

# Gospel of John

*November 14, 2021*



## 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.



### New at Knox or ready to get better connected?

If you have questions, please contact the Knox Office (734.761.5669) or fill out a CONNECT CARD, found in the pews. We'd like to hear from you! If you would like to make meaningful connections with others at Knox, please contact our Ministry Director, Kathy Brace, at [kbrace@knoxannarbor.org](mailto:kbrace@knoxannarbor.org) or 734.761.5669, ext. 222 to learn about ministries for all age groups and ways to serve. To stay up to date with what's happening at Knox, request the weekly email using this QR code.



### Childcare & Children's Worship

Care is available during the service for children birth to 3 years of age. Our Early Childhood Wing is located on the same level as the Worship Center. We welcome your children!

PLEASE NOTE: Children in PreK to 2nd grade attending Children's Worship will be dismissed after the Pastoral Prayer to join a volunteer at the rear of the sanctuary. Stickers are located in the pews. Before sending your child, please fill out the sticker, placing the large tag on your child's back and keeping the small portion to show at pickup. You will be asked to show an ID if you lose your half of the ticket. If it's your child's first time to go to Children's Worship, please accompany him or her down the stairs to the Gathering Place room to complete check-in. If you are not attending the CE hour, **please pick up your child from the PreK/K classroom on the lower level.**

## - FOR REFLECTION -

*I am His by purchase and I am His by conquest; I am His by donation and I am His by election; I am His by covenant and I am His by marriage; I am wholly His; I am peculiarly His; I am universally His; I am eternally His. Once I was a slave but now I am a son; once I was dead but now I am alive; once I was darkness but now I am light in the Lord; once I was a child of wrath, an heir of hell, but now I am an heir of heaven; once I was Satan's bond-servant but now I am God's freeman; once I was under the spirit of bondage but now I am under the Spirit of adoption that seals up to me the remission of my sins, the justification of my person and the salvation of my soul.*

Thomas Brooks



# ∞ ORDER OF WORSHIP ∞

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## – GOD GATHERS –

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

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** *Psalm 103*

**Hymn of Praise** *Holy God, We Praise Your Name*

**\*Prayer of Praise**

**\*Songs of Praise** *King of Kings  
Good, Good Father*

## – GOD RENEWS –

**Confession of Sin**

**Assurance of Grace** *Ezekiel 36:25-26*

**Pastoral Prayer**

*\*\* Children dismissed to Children's Worship \*\**

**Song of Preparation** *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

## – GOD FEEDS –

**Scripture Reading** *John 4:1-26*

**Sermon** *The Woman at the Well*

**Approaching the Table** *Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face*

**The Lord's Supper**

**\*Hymn** *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus*

## – GOD SENDS –

**\*Benediction**

*\* Please rise in body or in spirit*

# THE WOMAN AT THE WELL

*John 4:1-26*

*Next week: John 4:27-42*

## - GOING DEEPER -

In today's sermon, we are reminded that Jesus is the kind of Messiah who crosses boundaries.

- ▶ Can you think of other Gospel accounts in which Jesus demonstrates he is the boundary-crossing Messiah? How do those accounts stretch and deepen your understanding of how radical Jesus' ministry really was?
- ▶ Let's consider this passage in our contemporary situation. How is Jesus demonstrating today that he is still the boundary-crossing Messiah? How do the things that come to mind continue to demonstrate how radical Jesus' ongoing ministry really is?
- ▶ How have you been a boundary-crossing representative of Messiah Jesus? How has Knox? How has the church at large in America? Of what do we need to repent? On what can we continue to build?
- ▶ What kind of boundaries did Jesus need to cross to reach you? What does that teach you about yourself, about Jesus, and about the gospel? Think of how your answers might fuel your own hunger to follow your boundary-crossing Messiah into the world.

# C.E. CLASSES

Christian Education/Sunday School

All classes will start at 11:15 AM.



## Children

PreK & Kindergarten: Room 117

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>: Room 103

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>: Room 115

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>: NorthStar Room

Classrooms are on the lower level.



## Middle & High School

7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>: Turning Point Room  
(on the lower level)

Jesus and Zachaeus: A Study in  
Hospitality



## Adults

### THE GOSPEL'S CALL TO HOSPITALITY ACROSS CULTURES

(Pastor Bryan Gregory, Valerie Johnson, Fred Bailey and Elder Sara Chang)

► *Worship Center and via Zoom (see link in Friday's email)*

This fall, as part of Knox's year-long focus on hospitality, we will examine the ways that the Bible calls us to extend the same extravagant welcome to others who are different from us. Through deep study of God's big story across the Old and New Testaments, we'll discover how inter-cultural hospitality is at the very core of the gospel, not an optional add-on to Christian doctrine. Driven by biblical truths, we'll consider hospitality in a variety of forms, from opening our homes to one another and building friendships with people unlike ourselves, to examining Knox's practices and traditions and the ways that our community might become even more inviting to people from a variety of backgrounds and cultures. In the end, we hope that Knox might more fully live into the vision given to us in Isaiah, where people of God's church from all nations, tribes, and tongues stream into His eternal city (Isaiah 66), gathering for the ultimate experience of hospitality and belonging—celebrating Him around a heavenly banquet table (Isaiah 25:6; Revelation 7, 19:6-9).

### LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY

*Pastor Bryan Gregory (sermon) • Pastor Josh Boehr (liturgy)*



## Family Matters

- ▶ **Special congregational meeting** Immediately following the service on Sunday, Nov. 21, members are invited to a short meeting to vote on a small by-law change related to leadership training. An email was sent out last week with details about the by-law change; if you did not receive it, you can contact the Knox Office (734-761-5669, [adminsupport@knoxannarbor.org](mailto:adminsupport@knoxannarbor.org)) for a copy.
- ▶ We have a **job opening** for a **Facilities Manager**. The position has been posted on the Knox website (About > Job Openings > Facilities Manager). If you know anyone who is seeking such a position and who may be a good fit at Knox, please pass along this information.
- ▶ Join us in Knox Hall after worship on Nov. 28 to **make an Advent Wreath**. Please sign up on our website (News & Updates > Make an Advent Wreath) so we'll have plenty of supplies for everyone!
- ▶ **Service of Lament: a pathway to hope & praise** Dec. 5, 7-8 PM. Loss, pain, and unexpected or unwanted change may have taken a toll on your spirit, caused you grief, or revealed sin in your life. Through this service, you may experience God's comforting presence, hear his voice of peace and hope, and be strengthened for the future.



## Community / Ways to Connect

- ▶ **Thanksgiving baskets** The Deacons invite you to purchase a complete holiday meal for Dicken School families in need. You can find the shopping list on our website (News & Updates > Dicken Thanksgiving Baskets) and on the display table in the atrium. We will collect baskets through Nov. 21.
- ▶ **Jobs Openings** Hope Clinic is urgently seeking a staff member for the Hope Clinic Food Program, as well as a few additional positions. Please check out their available positions at [www.thehopeclinic.org/jobs](http://www.thehopeclinic.org/jobs) and share widely.
- ▶ Christmas season is almost upon us. Hope Clinic invites you to join them in giving **Hope for the Holidays** to families in need. See all the ways that you can give hope to your neighbors at their **Online Market** (<https://thehopeclinic.org/hope-for-the-holidays>). You can sponsor Christmas for a local family in need as well as various services that Hope provides, such as doctors' visits, dental appointments, or groceries for a family who may be struggling.



In Essentials, Unity. In Non-essentials, Liberty.  
In All Things, Charity.



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