games, competition, and a whole lot of fun! Please plan to pick-up Jr. High students at 10 and Sr. High students on Saturday morning by 8:30.

YOUTH LOCK-IN

An AWESOME night of competition, games,
and of course a little chaos

▷ Friday, May 18th ◁

▷ John Knox Youth Center ◁

▷ ALL Students arrive at 7PM ◁

Jr. Highs picked up @ 10PM



Middle School Mission Week!

This year's mission experience for middle school students will take place in our own community! Join us July 30- August 2 as we partner with Rebuild Upstate, an organization committed to providing safe, healthy, sustainable home environments for disabled, low-income, and elderly neighbors in our area. It is sure to be an awesome week of service, hard-work, fellowship, and growth as we strive to be the hands and feet of Jesus for our neighbors in Greenville. Check your email for more information and sign-ups or email jm.eggs@johnknoxpres.org.



Children's Ministry News

Children's Music

The children are singing this Sunday, May 6! We have a combined worship service at 10:30 in the Sanctuary, with the Chin congregation joining us. The children will sing "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" at the beginning of the service, and then come sit with their families in the pews. We have been practicing our song during Sunday School, so all of our children K3 – 5th grade will know the song and are invited to join us. We will gather all of the children in the choir room at the end of the Sunday School hour to practice before we take them to the Sanctuary. Parents can go ahead to the Sanctuary and get a good seat! And don't forget we have a church-wide picnic following the service!

Sunday School

A reminder that Sunday School will be from 9:15 – 10:15 this Sunday, May 6, followed by a combined worship service in the Sanctuary at 10:30.

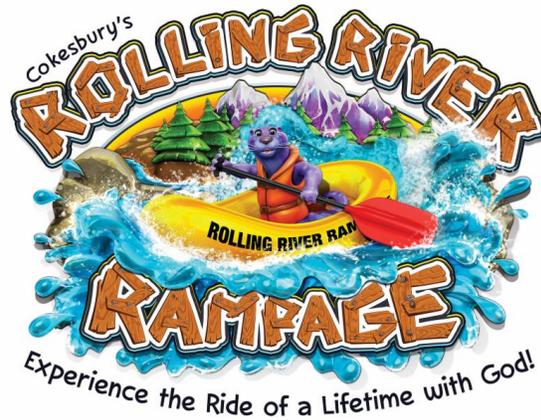
Our elementary children will be hearing the story of Mary and Martha during the month of May. Through art activities, a science experiment, and a few listening games, the children will learn that God has given us all different gifts, and we can use these gifts to glorify God. You may want to ask your children what *they* see their own gifts to be, and then name something special *you* see in each of your children. Our memory verse for the month is from Romans 12: 5 – "So in Christ we, who are many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." Thank you to our May Kids' Club teachers: Carol



Kendall, Jenna Livingston, and Chris Mathews. We are looking forward to a great month with the children!

Vacation Bible School – Rolling River Rampage!

Get ready to experience the ride of a lifetime with God during our *Rolling River Rampage* Vacation Bible School. The dates for our 2018 Vacation Bible School are Sunday, June 24 through Wednesday, June 27. Children ages K4 through 5th grade are welcome, and there is no registration fee! We will kick off our week on Sunday, June 24 with activities for the children from 3:30 – 6:00, followed by a family dinner at 6:00. Monday through Wednesday, VBS activities will take place between 5:00 – 7:30, with dinner served to the children during this time each night. We will need lots of volunteers, so think of how you would like to help and let us know! This is always a great week for our children! Registration forms are available now!! Look for VBS forms on bulletin boards near the Chapel, on the Sunday School hallways, and in the Narthex. We also have registration available online: [Click here](#) for a registration form to print out and turn in; [click here](#) for our online Google form registration. Choose any of these registration options, and get your children signed up now! Registration is due June 3!



“When you pass through the waters, I will be with you.”

Isaiah 43: 2



United Ministries Soup Drive

Please remember to bring cans of soup to church this Sunday to help keep the United Ministries food pantry stocked! There are bins in the outer Narthex and in the Chapel hallway. Give generously!

Clerk's Report

The Session of John Knox Presbyterian Church met on Sunday, April 15, 2018 at 6:00 PM, in the Kirk Room for their regular monthly meeting. The following are some of the items discussed:

Christian Education

- Examination of the 2018 Confirmation Class is scheduled for April 29, during the Sunday School

Hour. Statements of Faith and Confirmation, at both services, will be on May 13.

- The Security Committee will meet for the first time on April 17. They will initially be focused on defining a purpose and goals.
- Sandra Moore advised that registration forms are available for summer trips. They are due back by April 29.
- Graduation Sunday, May 20, will include a High School Senior Dinner.
- They are taking a break during the summer from Time for Children at both services.

Christian Mission and Outreach

- Rick Thatcher said that CM&O presently has only two elders on the committee. If others would like to join them, they are meeting on the 3rd Sunday at 4:45 PM. All are welcome.

Evangelism

- Stevie Greene reported the plan to welcome new member in worship on April 15 and to receive new members at a Called Session Meeting at 10:15 AM on April 29.
- The committee still looking for more volunteers for the Bread Ministry.

Fellowship

- Steve Meggs said that Wednesday Night Live will finish up for the spring with a program on Stephen Ministry and then the Ice Cream Social.
- Plans for the Church Picnic are going well: Advertising is up and running. The Chin Church will be joining us. The committee is not planning to offer child care since they want the whole family at the picnic.

Worship

- Gordon and Lane will discuss the rehearsal schedule on Sunday mornings when special music is scheduled.
- Cecil Kelley advised that the piano concert generated a number of compliments about our acoustics and other features of the Sanctuary.
- The committee discussed the logistics of funerals in the Chapel when there is a visitation in the Kirk Room—namely, the hardships on the elderly and folks with mobility issues.

Nurture

- Kitty Olson reported that the Care Companion program will be the focus of the May meeting.
- The first two parts of the Dementia series were well received. The third is scheduled for April 29.
- Wednesday night meal deliveries will continue until summer break.

Property & Operations

- Miller McClintock reported that the next Work Day was rescheduled to April 21, focusing mainly on sodding.
- The new chairs for the Kirk Room were delivered and look great.
- The Parlor renovations are nearly complete. Four full size matching sofas and new folding chairs are included.
- The committee has approved donating the old piano in the Onesimus Classroom to Greer Relief.

Ushers for May

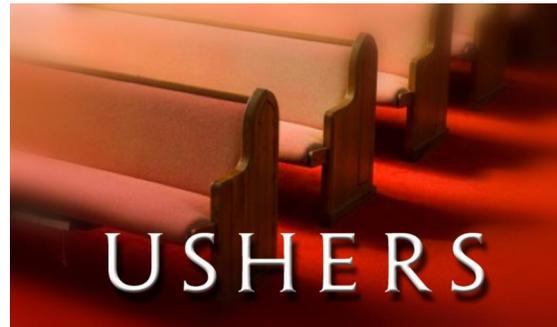
8:30

Miller McClintock

11:00

Head Usher: Guy Cloer

Leaders: Jason Mullis, Gary Campbell



Staff Anniversary



Betty Ward
7 years

Mailbox

Thank you and your guests for your participation in our recent series: Embracing Your New Normal. The feedback from the sessions affirms that the presentations provided helpful strategies to caregivers and information to those who wanted to learn about the progression of memory loss. We are comforted to know that we have and will have a partner at the local Alzheimer's Association when this disease affects our families. Thank you to David Howell's Sunday School class for setting up and to the Nurture Committee members who shared in the planning and launching the presentations. Ken Bell—you rock! Thank you for your technical support. Caroline Robertson—you continue to shine! Thank you for posting the video of each presentation on YouTube.



Kitty Olson

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May

- 3 - Dylan Russell, Jackson Campbell
 - 4 - Norman Brooks
 - 5 - Jennifer Campbell, Lori Beaumont, James Whatley, Elle Mehagan
 - 6 - Barbara Oak, Duffy Brown, Jackie Weaver
 - 7 - Caroline Syracuse
 - 8 - Emily Nelson, Addy Aldrich
 - 9 - Jerry Hamrick
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By the Numbers

Attendance on Sunday, April 29

8:30 - 71

11:00 - 219

Weekly Offering Received: \$12,530.40

Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$17,211.31

YTD Offering Received: \$307,340.83

YTD Budgeted Offering: \$292,592.27



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

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