



Knox News

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UPDATING CONTACT INFORMATION: IMPORTANT

We are updating our contact list. This work is really important. We must have reliable contact information as part of our emergency protocols. If your email or phone number has changed or if you have cancelled your land line, please just respond to this version of Knox News with your new contact information!

It's fast and its easy!! Thank you so much for your quick attention to this! I will save busy volunteers countless hours of phoning!

Cheryl will change your information on our mail list and on our email list. If you are wanting to take your name off either list then please reply to Cheryl and request removal.



So long, farewell, auf wiedersehen,
good-bye to

Betty Anderson

who has recently relocated to Winnipeg.
We at Knox send her our best wishes
for a future filled with health and happiness.

**It is the second week of September
in a year that is stranger than any most of us can remember.**

It feels to me - as kids, teachers and staff head back to school - as if the world we knew has unraveled and a new one is being spun. The bubbles we have carefully established this summer have now been expanded if we are in relationship with children and well... anyone in the school system.

This virus is with us - and we know it will be for months if not years...

As Leadership Team wrestles with a policy to guide our gradual return to "in person" events and worship we are aware that so much about worship as we knew it has changed and perhaps irrevocably. Will we ever share the common cup again? Sing boldly? Shake hands and hug? Or will communion be something entirely different - perhaps an addition to a family meal - more like the seder meal that Jesus shared with his friends?

There are a lot of big questions that come along with this virus - what new lenses does it bring to the life of faith?

And so, when I read this poem by a poet now familiar to you Steve Garnaas Holmes -

I wanted to share it with you!

I wonder what our Loving Weaver

is unraveling and weaving out of you and me these days?

A weaver moves into your house.

She makes beautiful things

out of everything you own,

weaving every living thing together.

She unravels rugs and furniture.

The loss is great.

But they're so beautiful.

They bring joy to everyone.

So you let her.

She unravels your house.

You hesitate, but choose to let her.

What she weaves is amazing,

and clothes the world in beauty.

You are truly happy.

She takes your hand and begins gently carefully unraveling—

At Knox, we remember that we are not alone, and that as community we can lean on the wisdom of all generations.

Thank you so much to seniors who sent in words of encouragement to our families and youth and children last week.

If you missed it Sunday, here are their words!



Name: Jan

Age 76

Words of advice: Love and have fun with your family and besties....and don't let a little fall spoil your day!



Name: Pat

Age: 79

Wisdom: Let your life be one of contagious joy, enlivened by your times alone with God.



Name: Donald

Age: 91

Words of wisdom/advice: "Over the years I have learned that when I encounter a situation that has become difficult I try to persevere, or to keep going. If others are involved we try to work together, unpushed, little by little, step by step, or as in one of Cheryl's spiritualbythelake posts- bird by bird."



School taught us to love books and love learning and we still love books and learning even tho' we are Grandma-Grandpa age. Knox kids and youth...there are so many interesting things to learn about. We hope you have an interesting and fun school year! Eric and Cheryl



Pat

Age: 77

Words: I have never been afraid to ask for help in situations I was anxious about.



Andrea

Age: 72 years

Be kind and helpful to others
Surround yourself by people that love you
Appreciate the beauty of nature and all life has to offer



Name: Ruth
Age: 73

My advice: When a big task before you seems overwhelming, try to focus on a few first steps. You will gain confidence from many little signs of progress



Dorothy

A new school year is a new Adventure. No matter how your Adventure unfolds, remember: Each of you is One-of-a Kind Special, and each of you is So Loved!



Thelma
Age: 71

Wisdom: Go forward in trust
— God has got this!



Phil
Age: 79!

Words: Life is about family ... and we are all part of many families.

Monday Study Group:

Starting this coming Monday at 10:30 - 12 noon.
Study Group resumes on Zoom to work through the book:
Earth: Our Original Monastery by Christine Valters Paintner.
Please contact Meg if you are interested in joining this session.
We'll order more books. Cost is \$25 for the book.

Online Worship Link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5OAUQoRFHn2JtEZYAcn7og?view_as=subscriber