To those who feel the need of light; to those who find doubts and fears in their hearts;
to those who need courage for their daily tasks; to those who feel lonely and friendless;
to those who wish to give service; to all who, in faith, will support and involve themselves
to the limit of their ability in the work of the Kingdom of God which this church undertakes;
to all who want rest, peace, and happiness — this church invites you to the fellowship of Jesus.
KNOLLWOOD AT WORSHIP

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Please silence all electronic devices. Thank you!

PRELUDE

The Gift of Love...............................................................................................................arr. Edward Broughton
Lauren Winkelman, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP...........................................................................................................Lucrecia Norman

Sing to our God a new song.
God has done marvelous things!
Make a joyful noise to the Lord!
Break forth into a joyous song and sing praises.
Let the sea roar and all that fills it.
Let the world and its people sing together for joy. ~Psalm 98:1-8

*PROCESIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 45

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing.................................................................................NETTLETON

Stanza 1, Children’s Choir
Stanza 2, All

Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it, mount of God’s unchanging love!

O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here’s my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

PRAYER OF THE DAY .........................................................................................................Lucrecia Norman

Loving God, help us to love others as Christ has loved us. Bring us into the spiritual joy of living
our lives as your friend, and teach us to abide in your love, that we may show that love to the
world. Amen.

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

FIRST LESSON: Acts 10:44-48...............................................................................................Ted Philpott
This is the word of God.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON: 1 John 5:1-6.............................................................................................Bill Johnson
This is the word of God. Deacon of the Week
Thanks be to God.

* Those who are able will stand.
*HYMN OF THE DAY, NO. 593

The Gift of Love .......................................................... GIFT OF LOVE

Stanza 1, Children’s Choir

Stanza 2, All

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain;
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.

*GOSPEL LESSON: John 15:9-17 ............................................ Josh Godwin

We rise in body or in spirit for the reading of the Gospel lesson.

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

*HYMN OF THE DAY

Will You Come and Follow Me ........................................ KELVINGROVE

Stanza 1, Children’s Choir

Stanza 2, All

“Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.

Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.

Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.”

SERMON ................................................................. Bob Setzer, Jr.

FRIENDS OF JESUS
RESPONDING IN FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE.................................................................Katharine Martin
Leader: God, in your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer.

CONFESSION OF SIN..............................................................................Katharine Martin
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

~Book of Common Prayer

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION.......................................................Bob Setzer, Jr.
Sursum Corda
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts!
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise!

Words of Institution
Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
for thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and the Cup
All wafers are gluten-free.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING...................................................................Bill Johnson

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to come forward and the pastor will greet you. If you prefer not to come forward, you may speak to one of the ministers after the service. As an open membership church, we honor your previous baptism in any other Christian community. If you have not made a confession of faith, we invite you to do so and receive Christian baptism. Church members are invited to commit themselves anew to God and to God’s service in the world.
**HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP, NO. 708**

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*................................................................................................................................. DENNIS

![Musical notation]

**DEPARTING TO SERVE**

*BENEDICTION* .................................................................................................................................................................................. Bob Setzer, Jr.

*POSTLUDE*  

Postlude on Hymn to Joy ......................................................................................................................................................... Gordon Young

Lauren Winkelman, organ

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**WORSHIPPING SAFELY**

Please remain fully masked throughout our indoor service as we follow the guidance of our Medical Advisory Team. Our masks provide an extra layer of protection for anyone who has not yet been vaccinated, especially our children.

**RECEIVING COMMUNION TODAY**

Communion today will be served at the rail. Please come as individuals, or families, or as friendship circles, but do maintain social distance between yourself and others not in your safety bubble. The bread and juice will both be served in cups. Masks need only be lifted at the time of serving, not removed.

For those who prefer to receive Communion in the pew, sealed Communion kits are available in the narthex. Please take the elements at your pew during the serving at the rail. All wafers are gluten-free.

**KEEPING THE EASTER FLAME ALIVE!**

Did you know that Easter is also a season? It’s known as “the Great Fifty Days.” While Easter Day is certainly the pinnacle day of the Christian Year for almost all Christians, we have an entire season of Easter to celebrate and explore the ramifications of Easter for the redemption of all creation.

An important and beloved tradition in Advent is the lighting of the Advent Candles each week of Advent, and then we light the Christ Candle on Christmas Eve. You will recall that we keep those candles lit throughout the Christmas Season as we continue to celebrate the light that came into the world in Christ.
This year at Easter, we lit a candle known as the Easter Candle, or Paschal Candle, to remind us of the new life and light that Christ’s resurrection offers all people! Just as in Advent and Christmas, we light the Easter Candle each week of the Great Fifty Days of Easter to remind ourselves that the light continues to shine in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it! (John 1)

TO OUR GUESTS
To learn more about Knollwood Baptist Church, find us online at www.knollwood.org. You can also receive our newsletter and email announcements by signing up here, or by emailing colleen@knollwood.org.

KBC WELCOMING STATEMENT
Knollwood Baptist Church is an inviting, inclusive family of faith open to all persons, whatever their race, gender, socioeconomic status, special needs, or sexual orientation, who want to walk in the way of Jesus.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP
The acolyte is Rebecca Maner and the crucifer is Virginia Starling. Printed music used by permission of OneLicense.net #A-735691.

HEARING DEVICES
Hearing devices are available to those who need one. Please see an usher for assistance.

FLOWERS
The flowers in the sanctuary are given with special love in memory of Frances Barrier, Gene’s mother, and with special love in memory of Marjorie Wilson Gardner, Ellen’s mother, by Gene, Ellen, Thomas, Tiffany, Ava, Tommy, Gardner, Livy, and Maya.

ABOUT OUR BANNERS
The Easter banner views Jesus’ resurrection from the inside of the tomb looking out. The grave clothes reflect the note in John 20:7 that the burial linens were left in the tomb with the head wrapping separate from the rest. The contrasting darkness within the tomb and the brightness outside point to the light of God’s new day breaking upon a “new creation” (2 Corinthians 5:17). As Jesus exits the tomb, clothed in a loin cloth, he is about to surprise Mary with the realization, “The Lord is risen! The Lord is risen indeed!” (John 20:18). The artist who painted the banner is our own Bambi Setzer.

LIVE-STREAMING ONLINE
Our Sunday Worship Service live-streams at 10:45 AM. The service will remain on our website each week following the live-stream through Wednesday, and on https://www.knollwood.org/live.

WORSHIP RESERVATIONS ARE OPEN TO ALL
Worship reservations are open to all on a first-come, first-served basis. One can register for worship by going to knollwood.org and clicking on the link in the banner at the top of the page. It is a great help for those who can to register directly, but please call the church office if you need assistance.

Wait List
Those unable to get a reservation for the coming Sunday are put on a Wait List. On Sunday afternoon, an email is sent to those on the Wait List so they can register early before general reservations open on Monday morning at knollwood.org.

Friendship Circles
So that “Sunday singles” don’t have to sit alone in worship, “friendship circles” are now allowed. “Friendship circles” refer to small groups, preferably of vaccinated individuals, who choose to sit
together in worship. Masks are required. Friends wishing to sit together need to note that on their reservation.

Worship Number Cap
As of this Sunday, Mother’s Day, May 9, our worship cap is 150 participants. Under the guidance of our Med-Team and Re•Gathering Team, we’ll gradually raise that cap until we reach the safe maximum of socially distant worshipers our sanctuary can accommodate.

WCC WALKING TRACK NOW OPEN BY RESERVATION
The WCC Walking Track is now open to Knollwood members and friends during office hours on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Individuals or small groups are welcome. So that a safe distance can be maintained, no more than six people are allowed on the track at a time. Masks are required. To sign up for a slot, please use the online registration at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f49aeaa29abf2-kbcwalking. If you have trouble with the online registration, please contact the church office by phone, 336-725-1343, or josh@knollwood.org.

NEW TASK FORCE APPOINTED TO OVERSEE REOPENING
The Deacon Executive Committee (DEC) and the deacons have approved the Re•Gathering 2021 Task Force to help the staff navigate the many challenges of gradually reopening our campus. This team, chaired by Deacon Vice-Chair, Carol Danforth, will work closely with our Medical Advisory Team to ensure that in-person offerings at KBC are done safely.

The Re•Gathering 2021 task force will focus first on implementing plans to resume in-person worship. Access the link to read the charter of the Re•Gathering 2021 Task Force, as well as its members. http://content.knollwood.org/2021_Documents/21Re-Gather.pdf.

WEDNESDAYS WITH KNOLLWOOD ONLINE
6:00 PM: A Time of Prayer led by Dr. Bob will be posted on the Knollwood Baptist Church Facebook Page, https://tinyurl.com/23d8rrem. One does not need a Facebook account to view these posts online.

WEDNESDAY FAITH FORMATION
May 12, 7:00 PM - Health Equity in Our City: Complex Problems and Simple Solutions - on Zoom
The Unity Wellness Center of Winston-Salem is a community-driven initiative that values mental health, holistic wellness, health equity, and compassionate care. Co-founders Sara Hines and Lindsay Peral will be sharing recent data about existing health disparities in Winston-Salem. This important presentation will explore how our city fares in terms of health equity, and how we can work together to reverse our worsening local disparities. Contact katharine@knollwood.org for more information.

May 19, 6:15 - 7:00 PM, KBC Open Mic: What’s Emerging? -in the Memorial Garden
Please register here: https://tinyurl.com/s7u7m2x4
Calling KBC writers, musicians, and artists… Do you have a word to speak, a song to sing, or art to show about what is emerging from your experience of this pandemic time? What are you noticing and learning? What is taking shape, or being revealed, in your life, in your faith, and in our world? Come share your creative writing, storytelling, visual art, or music on this last Wednesday evening program of the spring. Or come listen and enjoy!

We will wear masks, except when at the mic, and practice social distancing.
Contact katharine@knollwood.org for more information.
GIVING AT KBC
Giving online allows one to make a one-time donation or to schedule recurring contributions. Click here to get started: www.knollwood.org/giving. Contributions can also be made by sending a check to the church office.

MINISTER ON CALL
The Knollwood Minister On Call can be reached 24/7 at 336-283-5067.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Friday, 9 AM-5 PM, The office is not open to the public, but is partially staffed at this time. Call to check staff availability for dropping off and picking up items, 336-725-1343.