

God's Inspiration in Nature – A new feature has been added to the website. It is a chance for members and adherents to send a picture they have taken of nature to show God's Inspiration. Some photos will be featured weekly on the website and some used in the Power Point on Sundays.

**Please send the image to this email
knoxstratford142@gmail.com**



**NEW "Random Acts of Kindness"
SMALL GROUP** to begin in June.
Sign up on the clipboard in the Narthex.



If you have an interest in **Classic cars or Race cars**, contact John Waldie to join this Small Group. They hope to do some local tours that feature these speciality cars.

"Kirk in the Cedars" is a monthly worship service at Camp Kintail at 4pm
Followed by dinner.

Summer dates:

June 16 - July 28th - August 25th



"WE LOVE KNOX" Cups: Fill the cup with loonies or toonies, dimes, nickels or quarters or folding money. This will go to the Operating Fund – every bit helps.
THANK YOU!

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Sunday, June 2, 2024
2nd Sunday after Pentecost
General Assembly Sunday
EPIC - Every Person in Church
Sunday at Knox

Interim Minister: The Reverend Dr. David Thompson
Music Director: Suzanne Strahan
Treasurer: Shannon Archer

PRELUDE

WELCOME to KNOX: a place where friendships begin and grow!
ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Raise a song of joy and gladness before God.
Congregation: We will make music and sing God's praises.
Leader: Sing aloud to God, our strength!
Congregation: We will rejoice, appreciating the God who made us.
Leader: Worship God who makes all things new!
Congregation: We will celebrate God's goodness in prayer and praise.

PRAYERS OF APPROACH (Together): God of all life and each life, You created us in love to enjoy Your presence in creation. You made us in Your image so that we would find purpose and possibility in our lives. You gave us a rest day to breathe in Your grace and peace week by week. Jesus showed us how to share grace and peace with one another. Please refresh us in this time of worship, so that we may leave with a deep sense of well-being at our core, we offer ourselves to You through Christ, our Saviour. Amen

HYMN: #467 Praise, my soul, the God who crowns you
Verses 1 and 4

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together): God of all life and each life, You created us to enjoy Your presence, yet we confess it is easy to lose track of that joy. When times are tough, we feel resentful. When someone else succeeds, jealousy can creep in. Some days bad news is all we hear. Please encourage us to draw us back to your goodness and grace.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Minister): Jesus said, “Come to me all you who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.” Friends, trust that peace and forgiveness are God’s gift to you this day. Be renewed by the power of the Spirit that moves with you into each new day.

PASSING OF THE PEACE:

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you

Congregation: **And also, with you.** Please greet one another.

CHOIR ANTHEM

STORY

*Children will go to Sunday School during the hymn.

HYMN: #442 Speak, Lord, in the stillness Verses 1 and 4

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

2nd Samuel 23:13-17

SERMON: “Be a great team player”

OFFERING - DOXOLOGY #306 Offering is brought forward.

The offering can be placed on the offering plates at the back of the church before or during the service, or at the front after the service.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Together): God of grace and goodness, we offer our gifts in gratitude for all we receive from you, in Christ and in creation. Bless the ministries of our congregation and of the Presbyterian Church in Canada in these challenging times. Surprise us by what you accomplish through us as we sow seeds of generosity in the gifts we bring. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION (Together):

God of communion and community, we give You thanks for our life together in Christ, and for the work of the Spirit that draws us closer to You and to each other.

We pray for the life of our denomination as it meets in General Assembly throughout the next days. Send your Spirit to work in and through the commissioners, opening minds and hearts to your leading. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ sustain us in communion and community, even when we differ over decisions and directions. Amen.

HYMN: #757 Come sing, O church, in joy Verses 1, 2, and 4

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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Everyone is welcome to enjoy the luncheon and fellowship in the Banquet Hall following the service.

Communion
Sunday, June 9

