

Calendar

26 July - Summer Multicultural Festival at the Discovery Centre 10 AM

1 August - FFF Brandon Climate Strike 11 AM - 1 PM at Knox

3 August - Baptism Sunday with Rev. Craig

7-11 August - General Council 45 in Calgary

8 August - 10 AM Apology to 2SLGBTQIA+ Communities (see below to register for Zoom)

23/24 August - 100 Men with 100 Drums Summer Gathering

NEW: Mission & Service

Healing with Compassion: Sue's Story at Wesley

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NEW: Samaritan House Food Bank

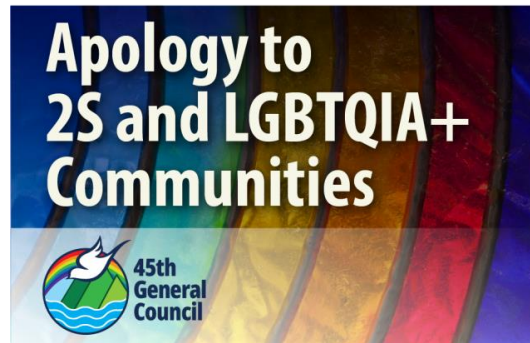
Thanks to the generosity of our Knox people, we were able to drop off our 9th bin of food this year. Marcia Hamm Wiebe, food bin coordinator, appreciates our support. Items they need are rice and protein, such as chickpeas, beans, tuna, etc. One item we dropped off today was a 10-pound bag of rice, which the staff will divide into small bags for their clients.

NEW: Call for Daily Prayer for Wildfire Impacts Continues

Keewatin Circle, the Indigenous United Church in Manitoba, invites you to pray with them for all communities in Canada regarding the forest fire emergencies. Praying will take place for 1 hour each evening beginning at 7:00 pm CDT (Manitoba/ NWO), 6:00 pm Mountain and CST, 5:00 pm Pacific. We are asked to pray in our own spaces, personal and congregational.

We are praying for the following: rain, the safety of all communities, evacuees, and those responding to their needs. We also pray for the safety of those fighting fires in communities, as well as for the animals, both domestic and wild.

We invite all communities to join us in prayer, as unity in prayer is stronger when we come together in times of need.



Reminder: August 8 General Council to Present Apology

As the second day of the 45th General Council opens on Friday, August 8, The United Church of Canada will offer an apology to 2S and LGBTQIA+ communities in a special livestreamed and in-person worship service.

The service will be held at Knox United Church, 506 4 St. SW, Calgary, Alberta at 9 am MT, on Friday, August 8. The service is open to anyone who would like to attend in person; it will also be available on Zoom, with live interpretation in English and French. [Register here](#)

NEW: Background On Apology to the 2SLGBTQIA+ Community

[Reckoning with the damage – and preparing for an apology By Emma Prestwich in Broadview Online](#)

Ahead of The United Church of Canada's planned apology to the 2SLGBTQ+ community for past harms at next month's General Council 45, Broadview has chosen to look back at the Community of Concern – a group that actively opposed the ordination of queer people in the denomination in the 1980s and continued its campaign into the '90s and early 2000s.

Today, the national church may be openly Affirming – as are many congregations – but decisions about performing same-gender marriages are still up to individual churches, and planned Pride celebrations can be received very differently depending on the community of faith.

"Maybe we're not as far along as we think we are," Aaron Miechkota, the co-ordinator for Iridesce: The Living Apology Project, told Broadview in 2018. The United Church initiative invited people to share their stories from before, during and after the 1988 General Council vote that declared that sexual orientation should not be a barrier to ordered ministry.

Canadian churchgoers also aren't safe from reactionary social movements that are gaining steam in this country and so many others – campaigns motivated by fears that

our culture is changing too quickly and that equity campaigners are encouraging dangerous, transgressive ideas.

You can read writer Bailey Bjin's article about the Community of Concern here.

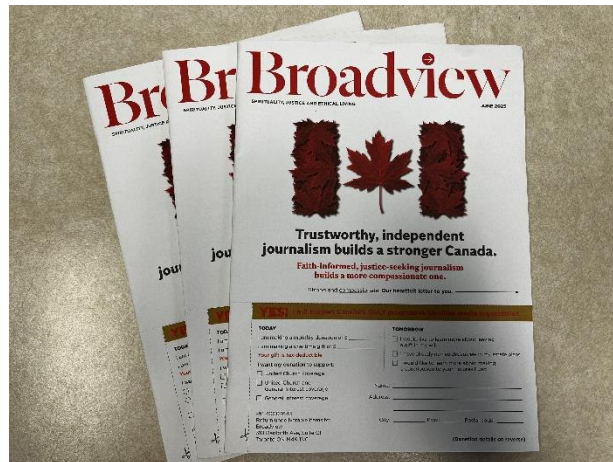
And tell me, only if you're comfortable: What does the church's decision to apologize to 2SLGBTQ+ people mean to you? I would love to read any stories you'd like to share. You can email me at e.prestwich@broadview.org.

Reminder: Knox Gardening Summer Schedule

Thank you to all our helpful gardeners for continuing to water, weed and deadhead!

The flower beds are looking beautiful!

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| June 1-7 Cobbs/Waddells | July 13-19 Pat Beech | Aug 24-30 Betty Kelly |
| June 8-14 Deb & Brent Gray | July 20-26 Jill Hannah Kayes | Aug 31-Sept 6 Debby Dandy |
| June 15-21 Cobbs | July 27-Aug 2 Cobbs | Sept 7-13 Deb Carnegie |
| June 22-28 David Paul | Aug 3-9 Betty Kelly | Sept 14-20 David Paul |
| June 29-July 5 Manns | Aug 10-16 Pat Beech | Sept 21-27 |
| July 6-12 Waddells | Aug 17-23 Deb Carnegie | |



Reminder: Special Issue Available!

The June 100th Anniversary Special Issue of Broadview is available for purchase in the Knox church office. \$4.00 each.

Reminder: The Green Spot & Sobeys Gift Cards

Cards are available for purchase at the Knox Church Office. A percentage of cards sold will go towards our many outreach projects within the community!

\$50 & \$100 options.

Sunday Morning Worship on YouTube

Sunday morning worship can be found each Sunday at 10:30 am on our YouTube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/c/TheKnoxKonnexion>

You can also search for, “The Knox Konnexion” on YouTube to find our channel

Reminder: Summer Office Hours

July & August - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 9 AM to 1 PM
