



낙스빌 한인 교회

Korean Church of Knoxville (PCUSA)

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## Korean Church of Knoxville Information

Korean Church of Knoxville (KCK) was established with a small number of families in 1978 and now it is the largest Korean community church in the Knoxville area. In 2018, our church celebrated 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Our church still has a small “family” atmosphere where every brothers and sisters know every congregation by their first name. Many of our leaders are gifted in caring, hospitality, evangelism, teaching, and leadership, and they all are willingly and cheerfully served our Lord and our church through sacrifice and offering their gifts and talents.

Our church missional goal for 2019 is Missional Church, Missional Living (Mathew 5:16) where we reach out to the local community and to the world to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. We have a great mission to serve in various areas, especially in Knoxville community.

Our church denomination is Presbyterian Church (USA), Synod of living Waters and affiliated with a local Presbytery of East Tennessee and the average KCK attendances are as follows:

- Korean Worship Service ~ 120
- English Worship Service ~ 10~15 Young Adults and College (varies through the years)
- Youth Group Service: ~15-20
- Children Worship Service ~ 30 (K to 5<sup>th</sup> grades)
- Toddlers and PreK ~ 15 to 20 (3yrs to PreK)

### **Brief Church Mission Statement:**

KCK is striving to build a unified Body of Christ, (1) by seeking to reach people through ministries that fill lives with Christ’s love, (2) then equipping them with the Word and Spirit of God, and (3) bringing every person committed to a maturity that magnifies God’s Glory.

As part of the redeemed body of Christ, KCK is focused on reaching out to the community in Knoxville and the greater East Tennessee area. Our church family is committed to joyfully glorify God by affirming the Lordship of Jesus Christ, growing together and supporting one another in love and unity, extending ministries to those who are in hardships, caring for the weak, and contributing the beauty and uniqueness of our culture to the diversity of God’s Church.

We want KCK to be a church where:

- Every person attending KCK is connected and rooted in an authentic community where the grace and truth of Jesus Christ are fully manifested.
- Every member of KCK personally and actively responds to God's Great Commission both in frontier missions and local/personal outreach.
- Every ministry of KCK is driven by purpose, led by lay leaders, and supported by church members.
- Every resource (both financial and people) of KCK is managed with faithful stewardship to fulfill God's purposes in the world.
- Every second generation Asian-American and English speaking congregation members have an opportunity to worship and praise God.

### **Brief Description of English Ministry Programs:**

KCK holds two main services each Sunday, a Korean-language worship service at 10am, an English-language worship service at noon. The youth and the children ministries have their own worship service and follow by bible studies during the Korean worship time.

The English Worship Service (EWS) celebrated 11th anniversary this past January and it has been a wonderful faith journey for the EM leadership team. At first, the EWS was launched to target the second generation Korean-Americans and college students and now we are serving multi-ethnic congregation members.

The Youth group begins their Sunday morning with the praise and message time and then they break into a small bible study group (middle and high school). Once a month, the youth participates in the teachers-students fellowship activities where they get to know one and other very intimately. The following are some of the ongoing youth events: volunteering at the Second Harvest and Knox Area Rescue Ministries, attending Crosspoint Retreat, participating in camping, bowling, and ski trips, etc.

The children's ministry hosts either summer vacation bible school or camp program. The summer program serves the children at our church and reaches out to children, parents, and families in the community. In addition, a special joint Easter and Christmas services are held where children, youth join with KM and EM congregations.

Below are list of ongoing KCK meetings and events.

#### Worship services and bible study meetings:

- Sunday worship service in Korean
- Sunday worship service in English
- Wednesday evening Korean praise gathering
- Saturday morning prayer meeting
- Various meetings, gathering & fellowship including luncheon every Sundays

#### Small Bible Cluster Group:

- 14 clusters/small groups (including EM Wonder and BASIC clusters)
- Bi-weekly or monthly bible study and fellowship meetings at members' home or at the church

Major church events year around:

- Mission & Education fund campaign (February)
- Mission & Education special prayer service (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in February)
- Easter special program by youth and elementary groups (March/April)
- Good Friday Service (March/April)
- Easter celebration including a special music program (on Easter Sunday)
- Bible verse memorization contest (after Easter)
- Small group retreats (spring & fall)
- VBS or Summer Program(June or July)
- Youth retreat and/or camp (summer)
- BASIC retreat (beginning of Fall semester)
- Revivals (early fall)
- Thanksgiving praise festival (Thanksgiving Sunday)
- Christmas special program by youth and children ministry (December)
- Candle light worship service on Christmas Eve
- Christmas celebration including a special music program (on Christmas Sunday)
- New Year's Eve worship service