



“As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease.”
Genesis 8: 22

August 24, 2022

Summer blessings

Where did the summer do? Thankfully there are still days left to enjoy the heat and harvest that the end of August brings.

There are a great many things coming up the beginning of September. We are sending out this late August Newsletter to keep you up on the events that happened over the summer and the new ones just ahead. There will also be an early September newsletter to let you know about events coming out of the first meetings in September.

If you have any questions or comments about events at either St. Andrew's or Knox, please let me know.

Susan

ROOF REPAIRS (KNOX)

Thanks to financial support from Waterloo-Wellington Presbytery, Knox-Elora is finally getting a much-needed, new roof for the church. The successful contractor for this job was Classic Products Roofing Systems from Cambridge. Work will begin on Monday, August 29, 2022, with the arrival of 3 booms. Monday will be spent doing setup and preparation work for the roofers to begin their work on Tuesday. Classic Roofing plans on having 11 roofers assigned to install the new roof over a 2-week period. As each boom serves the purpose for which it was engaged, it will be taken off the job site so that eventually, only 1 boom will remain until the roof is completed. This roofing project does not include re-covering the outside of the Steeple. The exterior of the Steeple will have to wait until a future date, when additional funding is available. (submitted by Loretta Fox, on behalf of the Board of Managers)

LOOKING GOOD

Building on the repairs and upgrades completed before the summer break (new fence and improved lighting the Fellowship Hall), a number of projects were completed this summer at St. Andrew's. Interlocking paving stones were added to the base of the ramp transitioning from the base of the ramp to the sidewalk. The front door sill and repairs to the cement steps have been completed. Great Job!!!

SERVICE CLUB

The Service Club would like to thank everyone who purchased Strawberry Freezer Jam. It was a sweet success. Following their September meeting (Sept. 13), they will share their plans for the Fall.

KnECT

Speaking of sweet success, KnECT is looking for volunteers for their Apple Pie Day which this year is November 12th. If you would like to help, please contact Jim or Jen M. or message KnECT through their Facebook page.

The Annual Salvation Army Winter Clothing drive is also November 12. So start cleaning out those winter closets! Pick up and special drop off times can be arranged through the Knox Office.

FUTURES GROUP

Speaking of pie.... the Future Group is planning to make meat pies this fall. I think we are all going to need to make room in our freezers next to the Service Club's Strawberry Freezer Jam for a supply of KnECT Apple Pies and the Futures Group Meat Pies. Price and date of sale in the next Newsletter.

The Future Group also has plans for the Roast Beef Dinner this Fall and something for the community children for Halloween. More details to follow.

WEDDINGS AT KNOX

This week, Jane, Shelley, Mary and Susan met to create a new policy for handling weddings at Knox. Since we were not able to find someone to take over the program from Jane, we have decided to break the job up into smaller pieces. Mary will be looking after the bookings and paperwork related to the wedding. Shelley and I will take turns organizing the volunteers for each wedding.

We are looking for volunteers to help at the rehearsal or the day of the wedding for the following jobs: lift operator, fellowship hall greeter, parking attendant (making sure the reserved parking next to the church is used by wedding guests), bridal party coordinator (opening the door for the bridal party and making sure the bride looks fabulous) and setting up the church for the ceremony. If you would like to volunteer let me know revsvclarke@yahoo.ca 519-846-0680. We are looking for volunteers for the following dates September 10, November 20th and November 26th.

We are also looking at ways to promote Knox as a wonderful place to have your wedding ceremony.

KNOX BOX

The Knox Box is in desperate need of food items. We are looking for canned goods, pasta, fruit cups, juice boxes, KD, noodles, crackers, peanut butter, snacks to go etc. No jars, please. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

HOOTENANNY

Wasn't that a party! What a great way to say Good Bye to July and Hello August. Thanks to the No Name Band and Friends for putting on a great evening of entertainment. The "Pass of the Hat" raised over \$1100. A new element to the evening was the sale of hot dogs and soft ice cream by the Futures Group. It too was a big hit raising almost \$600. Congratulations and thank you all our wonderful volunteers.

SILENT AUCTION

Thanks to everyone who supported the Futures Group's Summer Silent Auction. It raised over \$1000. Tentative plans are underway to have another one in the near future. So if you have items you are looking to donate, please keep this in mind. Until we have a date, set please don't bring the items in to the church. ..

COMMUNITY DINNERS

The Community Dinners at Knox will resume this September 9th. They are held the first Friday of the month in conjunction with the Centre Wellington Food Bank. Meals are at 6:00 pm. The Clothes Hamper will be open.

CONCERTS

This fall, Knox will resume its "Winter" Concert series. Our first concert is October 28 at 7:30 featuring the fabulous **Allison Lupton**- multiple CFMA Traditional Singer of the Year nominee- <https://allisonlupton.com/> **Tony McManus**- internationally renowned Celtic guitarist- <https://www.tonymcmanus.com/> **Shane Cook**- Canadian and US National Fiddle Champion- <https://www.shanecook.com/> and **Joseph Phillips**- (Seamus Egan, Wailin' Jennys, Symphonia London, Art of Time)- bass- <http://continuummusic.org/about/bios/joe-phillips>. Tickets are \$25 and go on sale the middle September. If you would like to reserve your tickets early or would like to volunteer with the concert, please call the Knox Office.

JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

The first meeting of the Creative Team for the Journey to Bethlehem is September 8th at 7:00 at Alma United Church. If you are interested in helping to organize this year's event or would like to volunteer at the event, please contact Chris G. or Susan C.

PRAYER CHAIN

A quick reminder that our prayer list is first names only. If you have a prayer request, please let me know. (At your request, the person's name will appear on this list.)

Brian	Bob	Richard	Don	Nancy
Stephen	Donna	KnECT	Jeff	Carol
Lynn	Cathy	Mark	Elora United	Robert
Front line workers	Vi	Ann	Corrie & Sam	Jim
Teachers	St. James	Alma United	Peter	Bill
John's family	Michael House	Denise	June	Helen
Paul	Bethany	School children	School Staff	

GIVINGS

A reminder, that both St. Andrew's (8 Peel Street, Alma) and Knox (51 Church St. E, Elora), accept donations by cheque. Knox also accepts e-transfers and online donations through our website at www.knoxelora.ca. As work begins on the sanctuary roof, if you haven't made a donation to the Knox restoration fund, please consider one now.

AND NOW THE FUNNY

Sam died and left \$50,000 in his will for an elaborate funeral.

As the last attenders left, Sam's wife, Rose, turned to her oldest friend, Sadie, and said: "Well, I'm sure Sam would be pleased."

"I'm sure you're right" replied Sadie, who leaned in close and lowered her voice to a whisper: "tell me, how much did it really cost?"

"All of it" said Rose. "50,000."

"No!" Sadie exclaimed "I mean, it was very nice, but really.....\$50,000?"

Rose nodded. "The funeral was \$6500. I donated \$500 to the church. The food and drinks were another \$500. And the rest went towards the memorial stone."

Sadie computed quickly: "\$42,500 for a memorial stone? Exactly how big is it?"

"Seven and a half carats."

QUICK REMINDERS

August 28 Congregational Maintenance Meeting St. Andrew's

August 29-September 9

Installation of new Roof on the sanctuary of Knox

Sept. 4 Food Bank Sunday

Sept. 6 Session Meeting St. Andrew's

Sept. 8 Futures Group (1:00 p.m.)

Journey to Bethlehem -Creative Team Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Sept. 9 Community Dinner

Clothes Hamper reopens

Sept. 10 Vandenburg/Bruce Wedding

Sept. 11 Dedication of new fence St. Andrew's

Sept. 13 Service Club (7:30 p.m.)

Sept. 14 Session Meeting Knox

Sept. 21 KnECT Meeting (7:30 p.m.)

Oct. 2 The Sacrament of Communion

Food Bank Sunday

Oct. 9 Thanksgiving Sunday

Oct. 11 Service Club (7:30 p.m.)

Oct. 12 Session Meeting Knox

Oct. 16 Knox Anniversary

Oct. 28 Allison Lupton in Concert

Nov. 6 St. Andrew's Anniversary

The Honourable Rob Black is our guest Speaker

Food Bank Sunday

Nov. 12 Apple Pie Day and Salvation Army Coat Drive