

Why is the Bible Important?

The Bible is central to the United Church of Canada. It is the holy writings of the Christian tradition, with stories of our ancestors in the faith, a guide for our living, a source of prayers, songs and poems. All this, yet so much more.

In the heart of every person is a desire to be safe and secure.

As a source of wisdom, personal prayer, and devotion, we believe the Bible can bring us closer to God.

The Bible is the Word of guidance in our faith. By following it we grow as individuals. It is one of the best ways of experiencing God's continuing work of creation and liberation in the world, while offering us forgiveness, healing, and new life in Jesus.

"Because I live, you will also live."

*John 14:19
Contemporary English Version*

Bible Study

The more we grow toward God, the more we are sensible of the distance between us.

Knox United Church offers opportunities for people to study the Bible, privately and in groups.

The Bible is not easy to understand, so the church encourages us to explore the ideas of biblical scholars and others who have studied the Bible in depth.

Anyone interested in private study of the Bible is welcomed to speak to either of the ministers to learn where to go for guidance and interpretation.



Bible Study Groups are also available at Knox for those interested in an exchange of ideas with others and the fellowship that comes with such a gathering.

What happens at a Bible Study?

- **discuss faith topics affiliated with the Bible**
- **study and discuss various Books of the Bible**
- **hear or share our faith experiences, where we are in our faith journey**
- **discuss topics / ideas having to do with the understanding and knowledge necessary for growth in our faith**
- **make a request**
- **share our faith questions**
- **learning, growing, bonding, and fellowship**

**Jesus said
*"Peace be unto you."***

"Why are you looking among the dead for one who is alive. He is not here; he has been raised".

*Luke 24:5-6
Good News Bible*

BIBLE STUDY times:

Mondays – 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

There is a regular Bible Study that meets each Monday evening from September to May at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom. This Bible Study group was first established over 30 years ago and has been a source of biblical inspiration to many here at Knox over the years. Many thanks to John Thornton for his leadership role for many years.

Donna Ashton-Ward co-ordinates the studies that are lead by various facilitators. The topics are constantly changing depending upon the wishes of the group. Keep an eye out for announcements of upcoming session topics.

Contact person:

Al Darrach

Additional Bible Studies, topics and discussions may be held with a particular focus (eg: Bible Basics, GEN-REV a quick trip through the Bible, Advent or Lenten, etc.). Dates and times and topics will be announced through print and verbal announcements or you can call the Church office for details.

MAKE A DRASTIC CHANGE!

**Do you long for security?
Do you have deep inner yearnings
that you cannot satisfy?
Have you ever wondered how God
looks at your life?
Looking for real and lasting peace?
Do you feel the weight of pain or
sadness in your heart?
Have you wondered what the
Christian responsibility is?**

**Do not delay.
Come to Jesus today.**

All are welcome to any of the Bible
Studies and groups.

Please come along and bring a friend!



*“Thirsty desserts will be glad;
barren lands will celebrate and
blossom with flowers.”*

Isaiah 35:1

Contemporary English Version

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Bible Studies



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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