## Open to All - Celebrating Diversity - United in Love

# KINOX UNHUJD

SPRING HIGHLIGHTS 2018

# TIME & TALENT AUCTION

### Saturday, March 24

Potluck Supper 6:00, followed by Auction

Entertainment by the Ukulele Group and Knox Choir

# **SPRING CONCERT**

Sunday April 22, 2018, 7:30pm. The Knox Singers present songs of the Four Elements - Earth, Water, Wind, and Fire. Our repertoire will include multiple genres - gospel, rock, spirituals, ballads, contemporary, and will feature several Canadian compositions. We will also be incorporating our popular sing-a-long of well known folk songs. As this is the choir's fund raiser, we will be asking for a free will offering in lieu of admission.

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# **SKC Easter Morning**

# Love Comes to Life!

We'll celebrate this special day with our ever popular Spirit Kids' Club Easter Stations event. There will be face painting, drama, craft stations, and snack.

Bring the whole family and come celebrate Easter Sunday with us. Sunday morning during worship.



Spring Choir Concert -The Four Elements, April 22 at 7:30 pm



Sharing Circles on March 21 & April 30 at 6:30 pm



Green Team Electric Vehicle Information Session, June 2, 1 pm Air Museum

# Lent is... Letting Go To Open Hands, Open Hearts

Presbytery Report - I attended two meetings since the last newsletter: one at Trinity, and one at Central. The main item of discussion has been what life in the United Church will be like after Presbytery is finished as of December 31, 2018. At the Central meeting, I attended a blanket exercise which helped us understand how colonization of the land we now know as Canada has impacted the people who were here long before settlers arrived. I attended a Pastoral Relations Committee meeting. There I found out in our Presbytery, we have 13 congregations with ministers, and II without. Our next meeting will be held in Shoal Lake on April 21, with more discussion on what life will look like after Presbytery. - Art Godfrey

BELOW: TAKING OUR KNOX TEAM EARNS BRONZE MEDAL AT CN WALK

# More Coming Events...

March 16 - Friday Night Live Youth Event

March 22 - Affirm Brown Bag Lunch at Noon – Alzheimer's Society

March 27 - InBetweeners,

7:00 pm

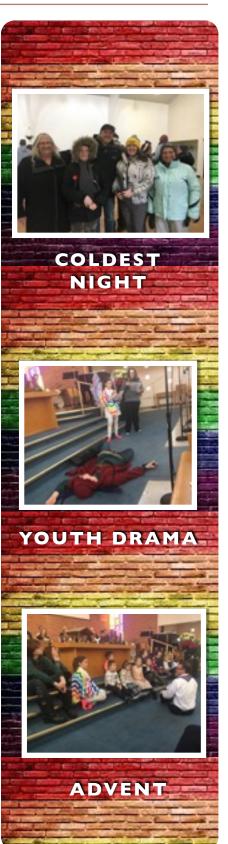
March 30 - Good Friday at Knox with Trinity, Central – 7:00 pm. – A Holy Week Pilgrimage

May 6 - Annual Meeting

# Iridesce at Knox - May II - 13

"Iridesce: The Living Apology Project", is a national storygathering initiative looking back at the historic 1988 voted to not exclude gay and lesbian people from membership and ministry in the UCCan. Now, 30 years later, the Iridesce Project is remembering the 1988 vote and asking—Where has this taken us? Where is it going? How welcoming has our welcome been?





# Spring Events

# Family Fun Time at

Kemnay - On Sunday, March 18. the CE Committee and InBetweeners will be hosting a Family Fun afternoon at the Kemnay Recreation Centre. Kemnay is west on 1A and the recreation centre is on your right just as you enter. We will gather at 4:00p.m. and supper will be served at 5:30p.m. There is a skating rink inside the centre, so bring out those skates and give it a try. We hope to have extra skates for those who might not have some. For nonskaters, activities are planned for inside the hall. A delicious supper of chili and buns. hotdogs and dessert will be served at 5:30p.m. for \$2.00 per person. Preschoolers are free. ALL ARE INVITED, come for the afternoon or just come out for supper, it will be a great time.

The Brunch Bunch invite everyone to come out for brunch on Sunday, April 8 after church. It will be our 20th Anniversary - Yes, 20 years of cooking and serving you brunch at Knox!! Let's acknowledge this together and reminisce about these past 20 years. Our first brunch was April 1998 - WERE YOU THERE????????



**Coffee Co-ordinator** Required - We are in need of a volunteer Coffee Coordinator. This individual would monitor the signup sheet to ensure that someone has volunteered for each Sunday. It could mean approaching people and asking them to volunteer, should there be vacancies on the list. Anyone interested in filling this position, please contact the church office. Thank you to those who sign up to prepare the coffee and tea; it's a good time for fellowship.

# Spring Rummage Sale –

Knox Spring Rummage Sale will be held on Saturday, May 5. Hold on to your treasures, and watch for further details.

# Knox Spring Luncheon -

will be held on Wednesday, May 16 in the church auditorium. Lunch is served between 11:30a.m. and 1:00p.m. We will have three varieties of salads, four varieties of sandwiches, cheese and pickles and of course a wide variety of desserts to choose from. Beverages are also included. Cost is \$9.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children under 12, and preschoolers are free. Please invite family and friends to join you, reservations will be taken at the church office. 2047276975. GLUTEN FREE OPTIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE!!!

# **Outreach News** -

In February the committee approved donations to the Brandon 7th Street Access Centre for \$1,000 for their Benevolent Fund and \$400 to the Hispanic Association of Manitoba for EAL classes. Your purchase of Sobeys Gift Cards through Knox make these special donations possible. THANK YOU!

# **Top Ten Benefits of Spiritual Practice**

### KNOX GREEN TEAM

Our Green Team along with the Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association would like to invite you to an: **Electric Vehicle Information Session**, on June 2, 2018, 1:00 PM, Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum Canteen, at the Brandon Municipal Airport.

This informational event is hosted by Knox United Church Green Team and Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association. This Symposium will provide the public an opportunity to gather more information about electric vehicles as an emerging alternate transportation option in Manitoba. Plans include presentations on Electric Vehicles and related topics such as charging stations. As well, we are inviting both commercial and entrepreneurial/craftsman built electric vehicles and hybrids to be on display.

Our Green Team is committed to caring for the environment and working towards a more sustainable future for everyone's children and grandchildren. We recognize this issue is larger than any one group and requires collective responsibility and action. This symposium is one tangible effort to live into this commitment to a greener, more sustainable future.

Electric vehicles are an important step towards a more sustainable environment for future generations. There are lots of questions and people are interested in learning more. Please join us on June 2nd and learn.

Here is the Facebook link https:// www.facebook.com/events/ 586629571676748/.

We invite you to share this with others that might be interested. The Knox Green Team is taking care of the local arrangements so there will be no charge to attend.

For more information please contact (204) 730-0559 or wclayton@mansea.org

Please let us know if you would like to bring an electric vehicle or hybrid to display.

Submitted by "Wayne Clayton", Knox Green Team – Chair, Manitoba Sustainable Energy Association – Chair



# FROM THE EDITOR

Thank You to those who submitted items for this edition of the Knox Newsletter. Thank you our Spirit Kids' Club Youth Director, Antoinette GravelOuelette; to our Teachers, Judy Olmstead and Jill Hannah Kayes; and also to the parent/ teen volunteers; and especially thank you to all the children and youth of Knox who make us smile each Sunday. A Happy Easter to all. - Lynn Cupples

### **AFFIRM UNITED**

We welcome all into the life and ministry of the Knox family: persons of any age, colour, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, marital status, social or economic circumstance. There is a place for you here!

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