

*December 27, 2020*



## ARE YOU NEW TO KNOX? WELCOME!



### Prayer

If you would like someone to pray with you, pastors will be available at the front of the Worship Center after the service.



### Communion

We celebrate Communion weekly. If you are a baptized follower of Christ, we invite you to join us.



### Questions?

If you'd like to talk with someone about questions you have, please contact the Knox Office. Information is also available through the Knox app or website.



### Connecting at Knox

Community Groups are one of the ways we seek to help folks get and stay connected at Knox. These small groups are a way to engage in Gospel-centered community as we study God's Word, worship, pray, serve, and seek to live out a God-honoring, neighbor-loving life together. Visit the Knox website (Ministries -> Adult) to find out more about Community Groups and to complete a request form to join one.

#### **LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY**

*Pastor Tom Robinson (sermon & Communion) • Pastor Mike Frison (liturgy)*

## - FOR REFLECTION -

*Conscious of what we might think, God says that strong faith can coexist with emotional highs, lows, and everything in between. It is a myth that faith is always smiling. The truth is that faith often feels like the ordinary process of dragging one foot in front of the other because we are conscious of God.*

*- Edward Welch*



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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## – GOD GATHERS –

**Prelude** *(You are invited to pray and reflect silently.)*

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

**\*Hymn of Praise** *Angels from the Realms of Glory*

**\*Prayer of Praise**

**\*Songs of Praise** *Beautiful Mystery  
Do It Again*

## – GOD RENEWS –

**Silent Confession of Sin**

**Assurance of Grace** *2 Corinthians 4:6*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Song of Preparation** *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!*

## – GOD FEEDS –

**Scripture Reading** *Psalm 73*

**Sermon** *Our Perspective vs. God's Perspective*

**Approaching the Table** *Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment*

**The Lord's Supper**

**\*Song** *All Glory Be to Christ*

## – GOD SENDS –

**\*Benediction**

*\* Please rise in body or in spirit*

# OUR PERSPECTIVE VS. GOD'S PERSPECTIVE

*Psalm 73*

*Next Week: John 15:1-11*

# - GOING DEEPER -

## Questions for "Our Perspective vs. God's Perspective"

- ▶ As you reflect on 2020 and look ahead to 2021, what are some words/emotions that come to your mind?
- ▶ When was there a time in your life when you felt like Asaph, wondering if it "has been in vain keeping your heart clean" and maybe even a feeling of envy and unfairness towards others?
- ▶ Was there a time your life when you had questions or a sense of confusion but when you spent time in the Lord's presence, things started to change and take on a different perspective?
- ▶ Which of God's promises do you find most encouraging as you look at 2021:
  - ~ that HE will give justice to the ungodly
  - ~ that HE is continually with you
  - ~ that HE has a hold of your right hand
  - ~ that HE will guide you with His counsel and
  - ~ that at the end of your life HE promises to receive you to glory to be with Him forever.
- ▶ How can God use what you have experienced and have learned from it to minister to others?





## Family Matters

- ▶ We will offer “The Heart and Soul of a Real Marriage / Relationship” starting in January. Details and registration are available on our website. You may also use the Knox app to register for the class. Deadline to register: January 6.
- ▶ Winter is here. If the building is closed for Sunday worship due to weather or road conditions, we will notify you by: (1) a message on our website, (2) an email to the congregation, (3) a Knox app push message, and (4) an announcement on the office voicemail.
- ▶ Knox has been conducting a search for a new Children's Ministry Director. See details under News & Updates on our website. Feel free to share with anyone you think may be interested.



## Community / Ways to Connect

- ▶ Family Life Services (FLS) in Ypsilanti will receive this year's special Christmas offering. Visit their website (<https://flsfriends.org/>) to learn more about this organization that seeks to empower women through Christian community to build strong families and celebrate all life. You may give to the Christmas offering online or use special offering envelopes available at the Welcome Center in the atrium.
- ▶ If you are new to Knox, welcome! Visit our website ([knoxannarbor.org](https://knoxannarbor.org)) to find out more about our church. Our home page provides links to words of encouragement from our pastors, ways to help within Knox and in our broader community, news and updates, and the ongoing conversation regarding Sabbath, race and community.
- ▶ Download our app to see the Knox calendar, listen to sermons, support our ministry financially, and receive notification of building closures due to weather or power outages. Look for “app” on our website for details.



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