This Week in the Life and Work of our 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 – every Sun. 9:45 a.m. in the Choir room
K.U.C.I.E. – returns September 10th, 7–8 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Craft, Conversation & Coffee– returns last Tues. in Sept.

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

COME ONE, COME ALL! KUC WORSHIP & PICNIC IN THE PARK

The KUC Annual Worship in the park service (usual time) and post-service picnic will be Sunday, June 23rd in Victoria Park.

The M&M Committee members are asking participants to bring a potluck dish to pass, lawn chairs, and dinnerware. The M&M members will provide juice, cups, cutlery and napkins. The musical group Edenfolk will again provide music for the service and, perhaps, before and afterwards.

Should it rain, the event will move inside the church. Hope to see you there!
PROGRAMME CALENDAR

SUNDAY, June 16th  7:00 PM  TAIZE SERVICE

SUNDAY, June 23rd  10:30 AM  WORSHIP & PICNIC IN VICTORIA PARK
Musical Guests: Edenfolk
Worship: Gord Dunbar
Meditation: “Weaving Whispers”

SUNDAY, June 30th  10:30 AM  3rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Worship: Gord Dunbar
Meditation: “Fruitful Harvest”

SUNDAY, July 7th  10:30 AM  CELTIC SERVICE
Worship: Gord Dunbar
Meditation: “One Shirt and Shoes for Service”

SERVICE OF PRAYERS WITH THE MUSIC OF TAIZE

Join us on Sunday, June 16th 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.

GORD’S OFFICE HOURS  WEEK OF JUNE 18th

MONDAY  1 – 5 p.m.
TUESDAY  9 a.m. - noon
WEDNESDAY  9 a.m. - noon

CRAFTS, CONVERSATION & COFFEE ON SUMMER BREAK

Come to the Resource room on the last Tuesday of September at 1:30 p.m. when we meet again next!
AFFIRMING DIVERSITY WORSHIP SERVICE

During Pride weekend at Kincardine United Church, we are hosting an ecumenical worship service celebrating diversity within our community. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 21st. “…for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. …There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus” (Galatians 3:26, 28). Join us as we open our hearts one to each other in worship.

KINCARDINE PRIDE PARADE

As some of you may know, Gord has actively promoted justice for LGBTQ+ rights for 36 years. This year Gord will again be marching in the Kincardine Pride Parade on Saturday, June 22nd beginning at 11:00 a.m. at Connaught Park. If you wish to join with him, he will be wearing his gown and his rainbow stole. Those who choose to march with him will form a group behind a Kincardine United Church banner. If you decide to join Gord, you can help carry the banner with him during the parade. Your participation is completely voluntary. When the parade finishes at Victoria Park, there will be lots of fun ways to celebrate our affirmation of ALL God’s people within our community, featuring the Kate Channer Band, vendors, food and games.

QUESTERS

The next meeting of the Questers discussion group will be held in the kitchen on Thursday, June 20th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Supper is provided as we discuss the video “Stories of Creation”. No previous experience needed because we would love to join with you in conversation. Looking forward to seeing you there.
SCOTTISH TEA JULY 6th
Once again our congregation is hosting a Scottish Tearoom during the Scottish Festival on Saturday, July 6th. It’s always fun working with other church members and watching the happy faces of our guests. Please check out our sign-up boards in the church entry and see if you can help by signing up to bake (optional recipes are provided) or helping out the day of the tearoom. Thanks for all your support and participation!

SCOTTISH FESTIVAL TEA
SATURDAY, JULY 6th
10:00 am - 4:00 pm
COME AND ENJOY MUFFINS, SCONES, COOKIES, TEA BISCUITS, BUTTER TARTS, COFFEE, TEA AND COLD DRINKS!

Message from our Envelope Steward - John Phillips
We have a NEW centralized computer database that would really “shine” with updated data! Have you changed something like your address, phone, email, spouse? Consider updating KUC now and in the future, so that we can update our membership and contribution records.
Sarah - Membership: kuchurch@bmts.com
John - Contributions: kucesteward@bmts.com
TRANSFIGURATIONS – TRANSGRESSING GENDER IN THE BIBLE

Peterson Toscano has shaken up Bible scholarship and received high praise for his ground-breaking, genre-bending, gender-blending Bible interpretations. By unearthing the gender stories of people in the Old and New Testaments, Toscano’s one-person performance deepens well-known – and lesser known – Bible stories, presenting an array of Bible characters with an array of genders. Join us to view Toscano’s DVD dramatizations that will get you thinking in a new way about gender identity, interpretations deeply rooted in vigorous biblical research which capture the complexity of the original texts. Come and explore with Gord how Toscano’s insights bring light for our modern understanding of gender from a faith perspective. Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall. No previous Bible experience is necessary. There are two options available for this 4-session study:

Sunday July 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. OR Wednesday July 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Choir Room.

UPCOMING FOODGRAINS PROJECT

The Membership and Mission Committee is undertaking a “Canada Foodgrains growing project”! The Canadian Government matches any funds we raise 4:1. Details will be announced in the coming weeks. There will be many ways for people of all ages to get involved.

PASTORAL CARE INFORMATION SHARING

If you know of someone in our faith community who might appreciate a pastoral visit – and you have permission from the person – please share that information with Gord at 519-386-6346. It is better for him to hear the news multiple times instead of missing an opportunity for this powerful connection. Pastoral care is a team effort among us all. Thank you.
June 30th is Food Bank Sunday
Please remember to bring a non-perishable item. Suggestions: cans of meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, chili & stew; peanut butter, pasta & sauce, school snacks, jam, cereal, toiletries and feminine products.

The Grief Recovery Method
Is your Heart: Broken? Lost? Stuck?

The Grief Recovery Program has been used effectively by hundreds of thousands of grievers all over the world to assist people in recovering from the death of someone in their lives.

A powerful, dynamic, sensible and accessible program that is genuinely for anyone willing to take the necessary actions to help themselves.

We aren’t going to tell you we know how you feel because we don’t. Neither does anyone else. What we will do is provide a safe environment where you will be given specific tools to help you recover from loss and ultimately lead a happier life.

The Grief Recovery Method can be done in group settings or one-on-one.

Don’t wait any longer – time alone will not heal your broken heart.

For more information contact:
Liz Dillman – Certified Grief Recovery Method Specialist at 519-396-5546 or email dillman.l@bmts.com
Or visit our website: www.griefrecoverymethod.com
DATE: JULY 8, 2019
SOCIAL TIME: 5:30 pm, DINNER: 6:00 pm

Each month Kincardine United Church hosts a Loaves and Fishes Potluck Dinner inviting everyone to come and share friendship, laughter and food. As those who attend know, there is always a large variety of food and more than enough to feed all who come to our table.

We invite everyone to come to our Loaves and Fishes dinner – bringing friends, family, neighbours and what you are able for food. If you are not able to bring something we also welcome you at our table.

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.

Future Dates
   August 12, September 9,
   October 14, November 11, & December 9

“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

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.
SHARING CIRCLE

The Longhouse Council of Native Ministry started 30 years ago as an outreach to Indigenous people in Vancouver, British Columbia. Established without a building, today its home is a church in the low-income Hastings-Sunrise neighbourhood, and its outreach extends to all those seeking a caring community.

The ministry still maintains a significant commitment to First Nations. There is a weekly sharing circle mostly (but not exclusively) attended by Indigenous people, a carving and language class, and several 12-step groups, including an Aboriginal Alcoholics Anonymous group. However, poverty and homelessness, now growing in leaps and bounds, have made the congregation a hub for anyone seeking economic and social justice.

Regular Sunday worship, baptisms, marriages, and funerals are central to Longhouse. So, too, are the weekly food bank, and participation in annual Advent and Lenten vigils to raise awareness of those who are silenced in the city. As the Rev. Barry Morris says, there is a “creative tension between being a pastoral charge and a community ministry,” an urge to support as well as to change society.

Longhouse is one of the many community ministries across the country supported by Mission & Service.

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.