



Knox United Church

December 14, 2025

News & Notes

**If you have a pastoral care emergency,
please contact Rev. Richard Chung at 250-215-0703**

Advent & Christmas Series: "God with Us in Uncertain Times"

This season isn't about waiting for everything to be perfect. It's about learning how God shows up in real life — in the middle of uncertainty, change, questions, and even danger.

Advent prepares us, Christmas celebrates God's arrival, and the days after reminding us: God stays with us, no matter what.

Advent 3 - Joy

Dec 14, 2025

Are You the One? - Joy Starts with Clarity
Matthew 11:2-11

Advent 4 -Love

Dec 21, 2025

Choosing Courage Over Fear
Matthew 1:18-25

"The Complicated Joy of Advent" **A Message from the Moderator**



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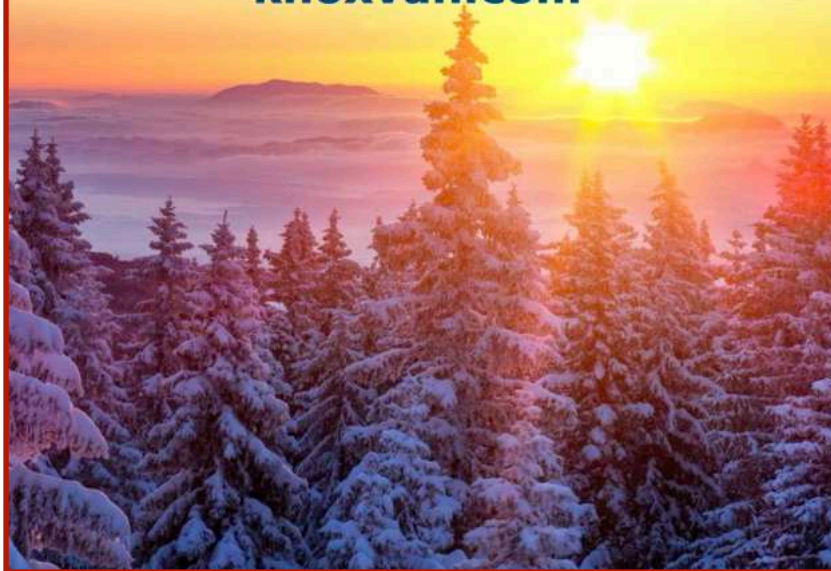
Daily Meditations

**Find them in
video, text or printable
format at
knoxvan.com**

COFFEE AND CHAT WITH REV RICHARD

In the privacy of the Knox Vestry
Wednesdays 10:00am-2:00pm

Feel free to drop in
or call him at
250-215-0703
to schedule a time.



Knox Weekly Calendar

Dec 13	All Day 3:00 pm	Rental: Acting UP! Musical Theatre Concert Rehearsal & Set Up. A Winter Singfest - Acting UP! Musical Theatre (doors open at 2:30pm)
Dec 14	10:00 am 11:00 am	Sunday Worship Service - Advent 3 Joy Fellowship Time
Dec 15	1:00 pm 7:00 pm	Monday Afternoon Social Rental: Alanon
Dec 16	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Advent Book Study With Rev Aaron Miller Rental: BC Therapeutic Touch Society
Dec 17	10:00 am 3:00 pm	Coffee and Chat with Rev. Richard Rental: Acting UP! Musical Theatre
Dec 18	10:30 am 7:00 pm	Knox Board Meeting (Narthex) Knox Choir Practice
Dec 21	10:00 am 11:00 am	Sunday Worship Service - Advent 4 Love Fellowship Time

December Office Closures

The Knox Office will be closed from December 24th – 30th.

For *End of Year Donations*, the office will be open Wednesday, December 31st from 10:00am – 3:00 pm to receive monies you wish to be part of your 2025 Tax Receipt.

January Reopening

The office will reopen on Monday, January 5th at 10:00 am.

Knox and Friends Reach Out to UBC Campus Ministry



This Advent and Christmas season Knox is reaching out to support the UBC Campus Ministry with donations to students and others in need at this time. At UBC there are students and families who are struggling, perhaps emotionally and, or financially, particularly at this time of the year. Many may be away from family, and struggling to make ends meet as they make their way through their education.

Donation ideas and gifts? Appreciated gift ideas include items such as gift cards (for food, specifically protein items, other groceries, coffee or tea, etc.). Other gifts could include personal care items, or small gifts which might brighten a day for the person or a family member.

Please put items in the large gift donation box at Knox United, and everything will be gathered for delivery to UBC Campus Ministry prior to Christmas. A deadline date will be established and advertised soon.

Thank you for your support for those in need.



Advent & Christmas Appeal

Our Advent & Christmas Appeal this year is to support the Knox Mission & Vision.

Special Appeal Envelopes can be found in the Narthex and pews on Sunday mornings.

Stewardship Campaign 2026

The Finance Team would like to thank everyone who has responded to our stewardship campaign. Your pledges help us prepare for the coming year. We know there are still a few pledges to be returned and appreciate your response and support. **THANK YOU!!**

Please reach out to the Knox Office if you have not yet received your stewardship package or have any questions.



Stretch, Strength & Balance

Seniors' Fitness Classes at Knox

2025 Sessions Are Now Over

First 2026 Session - Jan 8th

Thursdays 1:45pm-2:45pm

All Classes are Drop-in
\$10 per week,
Payable at Class (Debit,
Credit, Cash)



Monday Afternoon Socials

1:00pm-4:00pm

at Knox

Arts &
Crafts

Puzzles

Card
Games

Painting

Coffee, Tea
& treats





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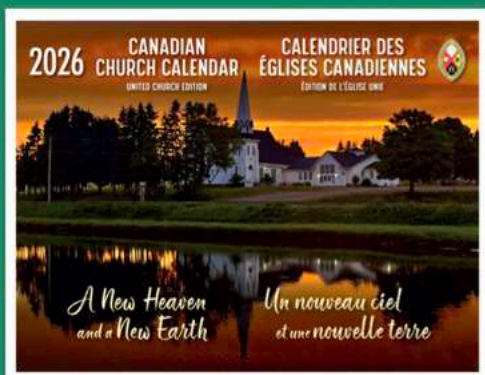
Palestinian Agricultural Products include:

Olive Oil 750mL \$25
Za'atar Spices \$5
Olive Oil Soap \$5

Items will be available for sale in the Narthex after worship or contact David Cass, decass@uniserve.com or 604-314-7225.

Your support is greatly appreciated. Net proceeds go towards assisting Palestinian farmers and the UCC Unsettling Goods Campaign.

The 2026 Canadian Church Calendar



Copies are now available for purchase in the Narthex after Sunday Services or by contacting the Knox Office.

\$15.00 each



A WINTER "SINGFEST"

JOIN ACTING UP! STUDENTS, ALUMNI & SPECIAL GUESTS FOR AN AFTERNOON OF SINGING & MEMORIES!



HELP US CELEBRATE & SUPPORT THE FUTURE OF ACTING UP!

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13TH
AT 3:00PM**

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LIGHT REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW



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Mission:

**"We exist to love God and love our neighbours"
(Matthew 22: 36-40)**

Vision:

"We aspire to engage our neighbours through the arts, building a community without loneliness"

