

Welcome!

Our church family is a welcoming group, working together to help our neighbours and to feel the presence of God.

It is easy to be involved and to meet other members by joining one of the many groups or activities we offer. This pamphlet gives a brief overview of our many activities.

Look for updates on activities through Sunday morning announcements, *Knox News* (weekly), *Reflections* (quarterly), our website (www.KnoxSackville.ca) and the church sign.

Get to know us over a coffee or tea before our 8:45 a.m. service or after our 10:30 a.m. service in the Narthex, our gathering hall.

We invite you to be part of our family!

“For where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them.”

Matthew 18:20
Good News Bible



Worship Services

There are two services of worship each Sunday morning from September through June.

Feel the Spirit

Sunday 8:45 a.m.

This service is more informal with many components of the service led by various lay-members of the congregation. Music is often, but not always, contemporary, using guitar and piano as the main source of accompaniment.

Traditional Worship

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

The more formal of the two worship services has the pipe organ providing the majority of accompaniment and a choir leading the ministry of music. Church School classes are offered during this service.

Summer Worship

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

The style alternates between the *Feel the Spirit* and *traditional* styles. There is a program for young children during the traditional services and crafts/activities during the alternative services

Seasonal Worship

Special services take place during Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter.

Audio tapes are available for some of our Worship Services for those unable to attend.

Baptism

Baptisms are held throughout the year, typically on the third Sunday of the month. Please contact the church office to arrange for a baptism.

Holy Communion

All who seek the presence of Christ are welcome to share at the table. Holy Communion is celebrated a number of times throughout the year.

Children's Ministry

Nursery provides a quiet, safe, supervised place for children (infants to 3 years) during the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

Church School takes place during the 10:30 a.m. service for children ages 3-11. The *Godly Play* curriculum, an imaginative method for presenting scripture and stories to children, is used. Children attend church with their families on Intergenerational worship Sundays.

Puppet Ministry involves children in Grades 4-6. They practice at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays and periodically present a song or skit during Intergenerational worship.

Youth Bible Time (YTB) is bible study for children in Grades 6-9 during the 10:30 a.m. worship time.

Youth Group meets on Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m. for Grades 6 and up.

Ministry of Music

Adult Choir leads the music at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Practices are held Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Knox Kids for Christ is a children's choir for Grade 2 and up. Practices are held Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Programs and Activities

Adult Education programs are offered throughout the year on various topics. They foster discussion and growth in our lives.

Bible Studies are a great way to meet people and learn more about the Word. They meet Monday evenings.

Christian Men in Fellowship invites men to meet periodically for fellowship. Feel free to attend individual events, such as breakfasts or tours, with no commitment.

Confirmation for Youth and Adults takes place in the spring. A Youth weekend faith-formation event is held in either February or March. Adult confirmation classes are arranged individually. Contact the church office for details.

Healing Pathway is a noninvasive procedure, which helps restore balance of body, mind and spirit. Sessions are pre-scheduled for Wednesday or Thursday evenings. Call the office to book an appointment.

Outreach Ministries supported by Knox: Mission and Service Fund, Adsum House, Beacon House, Brunswick St. Mission, Christian Blind Mission, Elizabeth Fry Society, Hope Cottage, Street Connections, and many more.

Pastoral Care team members provide a variety of pastoral care services including offering drives to church, and visiting people in hospitals and nursing homes.

Prayer Groups pray for whatever concerns are brought to them. They meet Monday and Thursday evenings.

Turkey Soup Takeout Luncheons are a fund raising event held the first Tuesday of each month from October to May. The lunch includes a hot bowl of turkey soup, buttered roll and a large slice of homemade carrot cake. Deliveries are made to local schools and business.

United Church Women (UCW) unites all women of the congregation so that they may experience fellowship, render service and grow in Christian faith. They meet in the Parlour on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Lower Sackville Nursery School is a licensed nursery school operating out of Knox. For the past 30 years, it has provided programs for 3 and 4 year olds.

...in addition to the following

Funeral Visitation

Marriage Course

Sacred Circle Dance

Time out for Ladies Craft Group

Turkey Dinner

Yard Sales

Other FUNdraising Events

For more information on a particular group or activity please refer to:

individual pamphlets,

www.KnoxSackville.ca

or contact the church office

How are we Organized?

Our minister provides leadership in life, work and worship. If you would like to chat with the minister contact the church office during office hours

Church Council is the model of governance used at Knox. It is made up of representatives from each of a number of committees and groups: *Spiritual Oversight, Communication, Fellowship, Finance, Ministry & Personnel, Outreach, Property, Presbytery, UCW and Youth.*

Spiritual Oversight Committee is composed of Elders, and its members are elected by the congregation. The job of an Elder is to help meet the spiritual needs of the members of the congregation. The church families are divided into geographical districts. Each Elder cares for and acts as liaison between the Minister and the people of his/her district. The Elders also serve on a variety of teams: *Baptism, Christian Life, Communion, Districts, Duty, Funeral Wake, Healing Pathway, Memorial, New Families, Pastoral Care, and Worship.*

Trustees are elected by the congregation and are authorized to carry out legal transactions on behalf of the congregation.

Church Staff

Minister:

Rev. Dr. Ross Bartlett

Music Director/Organist:

Don MacRae

Office Administrator:

Tracey Miller

Caretaker:

St. Clair Harnish

Contact Information

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Web site

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www.wondercafe.ca

You are welcome to drop by the church office. Our office hours are Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. throughout the school year. Office hours are reduced in the summer – call ahead to confirm that the office is open.

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Knox United Church Welcomes You



Our Mission is to show the love of God
by being like Jesus;
showing mercy, promoting justice,
offering hope, forgiving,
accepting and loving all others.

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