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*
Aria 21 concert	Postponed - to be Rescheduled	Sanctuary
UCW Executive	Feb. 6 th , 1 p.m.	Res. room
Sunday School Teachers Meeting	Feb. 10 th , 9:30 a.m.	Res. Room
Loaves & Fishes Potluck	Feb. 11 th , doors open 5:30 p.m.	F. Hall
Programme	Feb. 12 th , 7-9 p.m.	Choir room
UCW North unit	Feb. 12 th , 1-3 p.m.	TBA
UCW Sunshine unit	Feb. 13 th , 1 – 3 p.m.	Choir room
Valentine Coffee & Muffin party	Feb. 15 th , 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.	F. Hall
Stew/Soup Potluck Lunch	Feb. 17 th , after service	F. Hall
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Admission by donation. Reception to follow

THE ARIA 21 CONCERT THAT WAS SCHEDULED FOR TODAY AT 2 PM HAS **BEEN POSTPONED.**

It will likely be rescheduled for later this month.

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.



TAX RECEIPTS



The KUC 2018 charitable donation tax receipts are now available for pick-up in the Narthex! Some were mailed out to those with out of town addresses and non-members! However, If you did not receive yours, or have any questions/changes (address, phone, email) Contact: John Phillips - KUC-Envelope Steward:kucesteward@bmts.com

PROGRAMME CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEB. 10th 5th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Worship: Kerry Stover Meditation: "Best Day Ever!"

SUNDAY, FEB. 17th 6th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Worship: Kerry Stover Meditation: "A,B,C: Atitude"

SUNDAY, FEB. 24th 7th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Worship: Gord Dunbar Meditation: "There's a Hole in My Bucket"

ANNUAL REPORTS

The time has come once again to submit your Annual Reports for 2018. Write them now while your memory is fresh! Please submit them to Sarah MacKenzie in the office either electronically to kuchurch@bmts.com (preferred) or in print. The deadline has passed. If you have not submitted your report, please do so. Thank you to everyone who has submitted their reports.

SHARING MEDITATION (Revisited)



Meditation can be a beautiful place of prayer and where you can be closer to the Lord but sometimes it can be a difficult technique. Two Parishioners of KUC, Randy Norris and Charles Ludlow are long time meditators who have agreed to teach and to share their experiences. Randy, has been meditating for over 35 years and will share methods of meditation in 4 week course and help interpret your experiences.

January 16th to February 6th from 6 pm to 8 pm. in the Chapel.

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UCW EXECUTIVE MEETING

There will be a UCW Executive Meeting today Feb. 6th at 1 P.M. in the Resource room.

TODAY IS SUNDAE SUNDAY



M&M will be providing the ingredients for ice cream sundaes. Please join us after Church for "Sundae Sunday". Free will donation.



SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MINISTRY TEAM

The Sunday School Teachers Ministry Team will meet on Sunday **Feb 10 at 9:30 am** in the Resource room. Anyone interested in Sunday School is welcome to attend.

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.

VALENTINE COFFEE & MUFFIN PARTY



Make a date with your friends or your sweetheart to come and enjoy coffee/ tea and a muffin on FRIDAY FEBRUARY 15th, BETWEEN 9:30-11:30 A.M. in Fellowship Hall. Price: \$3.00.

A BAKE TABLE will be available as well.

Donations of freshly baked goodies for the Bake table will be appreciated. Please deliver any baking to the church on Thursday (14th) between 2-4 p.m.

or by 9 a.m. Friday (15th).

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.

To the men of the Congregation:

For the last 10 years United Church, Anglican and Presbyterian ladies have been hosting a lunch, on the last Tuesday of the month, for our friends from the Dory in Fellowship Hall. The Dory is a drop in centre for individuals with mental illness. It is located on the corner of Queen and Durham Streets. We usually serve 25-30 guests.



We would like some help for clean up after the lunch i.e. putting the tables and chairs back, vacuuming the floor, and clearing tables. If you would like to join us for lunch and help with the cleaning up afterwards we would love to have you as part of this ministry.

Our lunch this month is on Tuesday Jan 29 at noon. My contact info is 519-396-7557, frangannett@bmts.com Thank you, Fran Gannett

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.

ELMER ISELER SINGERS THURSDAY MARCH 28th, 2019

The Kincardine Community Singers are delighted to host the Elmer Iseler Singers on their 40th Anniversary tour. The concert will take place March 28th 2019 at 7:30 pm in Knox Presbyterian Church, 345 Durham Street, Kincardine.

The Elmer Iseler Singers is a professional chamber choir based in Toronto, Ontario. The twenty-voice choir, conducted by Artistic Director Lydia Adams, founded by Dr. Elmer Iseler in 1979, is one of Canada's leading choral ensembles and is highly acclaimed throughout North America. Tickets are \$25 and they are available for sale on the Community Singers website or at Harbour Rose in Kincardine as of January 7th. If you are interested in pre-ordering tickets for Christmas please get in contact with Paula Smith, Smithm@tnt21.com or at www.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.

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

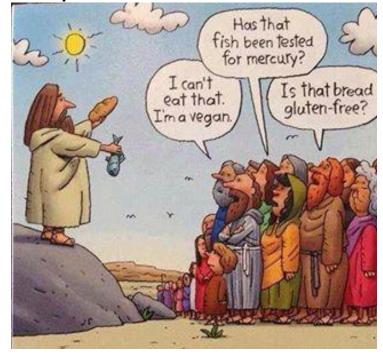
People are needed to prepare the coffee, hot water for tea, set out the cups, milk, tea, cream and sugar on the trolley and get it all upstairs for 10:00 am, return everything to the kitchen at some point during the service (preferably during a hymn so as not to interfere with the service and clean up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

ALTERNATIVE FARMING GIVES HOPE

Our gifts for Mission & Service offer hope for those taking chances on alternative forms of farming in areas of severe drought. One example is the work of the National Council of Churches of Kenya with the National Drought Management Authority.

The council advises the agency of the needs in drought-stricken areas. In places like Meru and Tharaka Nithi, the National Council of Churches of Kenya has a number of farms that have had success with conservation farming, which uses mulch to keep the ground moist. The success of these farms gives farmers hope that they can feed their families and communities regardless of the weather.

Many of the farmers are women who have been empowered to take over running the farm from their husbands. We are thankful that Mission & Service, in partnership with the National Council of Churches of Kenya, offers hope with severe drought and empowers of women.

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.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kincardine & District is looking for Volunteer Drivers to drive our Littles who require transportation to our Group nights. Our boys group meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, and our girls group meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Pick is up approximately at

6:15pm, Group starts at 6:30 and end of group pick up is at 8pm. Mileage is provided. If you are interested or for more information, please call Deirdre at 519.396.3565