This Week in the Life and Work of our Church

KINCARDINE UNITED CHURCH

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The Congregation of Kincardine United Church seeks to foster a journey of spiritual growth through hospitality, service, fellowship and study, and, in community, to build up the ministry of every person and together experience God's abundant love and grace.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Choir – Thurs. 2-3 in the Sanctuary and every Sun. 9:45 a.m. in the Choir room K.U.C.I.E. – Tuesdays 7-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary

EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*
Stew/Soup Potluck Lunch	Feb. 17 th , after service	F. Hall
Lighthouse Unit	Feb. 18th, arrive between 5:30-6 p.m.	Bruce Inn
Membership & Mission	Feb. 19 th , 7 p.m.	TBA
Rental form task force	Feb. 21 st , 7 p.m.	Choir room
Stewardship event	Feb. 23 rd , 9:30 a.m.	F. Hall
Taizé service	Feb. 24 th , 7 p.m.	Sanctuary
Property ministry	Feb. 26 th , 9 a.m.	Res. room
Administration	Feb. 26 th , 10 a.m. – noon	Res. room
Dory Lunch	Feb. 26 th , 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	F. hall/kitchen
Craft, Coffee & Conversation	Feb. 26 th , 1:30 p.m.	Res. Room
Council	Mar. 5 th , 7-9 p.m.	Kitchen
Lenten Bible study	Mar. 5 th , 10:30 a.m noon	Choir Room
	or Mar. 7 th , 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	
(*F. Hall = Fellowship Hall, Res. Room = Resource room)		



SERVICE OF PRAYERS WITH THE MUSIC OF TAIZE

Join us on **Sunday**, **February 24**th **at 7:00 p.m.** for a deeply contemplative worship service featuring the music of Taize, France. This service incorporates sung chants with a variety of musical accompaniment interwoven with reverent silence that leads worshippers into a restorative inner space. Come and discover the light of Christ within.



STEWARDSHIP EVENT

For Administration & Trustees – the stewardship event with Dave Jager is on Feb. 23rd in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m. Please RSVP to gord.kuc@bmts.com if you haven't done so.

Sympathy

Guthrie Cavers passed away peacefully on Tuesday, February 12th, 2019 at the age of 80 at the Wingham & District Hospital. A funeral took place Saturday, February 16th at the Davey Linklater Funeral Home. Please keep Barbara, David, Cathy and Doug in your thoughts and prayers.



Please keep Joyce Farrell in your thoughts and prayers on the sudden death of her of her grandson, Troy Snobelen, on February 6th. A private funeral took place and a casual Come-and-Go Celebration of Troy's life took place on Feb. 9th in Lucknow. *Blessed are the that mourn, for they shall be comforted.* (Matthew 5:4)

GORD'S ON HOLIDAY

What? Again? Already? Yup! Gord is on holiday from Monday, February 4th to Monday, February 19th inclusive. While he is adjusting to seeing without cataracts (and waiting for new glasses), if you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Kerry Stover at 1-519-854-0469. Thank you.



PROGRAMME CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEB. 24th 10:30 AM 7th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Worship: Gord Dunbar

Meditation: "There's a Hole in My Bucket"

7:00 PM PRAYER SERVICE WITH MUSIC OF TAIZÉ

SUNDAY, MAR. 3rd 10:30 AM TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

Worship: Kerry Stover

Meditation: "A Starting Point"

6:30 PM YOUTH SERVICE Theme: God Loves You for You

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 6th 7:00 PM ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Worship: Kerry & Gord

SUNDAY, MAR. 10th 10:30 AM 1st SUNDAY OF LENT

LIGHTHOUSE UNIT FEBRUARY MEETING



DATE: FEBRUARY 18, 2019 LOCATION: THE BRUCE INN

TIME: ARRIVE BETWEEN 5:30 AND 6:00

Members are encouraged to bring a guest. Please let Liz Dillman know if you will be coming

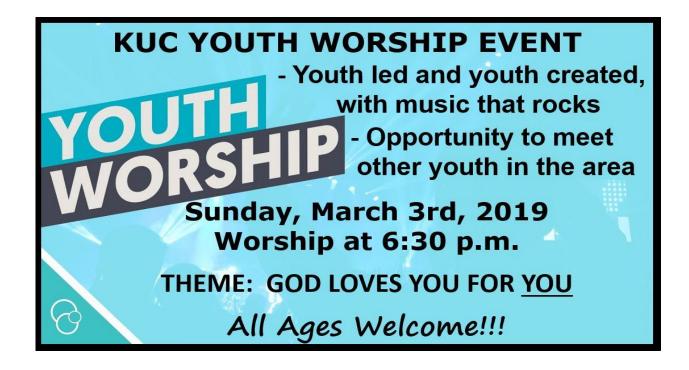
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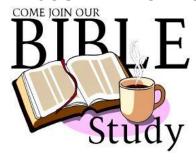
Sometimes there are babies and small children with us on Sunday mornings. Every effort is made to ensure that someone is present to welcome them to their special place, the nursery, whenever they do attend. A sign-up sheet is attached to the door of the nursery.

Please consider signing up to

spend some pleasant time there with these delightful little people, the youngest members of our congregation. Thank you!



"A JOURNEY TO EASTER" LENTEN BIBLE STUDY WITH KERRY



Using the Revised Common Lectionary; this bible study will explore the connection between the suggested readings for each Sunday in the Lenten season and what Gord and Kerry have chosen for the Sunday message. Two sessions (the same lectionary is discussed at two different times in the week). Tuesday mornings (March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9) from 10:30 a.m. to noon

or Thursday evening (March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11) from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Both groups will meet in the choir room. No fee. Light snacks, coffee and tea will be provided. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall or speak to Kerry. Kerry would like to know how many booklets of the RCL to prepare for those attending.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2019



The Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada (WICC) is a national ecumenical Christian organization and home of the World Day of Prayer in Canada. WICC'S mission is to empower Christians to pursue justice, peace and reconciliation by standing together in prayer and action. World Day of Prayer amplifies the voices of women, their experiences and their concerns.

This year, the program was written by women in Slovenia, one of the smallest countries in Europe. The theme, "Come-Everything is ready!" is grounded in the parable that Jesus told about a great dinner which was attended by the ones called off the streets, as the ones invited excused themselves.

Throughout the worship service there will be stories reflecting the political and economic situation in Slovenia. The stories are the voices of the refugee and migrant workers, the mothers, the grandmothers, the wives and the Roma people.

The World Day of Prayer will be held at

St. Anthony's Catholic Church on Friday March 1st at 2 p.m.

Also participating are Knox Presbyterian Church, Anglican Church of the Messiah, Harbour Church, Kincardine Baptist Church and Kincardine United Church. Everyone is welcome.

GROWING OUR WELCOME



We already have an open marriage policy which welcomes everyone regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. We continue to explore how to expand our welcome into our community by enhancing Kincardine United Church as a safe place for diversity. If you are interested in being part of the team which explores the Affirming Programme in the United Church through education, through advocacy and through witness, contact Liz Dillman at 519-396-5546.



CRAFTS, CONVERSATION & COFFEE



Come to the Resource room on the **last Tuesday of every month at 1:30 p.m.** for coffee in the resource room. We will gather together bringing our knitting, crocheting, embroidery, other craft or no craft at all and spend some time in good conversation.

TAX RECEIPTS UPDATE



The tax receipts have all been mailed out. John Phillips, our Envelope Steward is away for a few weeks and will address any issues when he gets back. kucesteward@bmts.com

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?



During Lent this year we will be welcoming those who wish to become members of Kincardine United Church. There are already three people interested, so if you wish to explore what that means, please give Gord Dunbar a call at 519-396-2391 extension 2. Join us on our continuing journey of faithful witness as part of the family.





March 23, 2019 9:30-2:30

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CARING FOR TH GRIEVING SOUL

A day for those grieving a loss

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CHARLEE ROY MARNIE McDonald Cox

Best Western Inn on the Bay

Please call 519-376-5895 ext 222 or email Jessica.slater@von.ca to register

WE LOVE GATHERING TO EAT! ... SO WE INVITE YOU TO HELP



Here is what we offer:

- A great way to get to know people and have fun together.
- Training provided.
- Job descriptions so you know what you are doing (see below), including written procedures available in the kitchen for reference.
- Sign-up sheets provided in the Fellowship Hall.

BEFORE CHURCH COFFEE - every Sunday

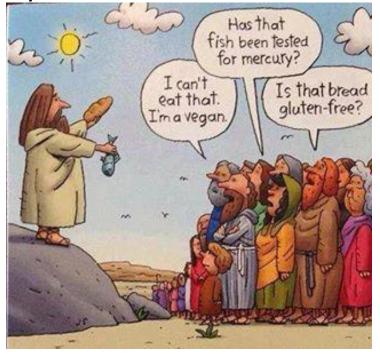
People are needed to prepare the coffee, hot water for tea, set out the cups, milk, tea, cream and sugar on the trolley and get it all upstairs for 10:00 am, return everything to the kitchen at some point during the service (preferably during a hymn so as not to interfere with the service and clean up the trolley. *Time commitment: one person about 25 minutes to get it all ready and about 10 minutes to clean up.*

LOAVES AND FISHES POTLUCK – second Monday of the month

On the second Monday of every month a potluck is held for all members of the congregation, friends, acquaintances and family to attend. Assistance is needed in setting up the tables, getting coffee etc ready and then cleaning up after. There are often people who came to the dinner who will stay and help with the clean up. *Time commitment: set up takes about one to one and half hours and clean up is about an hour depending on how many people help.*

SUNDAE SUNDAY — first Sunday of the month after Church

On the first Sunday of the month ice cream sundaes are served after Church. This is



fun event and easy to set up and clean up after. Set up includes putting out the "fixings", bowls, spoons, setting up coffee and tea and cleaning up after. *Time commitment: about the same amount of time as setting up for after-Church coffee.*

MONTHLY STEW/SOUP POTLUCK LUNCH – third Sunday of the Month

This new event the Membership and Mission committee is starting Sunday, February 17. This will be a simple potluck – stew and buns one month and soup and buns the next month. Setup will include putting out bowls and plates, silverware, preparing coffee and tea etc, putting out the stews/soups after Church and cleaning up. *Time commitment: one hour set-up and cleanup for 90 minutes maximum.*

Kincardine Community Singers
present the

Super Super

On their fortieth anniversary tour—Lydia Adams, conductor and artistic director



7:30pm, Thursday March 28, 2019

Knox Presbyterian Church 345 Durham Street, Kincardine



Admission: \$25:00

Tickets available at: Harbour Rose Boutique, 787 Queen Street, Kincardine

online at kincardinecommunitysingers.ca



BULLETIN, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GORD'S REFLECTION



Would you like to receive Kincardine's United Church weekly bulletin, announcements and Gord's reflection by email? It's easy to do. You can call the office and give Sarah your email address or you can email your request to kuchurch@bmts.com.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

FEBRUARY 17, 2019

IRIDESCE: THE LIVING APOLOGY PROJECT

Our gifts for Mission & Service support the work of Iridesce: The Living Apology Project. This project was created to encourage storytelling around the 1988 decisions to welcome gay, lesbian and bisexual people into full membership and ministry in the United Church—a welcome that was expanded to include people of all sexual orientations and gender identities in 2009.

Iridesce has brought stories of challenge, conflict, and lament to light. One participant wrote, "The battles of 1988 left behind one legacy that I think has not served us well, a legacy of fearfulness of conflict."

For many, of course, the decision was a celebration and continues to empower communities to draw the circle wide and wider still. "We are all stronger when given unapologetic, radical love," wrote Catherine.

Dani shared, "I am a trans non-binary person... I wasn't expecting to be so openly accepted, and it fills my heart to know that I can love God and be proud of my gender identity."

Morgan, who grew up in the post-1988 church, wrote, "It is my hope that the church will not simply take for granted its policy... that we will recognize how far we are from embodying that policy and how much farther we are from assimilating it into the earth-shattering welcome of the people of God."

We give thanks for the gifts of Iridesce: The Living Apology Project.

If Mission & Service giving is already a regular part of your life, thank you so much! If you have not given, please join me in making Mission & Service giving a regular part of your life of faith. Loving our neighbour is at the heart of our Mission & Service.