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August 6, 2023

Worship Leader: William Brook **Music Director:** Chellan Hoffman
Guest Organist: Leslie Smith **Cantors:** Members of the Knox Choir

We extend a warm welcome to our Knox community – to those who are tuning in to the livestream service from home or away, and to those who are gathered in our sanctuary.

You are all an integral part of this community. Thank you for being here.

Wifi password - Knox Guest\$2021

We acknowledge that we live, work, play and worship on the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani), the TsuuT'ina, the Stoney Nakoda Nations (Bears paw, Chiniki, and Wesley), the Métis Nation (Region 3), and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta.

All are welcome in our faith community, regardless of age, colour, ethnic, religious or linguistic background, gender, gender identity, social or economic circumstances, sexual orientation and physical or mental capabilities. Knox has been a proud member of Affirm United since 2007.

**Please stand in body or spirit.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

CALL TO WORSHIP

“BECOMING ROOTED” SONG

Put your roots down, put your feet on the ground,
You can hear what she says if you listen.
It's the... same sound as the river, as it moves across the stones.
It's the... same sound as the blood in your body, as it moves across your bones.
Are you list'nin'? Are you list'nin'?

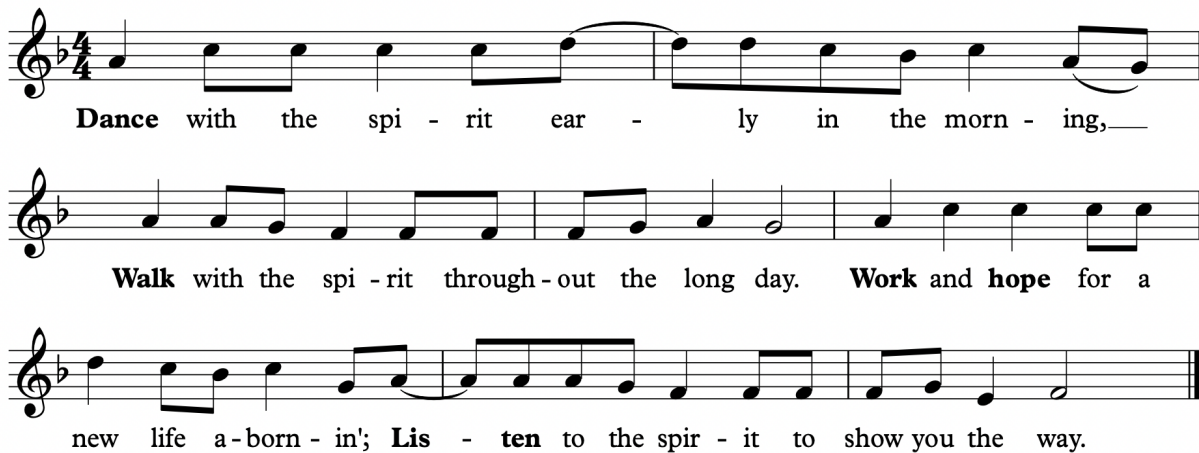
***OPENING HYMN For the Beauty of the Earth VU 226** (sung to tune DIX, VU 71)

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ, be with you.
And also with you. Amen.

***GATHERING SONG**

Dance with the Spirit



Dance with the spi - rit ear - ly in the morn - ing, —
Walk with the spi - rit through - out the long day. **Work and hope** for a
new life a - born - in'; **Lis - ten** to the spir - it to show you the way.

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 3:1-15

REFLECTION “Becoming Rooted” William Brook

**series based on the book “Shalom and the Community of Creation” by Randy Woodley*

HYMN Soil of God, You and I MV 174

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD’S PRAYER (First Nations Version - spoken)

**O Great Spirit, our Father from above,
your name is sacred and holy.
Bring your good road to us,
Where the beauty of your ways
in the spirit-world above,
Is reflected in the earth below.**

**Provide for us day by day
the elk, the buffalo, and the salmon.
The corn, the squash, and the wild rice.
All the good things we need for each day.
Release us from the things we have done wrong
in the same way we release others
for the things done wrong to us.
And guide us away from the things
that tempt us to stray from your good road. AMEN.**

CANDLE LIGHTING AND OFFERING

You are invited to light a candle at the front of the Sanctuary. Candles are lit as a symbol of remembrance, celebration, gratitude, prayer. Please take this opportunity to make an offering online or in person at the candle table. Your financial support makes a huge difference in the future of Knox.

Music: Piano Improvisation

Steve Miller

***CLOSING HYMN God of the Sparrow VU 229**

***BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

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***Thank you for spending time in community worship at Knox United Church, Calgary.
May you feel God's peace, care, energy, and blessing
within you and around you this coming week.***

Please stay for coffee, tea, and conversation!

Thank You to Knox staff & volunteers:

Sheena Trotter-Dennis (minister)	Chellan Hoffman (director of music)
Sue Forsyth (office administrator)	Gerald Love (greeter & usher)
Jampa Tseten, Justin Cross (caretaker)	Bob Benner (sanctuary preparation)
Carey Barrett/Frank Lam (video operator)	Murray, Vi, Chuck (coffee crew)
Tenzin Dawa/Steve Miller (sound operator)	Roman Sizer (social media; IT support)
Keith Murray (VST student, seminary intern)	William Brook (VST student, seminary intern)

Welcome William Brook, VST Intern

We welcome William Brook today! William is joining Knox as a Vancouver School of Theology intern. As part of his internship he will be preaching and leading worship for the next few weeks. William spent most of his life as a geneticist, most recently as a professor at the University of Calgary. But after following a midlife call, he is a candidate for ordained ministry in the United Church of Canada and a Master of Divinity student at the Vancouver School of Theology. William is interested in how spiritual practises can transform lives and communities and leads the Contemplative Ministry at Hillhurst United Church. He lives in West Hillhurst with his partner Darolyn and Hudson the dog. They have three grown children and three grandchildren.

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Please see below for a longer description of some of these events.

Wednesday, August 9	@ 12:30 pm	Worship: Connection and Reflection	Labyrinth
Sat/Sun, August 12-13	All Day	Garage Sale	Gym

Please note: The church building and office will close at 4 pm during July and August.

Making Sacred Connections: Worship

WEEKLY Connection and Reflection (Wednesday Worship):

12:30-1:30 pm, Labyrinth Room Join us for a time of reflection and conversation. Held in the beautiful Labyrinth Room, framed with music, readings, and a time for silence and quiet reflection, we will come together to listen, to talk, and to be in community together. All are welcome.

Sermon Series: God's Shalom and the Harmony Way: The Harmony Way is a spirituality lived out by Indigenous peoples around the world. In the Harmony Way, we remember that we are all connected to each other, to the land, to all forms of life, and to the divine. We are meant to share the earth and live together in cooperation and peace. What does this have to do with our Christian story? That is what we will explore in a four-sermon series based on the books *God's Shalom and the Community of Creation* and *Becoming Rooted* both by Cherokee pastor and professor Dr. Randy Woodley.

Making Sacred Connections: Building Community



Camp Caravan is coming to Knox United Church August 14 -18

Camp Caravan is a full-day summer camp program (9 am – 4 pm including lunch supervision) for children ages four to grade 6. Children will explore ways in which they can experience God's love and "Follow the Spirit" in their everyday lives, all while building friendships and having fun. It is filled with epic learning experiences children will see, hear, touch, and even taste! Through small group activities, sharing stories and team-building games, everyone will be kept on the move, as we find creative ways to discover God's love. Children will explore their faith through a variety of activities and media sources such as music, crafts/art, stories, games/ activities, science and themed snacks! All activities are facilitated by engaged and active leaders that are focused on making sure all children feel included and accepted for who they are. Join us on our journey to discover God's exciting gifts and love

PROGRAM COSTS: one week 5 day camp \$125 per child

FOR REGISTRATION AND FURTHER INFORMATION EMAIL: infocampcaravan@gmail.com

English Language Learning Classes for Newcomers have begun at Knox

Thank you to the volunteers assisting with these classes at Knox! **We could still use a few more individuals for certain Mondays and Thursdays between 1:30 PM and 3:30 PM.**

Please note that the volunteer submission form on the Knox website has had some glitches, and some volunteer offers have not come through. Therefore, an option would be to **simply email EnglishatKnox@gmail.com with your offer to assist.** Your email will open the necessary lines of communication. This may be a good time to consider stepping out of your comfort zone and giving this opportunity some consideration.

NEEDED Garage Sale - Jewels for Jesus We are having a fundraising garage sale on **August 12 & 13** so are looking for donations. Please bring your donations to the church and leave them outside the office and we will store them until the event.

THANK YOU From the Knox Treasurer Summer has officially arrived. We look forward to adventures near and far, precious time with family and friends on patios and some straight up R&R. Our online services offer the opportunity to be spiritually present from wherever you are during the summer. Typically, offerings fluctuate over the summer months, and we invite you to continue your generosity even when you're not physically attending Knox. The past months have been incredibly busy at Knox - much has been accomplished with so much more to look forward to. Your gifts are received with gratitude and we thank you for supporting the ministry at Knox. Wishing everyone a safe, joyous, restful and wonderful summer.

Donating to Knox over the summer:

- Through the website: kxcalgary.com. Click the "Donate" button to donate online through ChurchCenter.com and PayPal
- The QR code during the online services links to the Donate page on the website
- Interac e-Transfer (email address: donate@kxcalgary.com)
- PAR (pre-authorized remittance), post-dated cheques or to request a set of personal donation envelopes to use throughout the year, please contact the church office at 403-269-8382.
- Mail a cheque payable to: **Knox United Church**, 504 4th Street SW, Calgary AB T2P 1S7

** Income Tax Receipts for the total of all donations during 2023 will be issued before the end of February 2024.

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