

# KNOX UNITED CHURCH

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

### FEBRUARY 12, 2017

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Today – Aboriginal Issues Working Group meeting, after church service**
- **Thursday, February 16** – Free healing sessions for drop-ins at Knox (12 – 2PM)
- **Saturday, February 25** – Coldest Night of the Year March
- **Saturday, February 25** – Knox Healing Ministry Workshop

#### Steps into belonging

Would you like to get more involved here at Knox?  
Would you like to explore your faith journey a bit, with a group of supportive people around you?

For four more Monday evenings we will gather as a group to share faith stories, have a look at beliefs, Bible, mission, spiritual practice, and church membership. We'll gather around some refreshments, and there will be plenty of time for questions and discussion. This group can function as a "membership class" but there will be no pressure that way! Leaders are Dave Holmes, Greg Glatz and Janice Aicken.

*This is particularly designed for those new to Knox, but others are also welcome!* Sign up by calling the church office or contacting Dave Holmes.

#### COMMUNITY LIFE & JUSTICE COMMISSION

##### Food Bank Donation

For Sunday, February 19, the donation is pasta/macaroni & cheese.

For Sunday, February 26, the donation is cereal & crackers.

These items are only suggestions. Donations of non-perishable items **including pet food** are always welcome.

#### Knox Healing Ministry Saturday Feb 25

Knox Healing Ministry will present a workshop on the theme *Science and Healing* from 9 am to 4 pm, including:

- A presentation on the physics of energy healing by Elke Nowicki, a Healing Touch certified instructor, and high school science teacher
- Lunch

To register, contact the Knox office. The cost for the day, including lunch, is \$25. There are very few spots left, so don't delay in registering!

#### Meeting and Healing Sessions

February 16: 12 – 2 PM. Knox Healing Ministry will be offering free healing sessions from 12 noon to 2 pm. You can plan ahead to receive a treatment: either speak to one of our members, call the Knox Office at 403-269-8382 or email [kuoffice@knoxunited.ab.ca](mailto:kuoffice@knoxunited.ab.ca). Or, just drop in.

#### OBSERVER RENEWAL

It is time to renew your Observer subscription. The Observer has won more than 150 awards for journalistic excellence in Canadian and U.S. church press competitions in the past five years – more than any other denominational magazine in North America. You can be a winner too – subscribe now! The cost for 2017 is \$25. Please see Sue in the Office.

#### Coldest Night of the Year

It's cold out there. Walk on Saturday, February 25, 2017 in the Coldest Night of the Year, a super-fun, family-

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friendly fundraiser that raises money for the hungry, homeless, and hurting across Canada. We would like to see if there is appetite to form a Knox team to walk. Please sign up with Sue in the office if you are interested in forming a Knox team. For further information about the walk itself, check the website: <https://canada.cnoy.org/location/Calgary>

## **Message from Calgary Food Bank regarding the Sunday collection**

“On behalf of the clients, volunteers and staff of the Calgary Inter-Faith Food Bank Society, please accept our sincere thanks and appreciation for your organization of the Knox United Church Collection. To date, this activity has brought in 360 pounds of food. Thank you so much for your continued support – we truly value our relationship with Knox United Church and all of its supporters”.

## **Aboriginal Issues Working Group**

The Aboriginal Issues working group will meet **today** after church, to discuss how to share the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples with the congregation.

## **AFFIRM Working Group**

The Affirm working group is developing plans for how we at Knox will celebrate the tenth anniversary of becoming an Affirming church. Plans are underway for a big party the first week of May. Speak to Bob Benner for further information.

## **Knox Theatre Collective and Urban Stories Theatre Just Acts Play Festival 23017 – Examining Mental Illnesses February 14 – 19, 2017**

Please note that Knox will be hosting a series of plays examining mental illnesses in the Theatre @ 7:30 pm from February 14 – 18. Matinee on February 19 @ 1:30 PM. Tickets at the door: adults - \$20; students - \$15 except for February 14 when tickets cost \$10.00 Tickets can also be reserved on line:  
URBANSTORIESYYC@GMAIL.COM

## **Project Ploughshares**

Movie Night: Wednesday, February 8

*How to Start a Revolution*

At Parkdale United Church, 2919 – 8 Ave NW, Conference Room in the basement, from 7-9 PM.

Discussion facilitated by Professor, Dr. Mark Ayyash (check out the reviews on this movie)

## **Donation Envelopes**

If you would like a set of Knox donation envelope with our personal envelope number, please contact Sue in the office.

## **Metro Alliance for the Common Good Training**

Many are looking at the society of which we are a part and asking: “what is going on here? And **what can we do about it?**”

Social and societal change – not to mention change in the church – is a complex process often requiring significant work. Protest marches may raise an issue, but in themselves they do not effect change. Wishing for more “young people” in church does not make a church grow. What does? What is the real work, the effective work, that results in change and organizational health?

MACG (the Metro Alliance for the Common Good) is a Calgary organization affiliated with the Industrial Areas Foundation, which has been doing community organizing for over 70 years. Come and learn the arts and tactics of effective change, and organizational health (including the relational structure that is part of the Next 1100 Days).

Wednesday March 09, 9am – 5pm

Temple B’nai Tikvah 900 47Ave SW

Register: [ryan@calgarycommongood.org](mailto:ryan@calgarycommongood.org)

We are members of MACG, therefore the cost is nothing more than a donation for lunch.

## **Car Needed**

If anyone knows of a small car for sale under \$5,000 please contact Sue in the office.