

## 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*
Lenten Bible study	Mar. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 10:30 a.m. – noon or Mar. 14 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	Choir Room
Loaves & Fishes Programme	Mar. 11 <sup>th</sup> , doors open 5:30 Mar. 12 <sup>th</sup> , 7 – 9 p.m.	F. Hall Choir room
UCW Sunshine	Mar. 13 <sup>th</sup> , 1 – 3 p.m.	Choir room
Stew/Soup Potluck Lunch	Mar. 17 <sup>th</sup> , after worship	F. Hall
Lighthouse UCW	Mar. 18 <sup>th</sup> , 7 – 9 p.m.	Choir room
Membership & Mission	Mar. 19 <sup>th</sup> , 7 – 9 p.m.	Krista Ritchie's
Questers	Mar. 21 <sup>st</sup> , 6 – 9 p.m.	Kitchen
Property	Mar. 26 <sup>th</sup> , 9 – 10 a.m.	Res. Room
Administration	Mar. 26 <sup>th</sup> , 10 a.m. – noon	Res. room
Dory Lunch	Mar. 26, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	F. Hall/kitchen
Craft, Conversation & Coffee	Mar. 26 <sup>th</sup> , 1:30 p.m.	Res. room

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

### **STEW LUNCHEON ... SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019**



Thank you to everyone who provided food and assistance with our first Soup/Stew Luncheon on February 17, 2019. It was a huge success and enjoyed by all who attended. Our second luncheon will be a Stew and Buns Lunch on Sunday, March 17, 2019.

We will need eight stews (at least one vegetarian) and eight dozen buns (including gluten-free option) along with people to set up and clean up. The sign up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall.

A basket for free will donations will also be set up on the day of the lunch.



**QUESTERS MEETING** Questers will reconvene on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> in the kitchen. We will be watching the DVD “Living the Questions” and discussing it. We will continue to meet the third Thursday of the month 6pm – 9pm Kitchen. Any questions call Charles Ludlow.

### GORD'S OFFICE HOURS *WEEK OF MARCH 11th*



**MONDAY**      **9 a.m. – noon**

### PROGRAMME CALENDAR

**SUNDAY, MAR. 17th**      **10:30 AM**      **2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
Worship: Kerry      Meditation: "Real or Phony"

**SUNDAY, MAR. 24th**      **10:30 AM**      **3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
Worship: Gord      Meditation: "Being There"

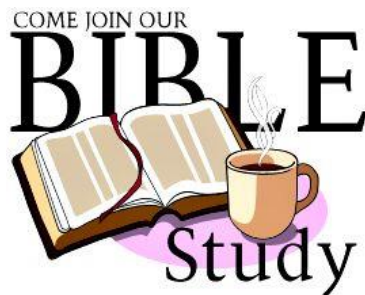
**7:00 PM**      **SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR HEALING**



#### **SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR HEALING – SUNDAY, MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00 P.M.**

Join us for this special, intimate and contemplative service in the Iona tradition. Too often in our living we struggle with woundedness – whether of the body, of the mind or of the spirit. Come and discover a place of healing for your soul rooted in Gord's sabbatical experience on the Scottish island of Iona where Celtic Christianity flourishes.

### "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.

**WITH THANKS AND APPRECIATION**



Thank you very much for your continued contributions to our "Grocery Cart" on the last Sunday of each month. It is received with smiles and thanks when we deliver the many bags down to the Food Bank at the Anglican Church. Thanks also go to Marilyn Buffo, Dave Mullenix, Gregg and Dotty McClelland for their continued service of gathering all the food up and getting it down to the Food Bank these past few years.

If you would like to help us out, we would also welcome your assistance. There are only 12 months in the year and when we split them up it only means you would have to

take a turn once or twice. We always call on one of the other workers if something comes up on a Sunday that we can't make it.

**Please consider lending a hand and contact Dotty McClelland.**



<b>DATE:</b>	<b>MARCH 11, 2019</b>
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:	April 8, 2019	August 12, 2019
	May 13, 2019	September 9, 2019
	June 10, 2019	October 14, 2019
	July 8, 2019	November 11, 2019
		December 9, 2019

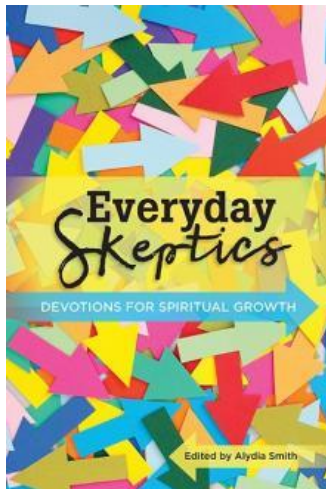
*"Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks to God and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. <sup>20</sup> They all ate and were satisfied."* Matthew 14:18-20

## BRUCE PRESBYTERIAL UCW ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Annual General Meeting of Bruce Presbyterial U.C.W., Monday March 25<sup>th</sup>, will be held at St. Andrew's United in Ripley. Registration at 9:00 a.m. Lunch-\$12.00. If you wish transportation, please contact Elaine Holmes.

This is the Lectern from when our church was a Methodist church over 100 years ago. It is available to anyone. A donation to the church would be appreciated. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

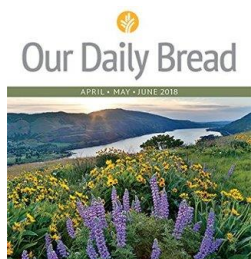


### EVERYDAY SKEPTICS

We often ask ourselves the question "So What?" when it comes to spiritual growth. "Everyday Skeptics", edited by Alydia Smith of the United Church of Canada, is a book of daily devotions that lead the reader from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday.

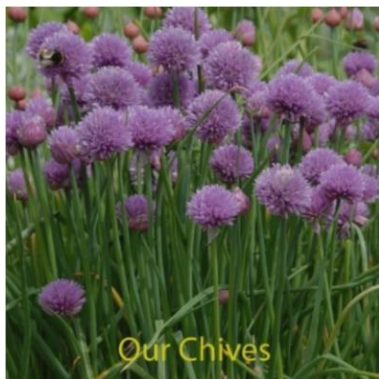
As followers of Jesus, we are encouraged to encounter a story of our faith, reflect on the devotions, and question what all of this has to do with our life and faith and the life and faith of others.

The book is not required for the Lenten bible study; however it is a good resource in developing spiritual growth during the Lenten season. Cost is \$15 and can be given to Kerry at fellowship time or other times he is in the office.



**OUR DAILY BREAD ...** Our Daily Bread (a daily devotional booklet) for March, April and May is available on the narthex table and on the bookshelf across from the office. Donations may be left in the jar with the booklets on the narthex table.

### RESOURCE ROOM ARCHIVAL RECORDS



Thousands of pages of records have been created during the 168 years of Kincardine United Church’s existence. Original archival records are securely stored and accessible at the United Church’s Archives facility at 40 Oak Street, Toronto. Many Kincardine United Church documents recently transferred to the Archives have been digitized. Searchable digital copies of these documents are available on the desktop PC in the Resource Room. These records include items such as Annual Reports (1970 – present), Committee, Board & Council meeting minutes (1977 – 2010), UCW General, Executive & Unit meeting minutes (1979-2015). Much of our recent history is contained within these archival documents,

bearing witness to our acts and decisions and serving as the memory of our church. A good reminder of the importance of the records we create today, which become the history of tomorrow. ***“People must know the past to understand the present and face the future.”***  
***Nellie McClung***



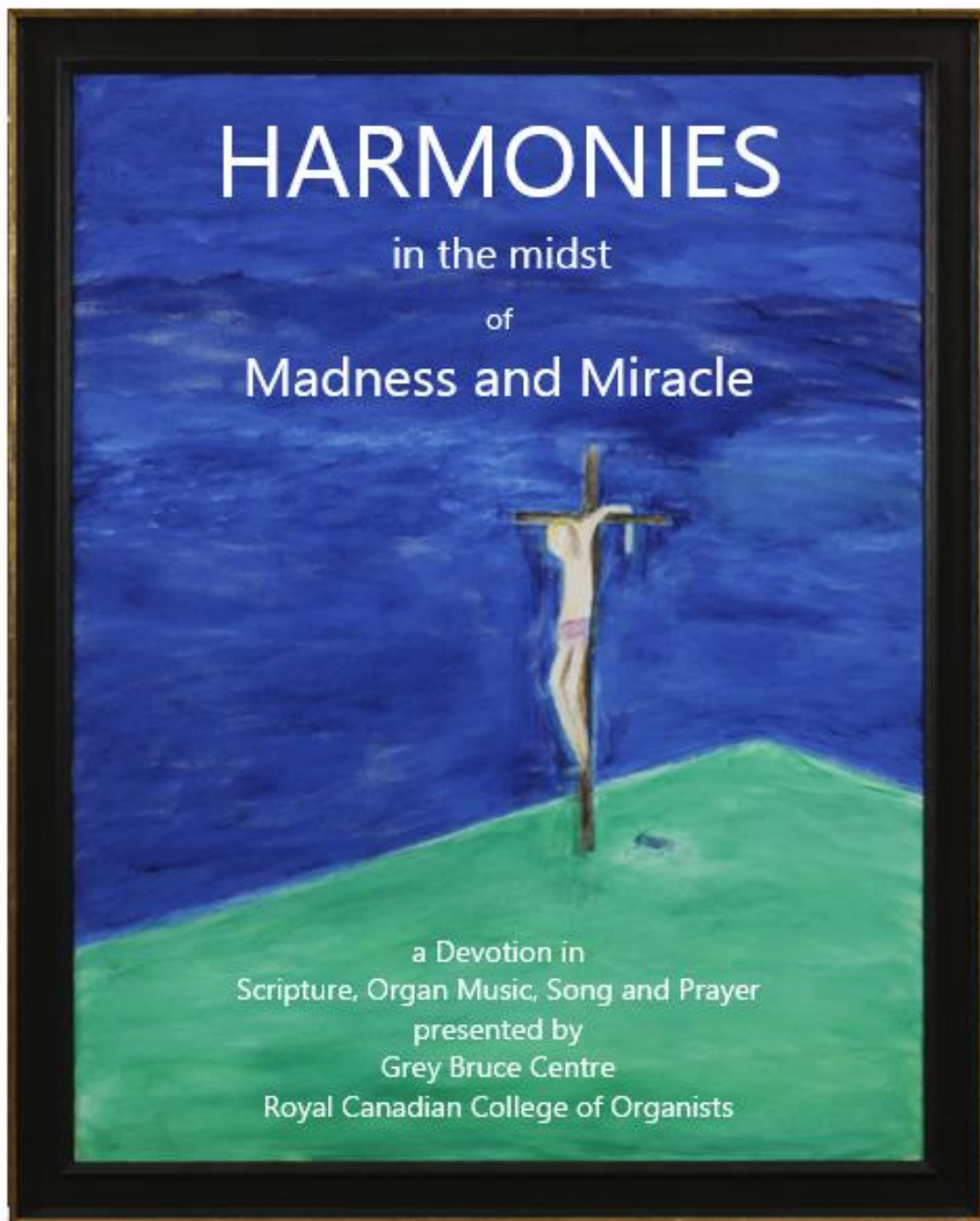
### **CRAFTS, CONVERSATION & COFFEE**

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.

### **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](mailto:kuchurch@bmts.com).



Good Friday  
April 19, 2019  
7.30pm  
Kincardine United Church  
(519) 396-2391  
*Free Will Offering*

## 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

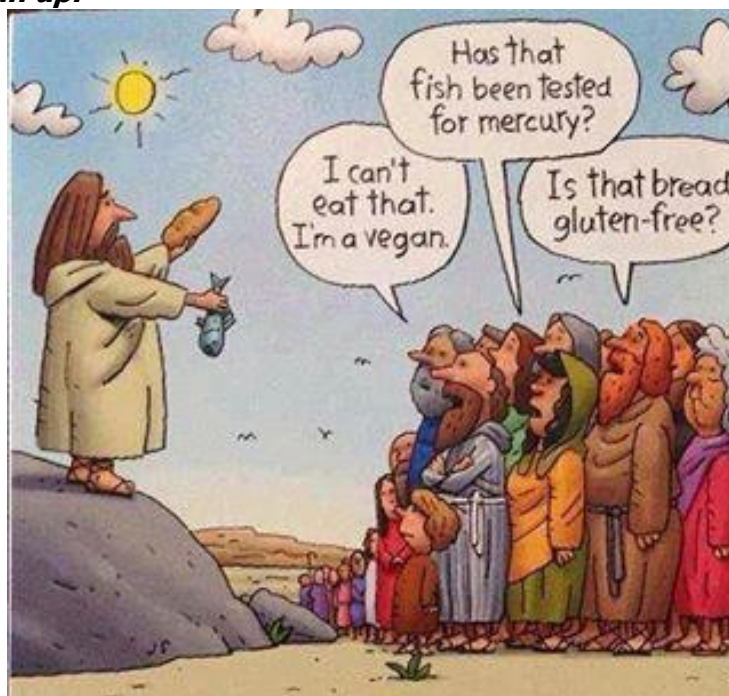
People are needed to prepare the coffee, hot water for tea, set out the cups, milk, tea, cream and sugar on the trolley and get it all upstairs for 10:00 am, return everything to the kitchen at some point during the service (preferably during a hymn so as not to interfere with the service and clean up 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 clean-up for 90 minutes maximum.**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**

**MARCH 10, 2019**

**EMBRACING THE SPIRIT**

Rob Dagleish, Executive Director of EDGE, says the growth of Embracing the Spirit, a Mission & Service program, demonstrates that there is an appetite across the church to experiment with new forms of worship and ministry. Embracing the Spirit is a Mission & Service program, learning network, and innovation fund.

As Dagleish notes: “People sometimes ask me, ‘What do art shows or cooking classes have to do with church?’ I tell them it’s about loving your neighbour and the neighbourhood. Changing lives for the better, whether economically, socially, environmentally, or through more traditional spiritual practices, is an act of love. It’s an expression of the abundant life that was Jesus’ purpose. Through our own deepening discipleship, it becomes an opportunity to introduce people to who Jesus is and the way he invites us to walk.”

The Embracing the Spirit learning network consists of more than 300 people receiving guidance from more than 80 mentors. These mentors include retired professionals who are willing to lend their skills and expertise to help others. Another part of the program is the Social Innovation Challenge, where participants can develop a concept, discover new partners, and compete for start-up funding. There have been 11 Social Innovation Challenges so far, which bring a spiritual bottom line to entrepreneurship.

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.