



SteepleTalk

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This Sunday's Worship

Join us this Sunday, June 27 at 10:00 AM

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"Living Expectantly"

Psalm 72
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

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Volunteers Needed!

We are so excited to gather this summer for our 2021 Vacation Bible School as we study the story of the Good Samaritan and learn how God calls us to be a good neighbor. We need lots of volunteers to make this happen for our children, and we would love to have you!

Vacation Bible School will be held Monday, August 2 through Wednesday, August 3 from 4:00 to 6:15 each day. We have various leadership roles for our volunteers, from leading a small group of children around to their different activities to teaching one of our rotation classes (art, games, storytelling, and story activities), from helping set up before VBS starts to helping serve a meal on the last day. We will find the perfect job for you!

If you would like to spend three fun-filled days with our sweet John Knox children learning about loving God and loving our neighbors, please get in touch with Susan Felton. (sfelton@johnknoxpres.org or 244-0453) We hope you can join us!



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**Your ongoing generosity helps
John Knox to continue to serve.**

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- through automatic bank draft
- through the John Knox App

In this season of concern, the Church's witness of service and caring is more important than ever. John Knox is doing all we can to continue our ministry in ways that keep us connected to God and to each other. Please continue your offerings so that we can serve fully throughout this time of need.

Ways to give:

- Mail your contributions to the church at 35 Shannon Dr., Greenville, SC 29615
- Set up electronic payments through your financial institution
- Use the John Knox app: click on "Give"

Thank you for prioritizing the ministry of Jesus Christ in your financial life.

Please Let Us Know...

IF YOU ARE IN NEED, WE WANT TO HELP. PLEASE
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TO LET US KNOW
HOW WE CAN ASSIST YOU IN THIS SEASON.

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Clerk's Report

The Session of John Knox Presbyterian Church met on Sunday, May 16, 2021 at 6:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall for the Session's monthly Stated Meeting. The following are some of the items discussed:

· Anna Kenan presented an update from the Reopening Commission on their May 12th Meeting. After a brief Q&A, the consensus seemed to be that folks did not want to wait a full month before taking the next steps towards normalcy. After considerable discussion, the Session agreed to:

1. Adhere to current CDC guidance.
 2. Fully vaccinated folks need not wear masks (optional).
 3. Unvaccinated folks would be asked to please wear masks.
 4. Children older than twelve would be asked to wear masks.
 5. The Parlor, Kirk Room, Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary would return to their normal occupancy limits.
- The Session then agreed to dismiss the Covid Reopening Commission with thanks for their good service.

Administrative

- 1) The income statement was reviewed. April was down a little but we are still in great shape.
- 2) The new CNC was elected by the Congregation this morning.
- 3) The first meeting of the new Vision Team was held on May 11. The Vision Team will consist of Annalynn Barnett, Melanie Hendrix, Bill Mathews, Carter Schaaf, Marc Mehagan, Kitty Olson, and Ken Rowe.
- 4) PPP loan forgiveness was received on May 10.

Christian Education

- 1) Liam Robertson has joined the committee.
- 2) VBS planning is in progress. It is scheduled for August 2-4.
- 3) Family Night on the Lawn was on May 14.

Christian Mission and Outreach

- 1) Lake Forest Elementary has expressed their thanks for the Staff Appreciation goodie bags.
- 2) Thanks were given to Betsy Turnbull and Lori Beaumont for organizing the Food Drive in April.
- 3) Bill Mathews is coordinating with Habitat regarding a restart.
- 4) Post-Pandemic restart of Interfaith is under discussion.
- 5) Bag lunches are scheduled for Triune on May 22.

Evangelism

- 1) The Adopt a Highway work was on May 15. Twelve folks participated.
- 2) They have decided to step back from the billboard project until the website updates are complete.
- 3) They are developing new Visitor Cards for the pews.

Music & Worship

- 1) The Organist search committee is working diligently. They have two candidates in process.
- 2) Rachel Shepherd and Evan DiMartino will be married in the Sanctuary on June 12 with Rev. Howell officiating.
- 3) Frances Blue and Ron Jacobs will both have their funeral services over the next three weeks.
- 4) The Audio/Visual team is recruiting for new members.

Nurture

- 1) The next Serving Saturday will be on May 22. They are meeting in the back parking lot at 8 AM to head out to their assigned work places.
- 2) Heidi said they are still looking for more volunteers.

Property & Operations

- 1) The drainage work about 75% complete. There is still work to be done on the retention ponds.
- 2) The PDO renovation will begin on June 1.
- 3) The Session approved the upgrade to the Office Building entrance doors from the back parking lot and into the Basement.
- 4) P&O and Caleb are working with one of our Boy Scouts to try and find an eagle-scout project for him.

Susan Felton – Children’s Ministries:

- 1) Erin Johnson, Patricia Gailey, and Laura Reichen will be heading up VBS this year.
- 2) VBS sign-ups end June 6.
- 3) Family Fun Night on the lawn had several families in attendance.
- 4) The 5th Grade Step-up celebration will include a mini-retreat in the Fellowship Hall on May 21.
- 5) The Nursery is moving to the kindergarten hallway for the summer due to the renovations.

Jessica Meggs – Youth Ministries:

- 1) The final joint youth meeting was today on the lawn.
- 2) Jessica expressed her thanks to the Youth Leaders and Confirmation Mentors.
- 3) Graduation Sunday is May 23.
- 4) The Middle School Retreat is next month at Camp Fellowship.
- 5) The High School Retreat is next month at Montreat.
- 6) They will be doing Waffle Sunday this summer.

Rev. David Howell:

- 1) David expressed his thanks for everyone involved with Serving Saturdays.
- 2) Also, thank you for all the Adopt a Highway efforts.
- 3) Have patience with the pace of the Sunday School Class re-openings.

Dr. Gordon Turnbull:

- 1) He is glad to see the Vision Team getting started with their work.
- 2) The book, ‘Sailboat Church’, will be read together by the Session over the next few months.
- 3) July we will have a non-business meeting to discuss the present and future of the Church.

Dick Powers
Clerk of Session

Mailbox



I would like to thank everyone for your prayers over the past five years when my sister, Sylvia, developed MS. During the past three years she has been in and out of the hospital. Finally the Lord took her home and I pray she has found peace. God bless you all.

Kathy Hopkins

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

June

24 - Tina Davis

25 - Kim Kinnard, Amy Osborne, Brooke Vickery, Colten Ward, Ellie Thomasson

- 26 - Adair Powell
 - 27 - Patrick Kress, Ellie Sims
 - 28 - Allison Anderson
 - 29 - Grant Reichen
 - 30 - Billy Weekes, Ella Pierce
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By the Numbers

Sunday, June 20
In Person: 104
Livestream: 46

Weekly Offering Received: \$6,435.00
Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$15,684.54
YTD Offering Received: \$455,615.11
YTD Budgeted Offering: \$392,113.46



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