

Week at John Knox Presbyterian Church

Mon. Wed. & Fri.	10 – 2pm	Community Food Pantry
Thursday Evening	6 - 8pm	Community Food Pantry
Mon. – Weds.	10 – 2pm	THRIVE
Weds. Evening	4 – 7pm	THRIVE

Sunday, October 8 **JK Troop 331 – Retiring the Colors**
10 am Worship Service/Fellowship
1 pm Grand Rapids Matu Christian Church (GRMCC)

Mon., October 9 **Church Office Closed**
10 am ESL- Thrive
11 am Citizenship – Thrive

Tues., October 10 **Celebrating Women of Faith**
10 am Women of Faith Program & Lunch - Parlor
5:30 pm Farm to Pantry Class – Gym
6:30 pm Business Affairs

Wed., October 11 **Grand Rapids Scottish Society**
10 am ESL- Thrive
11 am Citizenship – Thrive
7 pm Handbells

Thurs., October 12

Fri. October 13

Sat. October 14
10 am Grand Rapids Matu Christian Church – Classrooms
6 pm Grand Rapids Matu Christian Church – Sanctuary

Sunday, October 15
10 am Worship Service/Fellowship
1 pm Grand Rapids Matu Christian Church (GRMCC)

John Knox Presbyterian Church

October 8, 2017

Announcements

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADER

Rev. Christine Barnes, Pastor

Sermon Title, "Press On"

Mary Schols, Lay Reader

Marcia Huizenga, Organist

Thom Adams, Sound & Video Tech

Last week's attendance: 31

Noisy Offering: Peace & Global Witness will be the recipient of October's Noisy Offering. September's Noisy Offering was in the amount of \$140.72.

The Boy Scouts Annual Popcorn & Wreath Fundraiser is set up next to the coat racks **today**. All sales benefit Troop 331 and their programs

John Knox Boy Scout Troop 331

Boy Scout Troop 331 will retire its colors with John Knox Presbyterian Church as its chartering organization at today's service. The troop will move to its new chartering organization St. Mark's Lutheran Church to continue its activities. Join us for coffee hour as we wish them well and wish them on to new adventures.

Business Affairs Committee will meet on Tues., October 10th at 6:30 pm.

Update from Exploratory Committee: We continue to wait for a firm offer, however, the real estate agent shows interested groups through the church

Celebrating Women of Faith

Tuesday, Oct. 10, 10 am – 2 pm

Lunch, Worship, Music & Entertainment

Dress casually and be prepared to have a good time.

The sign-up sheet is located next to the coat rack.

The program is free of charge.

FREE TABLE: In the hallway leading to the gym stairs, there is a table with books on it. If you find something of interest, you are free to take it home with you.

PANTRY NEEDS: This month The Pantry is need of canned or dry low sodium soups.

The Peace Ringers Handbell Ensemble is rehearsing every Wednesday evening at 6:45 pm. We look forward with anticipation to their first performance on Sunday, October 29th.

THESE DAYS: A new issue of the daily devotional is available on the kiosk.

Paper Gator: \$65.88 was received for the paper we recycled in the past 6 months.



13th Annual Spaghetti Dinner
Friday, November 10th 5 -7pm
Brookside CRC, 3600 Kalamazoo Ave SE
Adults \$8 – Children 6-12 \$3 – Kids 5 & under FREE!
Includes Spaghetti with meat or vegetarian sauce,
salad, garlic bread, green beans and homemade dessert.
All proceeds benefit the food pantry!

"O the Deep, Deep, Love of Jesus"

O the Deep, Deep, Love of Jesus is a well-known hymn written by Samuel Trevor Francis (1834–1925) in 1875. Born in a village north of London, he joined the church choir at the age of nine, but as a teenager, he struggled spiritually. One night on a bridge over the River Thames, he contemplated suicide. "I drew back and suddenly a message was borne into my very soul: 'Do you believe in the Lord, Jesus Christ?' I answered at once, 'I do believe,' and I put my whole trust in Him as my Savior."

Francis went on to become a London merchant, but his real passion was writing hymns, which occupied his remaining seventy-three years. He traveled widely and preached around the world. He died at age ninety-two.

O the Deep, Deep, Love of Jesus compares Jesus' love to the ocean in scope, emphasizing the limitless, unchanging, and sacrificial nature of God's affections for the singer and all of humanity.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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| 10/02 | Norm Dragoo |
| 10/11 | Jan Spriggs |
| 10/15 | Helen Bosch |
| 10/15 | Shirley Andrews |

Please remember our Home Members:

Helen Bosch, Betty Clements,
Johnalee Hebron, Dorothy Petrakis,
Anita Snodgrass and Marge
Harmelink.



Former member, **Bruce Hayden**, is recovering from a bladder biopsy. Please keep Bruce and Chris in your prayers as they wait for results of the biopsy.

Sonya Koets. prayers for healing. Cards are welcome. 841 Cottage Grove SE, GR MI 49507

September's "Ludwig News From Niger" letter is in the publication rack next to the office. In addition to Rachel's parents visit, coordinators from the regional PCUSA were also there to help cement relationships and visit with the newest mission co-work

Rev. Michael & Rachel Ludwig and Family, Mission Co-Workers in Niger

