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 – meets Thursdays 2-3 p.m. in the Sanctuary and Sundays 9:45 in the Choir room K.U.C.I.E. – Tuesdays 7-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary

EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*
Friendsgiving Potluck	Feb. 23 rd , after worship	F. Hall
Taizé service	Feb. 23 rd , 7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Property	Feb. 25 th , 9 – 10 a.m.	Res. room
Dory Lunch	Feb. 25 th , 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	F. Hall
Craft, Coffee & Conversation	Feb. 25 th , 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Res. Room
Pancake Supper	Feb. 25 th , 5 – 7 p.m.	F. Hall
Youth Planning Meeting	Feb. 25 th , 7 – 9 p.m.	Choir room
Ash Wednesday service	Feb. 26 th , 7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Council	March 3 rd , 7-9 p.m.	Kitchen
World Day of Prayer service	March 6 th , 2:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Loaves & Fishes Potluck	March 9 th , doors open 5:30 p.m.	F. Hall
UCW Sunshine unit	March 11 th , 1 – 3 p.m.	Choir room
Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy		Kitchen
	March 11 th , 7 - 8:30 p.m.	Choir room

(*F. Hall = Fellowship Hall, Res. room = Resource room)

WEEKLY DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN & ANNOUNCEMENT INFORMATION IS TUESDAY AT 4 P.M.

FRIENDSGIVING POTLUCK TODAY



Please join us for a potluck of stews, soups and chilis today following Church in the fellowship hall. This is an enjoyable time to catch up with each other and enjoy some delicious food.



SERVICE OF PRAYERS WITH THE MUSIC OF TAIZE

Join us on Sunday, **February 23rd at 7:00 p.m.** for a deeply contemplative worship service featuring the music of Taizé, 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.



AV MINISTRY TEAM
Greg Hartwick, Dave Leaning

& Jim Zarubick

COMMUNION SERVERS ◆ Mary-Ann and Ralph Knowles

& Dotty and Gregg McClelland

COUNTERS Bernd & Ursula Portz

FEBRUARY HOUSE LEADER A Krista Ritchie

NURSERY ATTENDANT ◆ Thank you

SCRIPTURE READER Gerry Stephens

SLIDE PRESENTATION ◆ Sarah MacKenzie
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ◆ Catharine Crawford

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WORSHIP II Gord Dunbar

PROGRAMME CALENDAR

SUNDAY, Feb 23rd 7:00 PM TAIZÉ SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, Feb 26th 7:00 PM ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

SUNDAY, March 1st 10:30 AM 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Worship: Gord Dunbar

Meditation: Innocence, Naiveté or Wisdom?

SUNDAY, March 8th 10:30 AM 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

Worship: Kevin Hart Meditation: TBA

GORD'S OFFICE HOURS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24th



MONDAY 1-5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Lent begins on **Wednesday**, **February 26**th on Ash Wednesday. Join us at **7:00 p.m.** for a worship service to mark the beginning of this season of contemplation, of spiritual deepening, of study, of prayer and of fasting. The service will be held in the front of the church where the choir usually sits and a cross of ashes will be marked on your forehead or the back of your hand.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2020 5:00 TO 7:00 PM

The M&M Committee will be hosting a Pancake Supper on FEBRUARY 25, 2020 – Shrove Tuesday. Please plan to attend and bring friends. Free will offering.

A sign up sheet to assist with the evening is posted.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY IS LOOKING FOR STUDY PARTICIPANTS IN OUR AREA

Researchers from Queen's University are conducting a study to learn more about the successes of (unpaid) caregivers and about what influences family and friend caregivers' decisions to reach out for support and services.



Being in this study will involve:

- Completing a short background questionnaire for about 10 minutes.
- Participating in a one on one interview for approximately 40–60 minutes with a researcher, in your home or wherever you would be comfortable

There is no cost for you to participate in the study. If you would like more information about participating, please contact Jodi Webber at 647 284 1830 or by email jodi.webber@queensu.ca



TELL GORD THE PREACHING TOPIC

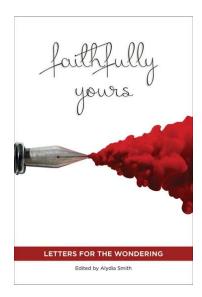
Have you ever wanted to hear a worship service addressing a topic that interests you, about which you always wanted to explore, something you've never heard before? Now is your chance. There will be a suggestion box at the back of the worship space for your topic or theme suggestions. Beside the suggestion box, slips of paper will be available to make your suggestion. If you wish to make a suggestion to Gord electronically, just send an e-mail to Gord at gord.kuc@bmts.com and he will put it into the box. On the Sunday immediately before, a topic or theme will be blindly picked by a member of the congregation from the box for Gord to use the following Sunday. The draws will be held to provide the focus for the Sundays of April 26th, May 3rd and May 10th. Maybe you'll tie Gord in knots as he takes only a week to figure it out.

FAITHFULLY YOURS: LETTERS FOR THE WONDERING

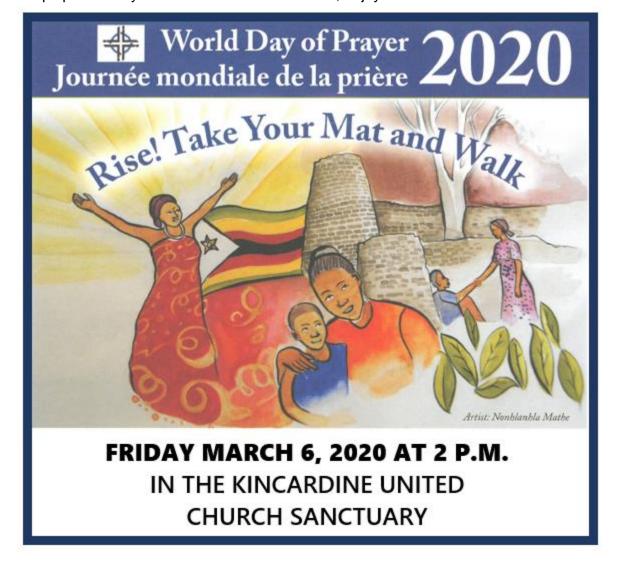
There are eight copies of this book available for free for those wishing to reflect on your faith this Lent. Inside is a reflection for each day of Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday on February 26th. Each week has a subtitle:

- · Week One: When Temptation is Calling
- Week Two: When the Road is Winding
- Week Three: When your Cup is Overflowing
- Week Four: When your Heart is Breaking
- · Week Five: When your Faith is Growing
- Week Six: When the Storm is Raging
- Holy Week: When your Hope is Fading
- Easter: When only Love Remains

As editor Alydia smith writes in the forward, "As I grow in my faith, I now understand the Bible not as a love letter from God, but as a shoebox of love letters between a people and their



maker. The letters and stories grow in intimacy and importance as we grow in deeper relationship with our maker and each other." Copies are available at the back of the worship space. As you use the book for reflection, enjoy!



LOOKING FOR AN EASY WAY TO VOLUNTEER?



Looking for a way to help, but can't commit to a lot of time?? Helping, with an experienced partner, to set up for Communion will work for you!

And it's only once a year!

An additional person is needed for each of, August 23, Oct. 4, and next Jan.'s Communions- 3 people in total.

Please contact Marion Brown, 396-3509, or <u>marbrown361@gmail.com</u> if you can help.

You will be much appreciated!!

TAX RECEIPTS



The 2019 charitable donation tax receipts are now available for pick-up in the Narthex! If yours is "not" there possibly, someone has picked it up and is planning to deliver it to you! Otherwise, we did mail out those with out of town addresses.

Any questions contact: John Phillips, Email: kucesteward@bmts.com

NEW!

FOR ROOM BOOKINGS, CHANGES & CANCELLATIONS FOR <u>ALL</u> MEETINGS & EVENTS IN THE CHURCH

1. For **new bookings** visit:

http://www.kincardineunitedchurch.org/content/booking-room

2. For **changes or cancellations** to current bookings contact Judy Zarubick <u>and</u> Liz Dillman (our new Booking Facilitators) via this link

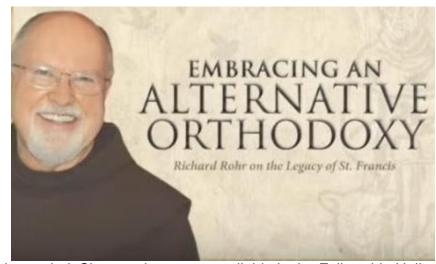
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3. Remember to **email Sarah** at kuchurch@bmts.com **if you want announcement about the event/group**, and send her the text you would like to be included

EMBRACING AN ALTERNATIVE ORTHODOXY

Father Richard Rohr introduces an orthodoxy lost to much of contemporary Christianity – an orthodoxy rooted in Franciscan theology and practice, an orthodoxy biblically grounded, an orthodoxy which is personally challenging and ultimately liberating. Through five engaging

video segments accompanied by some thought-provoking hand-outs, this study will embark on a faith journey simultaneously ancient and modern. Each session includes a 10-15 minute DVD presentation by Father Richard Rohr, followed by a 10-15 minute filmed interaction with a small group of adults.



No previous experience is needed. Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall. Two times are available and interchangeable. Wednesdays in the Choir Room from either 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on March 11th ("Atonement Theology"), 18th ("Eco-Spirituality"), 25th ("The Cosmic Christ"), April 1st ("Orthodoxy vs. Orthopraxy") and 8th ("Mysticism over Moralism"). Join us for this engaging study.

Loaves & Fishes Potluck



DATE: March 9th SOCIAL TIME: 5:30 pm

DINNER: 6:00 pm

We invite everyone to join us for our Potluck Dinner and share friendship, laughter and food. Please bring friends, family and what you are able for food. As those who attend our monthly Loaves and Fishes Potluck know, there is always a large variety of food and more than enough to feed all who come to our table. If you are not able to bring food, bring your smiles and friendship.

If you are unable to carry your dish into the Friendship Hall there will be a cart at the side entrance you can put it on and we will bring it down. If you need assistance carrying it from your car just let us know and we will bring it in for you.

"Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks to God and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people.

20 They all ate and were satisfied." Matthew 14:18-20

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

During Lent this year we will be welcoming those who wish to become members of Kincardine United Church. 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 witness as part of this wonderfully diverse family of faith.



MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

FEBRUARY 23, 2020

A CHICKEN FARM IN KENYA

Farmers learn best from one another. The Organization of African Instituted Churches (OAIC) supports farmer-to-farmer knowledge exchange through interactive model farms. OAIC is one of our long-standing Mission & Service—funded global partners. The farmer-to-farmer project would not exist without your gifts to Mission & Service.

The model farms in West Pokot, Kenya, give rural farmers opportunities to physically demonstrate and teach each other appropriate technologies and new methods. Depending on what's being tested or showcased, the demonstration farm could have different types of crops and crop varieties, livestock or poultry breeds, fertilizer treatments, or technology such as drip irrigation.

The practical learning sites have proven popular with the younger generation, who want hands-on involvement in the changes. More primary schools are actively engaged with 4K clubs—clubs that teach children how to grow crops—in Vihiga County, Kenya.

One of OAIC's initiatives is to promote chicken farming to farms that are subject to extreme weather or aren't large enough to raise cattle. Women in particular have taken to raising chickens to boost their household income and also for the eggs, a good source of protein for their families.

Well-presented demonstrations enable farmers to see for themselves how the new technology works; small-scale farmers adopting new methods are taught how to cope with and manage ongoing agricultural challenges, climate change, and food insecurity.

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.