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Creation 6 – October 9, 2022
Thanksgiving Sunday – “One Home”

Worship Leader: The Rev. Tom Melvin
Music Director: Chellan Hoffman **Knox United Church Choir**
Cantor: Pat Place **Readers:** David Westwick, Pat Place, Ann Farebrother.

*We extend a warm welcome to our Knox community – to those who are tuning in to the livestream service from home or away, and to those who are gathered in our sanctuary.
You are all an integral part of this community. Thank you for being here.*

GATHERING HYMN SING (congregation remains seated; choir stands)

VU = Voices United (red hymnbook) **MV** = More Voices (coil book)

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- We Praise You, O God VU 218
- For the Fruit of All Creation VU 227

WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

PRELUDE A Thanksgiving Medley, arr. Mark Himmelman **Knox ReBeLL Ringers**

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God speaks and calls all things into being.

All: We listen for God’s creative and transforming word.

One: In speaking words of encouragement, peace, kindness, and love,
we create new realities and opportunities.

All: Thanks be to God whose word is close to us.

HYMN Make a Joyful Noise VU 820

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OPENING PRAYER

Holy God and Creator, we give you thanks for Mother Earth and our one home. Grant us grace and wisdom that we may live in peace and care for one another, in Jesus' name, Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray:

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1: 1-31

The Beginning

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

³ And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴ God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—**the first day.**

⁶ And God said, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." ⁷ So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. ⁸ God called the vault "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning—**the second day.**

⁹ And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good.

¹¹ Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so. ¹² The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening, and there was morning—**the third day.**

¹⁴ And God said, "Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶ God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth, ¹⁸ to govern the day

and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good.¹⁹ And there was evening, and there was morning—**the fourth day.**

²⁰ And God said, “Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky.” ²¹ So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth.” ²³ And there was evening, and there was morning—**the fifth day.**

²⁴ And God said, “Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind.” And it was so. ²⁵ God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals,^{26a} and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

²⁷ So God created humankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”

²⁹ Then God said, “I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. ³⁰ And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.” And it was so.

³¹ God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—**the sixth day.**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. THANKS BE TO GOD.

REFLECTION

One Home

Rev. Tom Melvin

HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God

VU 236

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (see purple sheet)

CANDLELIGHTING / OFFERING

You are invited to light a candle at the front of the Sanctuary. Candles are lit as a symbol of remembrance, celebration, gratitude, prayer. Please take this opportunity to make an offering online or in person at the candle table. Your financial support makes a huge difference in the future of Knox.

Music: In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful **music and words: Taizé Community**
Knox Choir, with William Gaskarth, recorder

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CLOSING HYMN Let All Things Now Living VU 242

THE BLESSING

POSTLUDE Nun Danket Alle Gott Karg-Elert

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***Thank you for spending time in community worship at Knox United Church, Calgary.
May you feel God's peace, care, energy, and blessing
within you and around you this coming week.***

Please stay for coffee, tea, and conversation!

Thank You to Knox staff & volunteers:

Sue Forsyth (office administrator)
Jampa Tseten (caretaker)
Chellan Hoffman (director of music)
Steve Miller (IT support)
Roman Sizer (communications;
social media; IT support)

Gerald Love (greeter & usher)
Bob Benner (sanctuary preparation)
Carey Barrett (video operator)
Tenzin Tseten (sound operator)
Murray, Vi, Chuck (coffee crew)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Social Media – *BIG CHANGES HERE ...*

Check out our **refreshed website** at www.kxcalgary.com

Due to some unforeseeable issues, we have had to abandon our current Facebook page and have needed to create a new one. Please sign up, like, and share our new site with all your family and friends.

Follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/KnoxYYC>

Due to some unforeseeable issues, we have had to abandon our current Instagram page and have needed to create a new one. Please sign up and share our new site with all your family and friends.

Follow us on Instagram at <https://instagram.com/knoxunitedcalgary>

Please follow us on Twitter at www.twitter.com/@KnoxYYC. Twitter has not changed.

Knox Town Hall Forums

Stewardship/Finance Working Group – Sunday, October 16 @11:45 am in the Board Room on the 2nd floor. This is a regular (3rd Sunday of the month) meeting. We will review the Stewardship package, set the date/time for envelope stuffing of the package, and discuss the household mailing list. It will be a short but important meeting. Thanks for your continuing support of Knox United Church.

Finance & Stewardship Program - Sunday, October 23, 11:45 am - Pick up your coffee and meet in the Labyrinth to finalize details for the Stewardship Program.

Town Hall Forum – Sunday October 30, 11:45 am in the Sanctuary.

Congregational Meeting – Sunday November 27, @ 11:45 am in the Sanctuary

Knox Appreciation/Homecoming Luncheon - Sunday, November 20th @ 11:45 in the Parlour.

This Appreciation Luncheon is a way to thank you for your Knox support, a homecoming event to reconnect with Knox Friends, a fun way to enjoy special Choir music, and to join in celebrating the grand total of Pledges raised for *Knox: Singing a New Song* - our Fall Stewardship Program. Stay tuned for ticket purchase information.

Chuck Curry is temporarily out of the country, but Sue and the luncheon team need your help. Sign up with Sue today to be a "Luncheon Volunteer."

The Knox Community

Friday, October 28, @ 8:00 pm – Knox & RCCO Calgary co-present their annual Halloween event:

Great **H**alloween **O**rgan **S**pook **T**acular

Featuring the original 1925 Silent Movie - "Phantom of the Opera"

– organist Ed Norman from Galliano Island, BC –

Calgary Carol Festival 2022 – Nightly @ 7:00 pm from Friday, November 25 to Monday, November 28.

Knox is once again hosting this exciting celebration of magical carols and choirs! This not-to-be-missed event will expand to four days this year. Admission is by donation to the Calgary Food Bank.

Did you Know?

Room Bookings – If you are planning a meeting to be on-site at Knox, please pre-book the room by emailing the office at office@kxcalgary.com before formalizing your plans to ensure the room is available and we have staff on site to let you in.

Sunday Announcements – To assist us in getting all your exciting news and events in the announcements, please follow the simple steps below:

If you have something you would like included in the Sunday Announcements,

- please send it to office@kxcalgary.com.
- Please include Sunday Announcement in the subject line.
- Please have it to the office no later than 9 am Thursday.
- Please do not include it the body of another email as it will get lost.

Knox Newsletter – The October newsletter is out! Look for it in your email or snail mail. Please contact Sue in the office if you didn't receive a copy. There are some printed copies available in the back by the coffee area.

Bottle Recycling – Did you know we have a bottle recycling program? Bottles are collected and exchanged for cash. So far this year we have raised over \$400. Please help to keep Knox's lights shining bright - bring in your bottles and put them in the bin outside the office.