



Knollwood

at Worship

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, October 29, 2023 • 10:45 AM

In-Person and Live-Stream

*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!

CHIMES

Three chimes are sounded, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, centering us in the embrace of the Spirit. As we gather, we present ourselves “as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship” (Romans 12:1)

PRELUDE

*Presto from “Partita on ST. ANNE”Paul Manz
Linda Denney, organ*

CALL TO WORSHIP Sara Smith

On this first day of the week, let us gather to worship,
So our presence here will say to God: First Things First.
Let our hearts and minds now be focused on God alone,
So our attention here will say to God: First Things First.
Let us rejoice in all the good things God has given to us,
So our gratitude here will say to God: First Things First.
Now may all that we are, all that we say, and all that we do
Say to God: We give ourselves first to You.

~Mary Hix

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 687

*Our God, Our Help in Ages PastST. ANNE
David Winkelman, hymn leader*

PRAYER OF THE DAY Sara Smith

Mighty Deliverer, who rescued your people out of slavery and brought them to a land flowing with milk and honey, remind us how abundant and full our lives are. Deliver us from any bondage we have to wealth or comfort or ease so we might love You and our neighbors fully. In the name of the One who first loved and delivered us, Amen.

~Mary Hix

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Bob Setzer, Jr.

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

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* Those who are able will stand.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Deuteronomy 26:1-3, 8-11 Katharine Martin

This is the word of God.

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 2 Corinthians 8:1-7..... Rachel Stinehelfer

This is the word of God.

Deacon of the Week

Thanks be to God.

*HYMN OF THE DAY, NO. 693

Though I May Speak *GIFT OF LOVE*

*GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 22:34-40 Sara Smith

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

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME Katharine Martin

Children who are in kindergarten through third grade
are invited to meet the Children's Worship leaders in the narthex.
Worship Care for infants through 4-year-olds is offered weekly.

SERMON Bob Setzer, Jr.

RIGHTLY ORDERING YOUR LIFE: "FIRST THINGS FIRST"

RESPONDING IN FAITH

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

If you desire membership in this congregation, you are invited to come forward and the pastor will greet you. Or if you prefer, 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 by being baptized. Church members are invited to commit themselves anew to God and to God's service in the world.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE, NO. 697

Take My Life *HENDON*

PASTORAL GREETING Bob Setzer, Jr.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER.....Evan Sieges

**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.**

INVITATION TO GIVING

In response to the bounty of God's blessings to us, we joyfully offer our gifts as we are able and dedicate them to the glory of God. Ushers will receive monetary gifts as our musicians offer the anthem.

Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads found on the end of each pew. If you are a guest, and wish to know more about Knollwood, please indicate that on the pad. Thank you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Be Thou My Vision *Bob Chilcott*

Joshua Jones, tenor; Lauren Winkelman, piano

*Be thou my vision, O Lod of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.*

*Be thou and thou only the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art;
Great heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Rachel Stinehelfer

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

DEPARTING TO SERVE

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

*POSTLUDE

Processional in A-flat Major.....David N. Johnson

Linda Denney, organ



TO OUR GUESTS

To learn more about Knollwood Baptist Church, find us online at www.knollwood.org. Sign up to receive our email announcements through www.tinyurl.com/KBCinfo or by emailing Connie Kirkman at frontdesk@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.

FOR OUR CHILDREN

Children's worship pages and worship bags with activities are available in the narthex for children. In the bags are also suggestions and guidance for adults to engage with their children in worship. There is space in the parlor off the narthex for families who may need to step away at any point during the service.

Worship Care is provided for children, infants through 4-year-olds, on the first floor of Building B. Children's Worship is offered for kindergarten through third grade on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month.

Children meet their leaders in the narthex where indicated in the worship order to walk together to Children's Worship (B244). After the worship service, parents pick up their children from B244. For the 2nd and 4th Sundays, children are invited to enjoy the worship service with their families.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

The acolyte is Elise Engler and the crucifer is Gwen Engler.

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HEARING DEVICES

Hearing devices are available to those who need one. Please see an usher for assistance. For cellphone linked devices, KBC guest Wi-Fi can be accessed at kbcguest in your settings.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Tom Elmore by his wife, Ruby.

ABOUT OUR BANNERS

"The way" is a familiar biblical theme encompassing such truths as "the way of the Lord" (Isaiah 40:3), Jesus as "the way" (John 14:6), and "the way" as a description of Christian discipleship (Acts 9:2). The words on the banner point to the movements of faith: Longing for God that impels us forward in the spiritual journey; Learning the way of the Scriptures and the way of Jesus; Loving as our love for God and our neighbors deepens; and Living as we live out of Christian faith and witness in the world.

The colors of the banner emphasize green for "ordinary time," the period in the church year between Pentecost and Advent. The artist who designed and painted the banners is our own Bambi Setzer.

GET INVOLVED WITH KBC MISSIONS

To learn more about Knollwood's mission partners, their needs, and how you can help, email knollwoodmissions@gmail.com. You can also find out more at www.knollwood.org/missions-service.

STEWARDSHIP: PUTTING FIRST THINGS FIRST AT KNOLLWOOD

Commitment Sunday is **Nov. 12**. The Stewardship Committee asks all KBC members to prayerfully consider the messages of our *First Things First* campaign and bring your estimate-of-giving card with you on Nov. 12. Cards and envelopes have been mailed to all members, and they are also available in the narthex and in the church office.

If you cannot be present on Nov. 12, please return your card by mail or in person to the church office by Nov. 30. Also feel free to email your estimate of giving to our church administrator, Robin Spainhour, at robin@knollwood.org. All giving commitments are kept confidential.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMS, NOV. 1 AND NOV. 8

The Enneagram: Understanding Ourselves and Others — Melanie Wilkinson

Over the next two weeks we will learn about the Enneagram, a helpful system of personality typing. A panel of nine individuals will share the different ways they view the world through the lens of the Enneagram. We will explore how our motivations can impact how we relate to others, and how self-knowledge can guide us toward a more compassionate life.

2023 FAMILY RETREAT: FAITH THAT CAN MOVE MOUNTAINS

Saturday, Nov. 4, 9:30 AM-4:30 PM, KBC Campus

This year's family retreat is for all kbc.kids and kbc.youth and their families. Matthew 17:20 says, "Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." Drawing from that famous parable, we'll explore together what it means to have faith in Jesus and how that faith impacts the world around us.

It's ideal if your family can attend the entire retreat. Part of what makes a retreat special is extended time spent together, away from the other demands of our daily lives. But if you have a conflict that you cannot work around, we'd rather have you for part of the day than none of it.

Find more details and register at www.tinyurl.com/KBCFamilyRetreat23.

MONTHLY BOOK DISCUSSION FOR PARENTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE

Sundays, 5:45-6:45 PM, Chapel

Join us once a month on Sunday evenings to discuss *Growing With: Every Parent's Guide to Helping Teenagers and Young Adults Thrive in Their Faith, Family, and Future* by Kara Powell and Steve Argue. For more information on the book, visit growingwithbook.com. Corinne Causby and Ben Heinsohn are facilitators.

We'll gather on the following 2023-24 dates: **Nov. 5, Dec. 3, Jan. 21, Feb. 11, March 24, April 21, and May 19**. Participants will need to acquire their own book copies. A limited number of copies are available for \$10 at the church office. Cash, check, or credit card are accepted. Register at www.tinyurl.com/KBCGrowingWith.

ARTS & HEARTS CLASS: HAND-BUILDING WITH THE HOLY FAMILY

Monday, Nov. 6, 6-8 PM AND Monday, Nov. 13, 6-8 PM

These two classes will provide a spiritual, visual arts-based experience for adults during Advent by using clay to construct figures of the Holy Family. Participants will use slabs of clay to construct a figure of Mary, Joseph, and Jesus. Several figures can be built: one for participants, and the others can be given as Christmas gifts to church members who are homebound. No prior experience with clay is necessary.

Classes are limited to 15 participants and will be led by Pam Boehme and Rodney Stilwell. *Participants will need to attend both classes*. Register at www.tinyurl.com/KBCHolyFamilyClass23.

NOVEMBER FAITH IN THE CITY: INSIDE THE DEBATE OVER BOOKS AND CENSORSHIP

Tuesday, Nov. 7, noon-1 PM, WCC Community Room

How does the ongoing debate about books and censorship in school curricula affect those whose jobs entail making those decisions, as well as students themselves? What other organizations in the community are also affected? Join us as our panel discusses these important issues: Karen Meier, Director of Library Media Services, WS/FC Schools; Dr. Effie McMillian, Chief Equity Officer, WS/FC Schools; and Jamie Southern, Executive Director, Bookmarks.

Faith in the City meets in-person at Knollwood Baptist Church, with a Zoom option available. For further information, contact faithinthecitykbc@gmail.com. Zoom link: www.tinyurl.com/FITCNov23

WHEN WE GATHER TOGETHER: AN EVENING OF GRATITUDE WITH DENISE KIERNAN

Tuesday, Nov. 7, 7 PM, Calvary Moravian Church

How does gratitude shape our lives, and how can it unite us even in the darkest of times? Bookmarks invites you to engage more deeply with rituals and practices of gratitude this Thanksgiving season with Denise Kiernan, author of *We Gather Together: A Nation Divided, a President in Turmoil, and a Historic Campaign to Embrace Gratitude and Grace*, *We Gather Together: Stories of Thanksgiving From Then to Now (Young Readers edition)*, and a picture book for children, *Giving Thanks: How Thanksgiving Became a National Holiday*.

This event is the first of a two-part Bookmarks Community series, *When We Gather Together*, and is supported by Calvary Moravian, Green Street United Methodist, and Knollwood Baptist churches. Admission is free. Attendees will receive a gratitude activity kit for all ages to take home.

For more information and to register, visit www.bookmarksnc.org/WhenWeGatherTogether. If you are interested in carpooling from Knollwood, email Katharine Martin at katharine@knollwood.org.

ARTS & HEARTS CLASS: “CAN YOU HEAR ME YET?”: A SPIRITUAL PRACTICE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP WITH MELANIE WILKINSON

Thursday, Nov. 16, 2-4 PM

In this small group experience, we will explore how we can use our smartphone and iPad cameras to discover creative ways to nurture our relationship with God. Each participant in this adults-only workshop should bring a smartphone or an iPad to capture images. Class size: Minimum of 5, maximum of 14.

Register at www.tinyurl.com/KBCPhotoClass23.

TIME TO REGISTER FOR PASSPORTKIDS 2024

Passportkids camp is a well-loved tradition at Knollwood. It is a great way for children to grow deeper in their faith. Passportkids is only open to children who have completed third through fifth grade at the time of camp. For more information, visit passportcamps.org/location/montreat.

We are planning to attend Passportkids at Montreat Conference Center June 30-July 3, 2024. Knollwood subsidizes the cost of camp for our children and pays for all required adult chaperones, but we need to register our group soon. Total cost will be \$325 per child.

Email sara@knollwood.org with any questions. To register, visit www.tinyurl.com/KBCPassportKids24.

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday, 9 AM-5 PM, and Friday, 9 AM-1 PM.

MINISTER ON CALL:

The Knollwood Minister on Call can be reached 24/7 at 336-283-5067.

Pastor

Minister of Music and Worship

Music Ministry Associate and Organist

Minister of Adult Faith Formation and Education

Interim Minister to Youth

Interim Minister to Children and Families

Minister to Weekday School and Retirees

Director of Children and Family Ministry

In Memoriam

Dr. Bob Setzer, Jr.

Rozanna Goocey
(on parental leave)

Doug Vancil

Rev. Katharine Martin

Rev. Evan Sieges

Rev. Sara Smith

Rev. Lucrecia Norman

Chrissy Hardy

(April 30, 1981–June 20, 2023)



KNOLLWOOD

BAPTIST CHURCH

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