# 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 MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Choir – Thursdays from 2-3 p.m. in the Sanctuary K.U.C.I.E. – Tuesdays 7-8 in the Sanctuary

#### **EVENT/MEETING**

**UCW Executive** Valentine Coffee & Muffin Party Sunday School Teachers Soup & Sandwich Lunch Animate:Bible

Loaves & Fishes dinner Pancake Supper Ash Wednesday service Council

#### DATE & TIME

Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1 p.m. Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-11:30 Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m. Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, after worship Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 10.-11:30 a.m. or Feb 18<sup>th</sup> 2-3:30 p.m. Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, doors open 5:30 p.m. Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 5-7 p.m. Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 8 a.m.

#### LOCATION\*

Res. room F. Hall Res. room F. Hall Choir room

F. Hall F. Hall Sanctuary **Kitchen** 

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



## 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 9th, 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 (8th) between 2-4 p.m. or by 9 a.m. Friday.

#### **GORD IS ON HOLIDAYS**

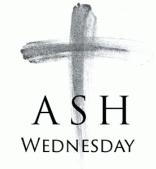
Gord Dunbar will be on holidays from Monday, January 29th to Sunday, February 11th



inclusive. If you require emergency pastoral care, please contact Rev. Vicki Johnson, the minister at Pine River United Church. The best way to reach Rev. Vicki Johnson is her cell 519-807-8519, and the church number is 519-395-5380. Gord will be in New York city taking in eight Broadway shows, art galleries, the Late Show with Stephen Colbert and some of the usual tourist stuff.

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#### ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE



Join us for a special worship service to mark **Ash Wednesday** on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. This ancient practice affirms the beginning of our Lenten journey of contemplation, study, repentance and forgiveness. During this contemplative service, there will be an imposition of a cross of ashes on your forehead or on the back of your hand as a symbol committing to a Lenten discipline.

#### TAX RECEIPTS ARE READY



The 2018 charitable tax receipts are ready for pick up! Envelopes are located on the table in the narthex. Please pick up yours to save the church some additional postage costs. Receipts not picked up by mid-February willed be mailed out. Any questions/changes (address, phone, email) email John Phillips - KUC Envelope Steward: kucesteward@bmts.com



#### U.C.W. EXECUTIVE MEETING: Wed. February 7, at 1:00 p.m. in the Resource Room

#### ANIMATE: BIBLE

Join Gord either on Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. beginning on February 12<sup>th</sup> or on Sundays from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. beginning on February 18<sup>th</sup> for this engaging study. **Animate: Bible** poses questions people really have, encouraging participants to respond – although answers aren't included. Each session's 10-minute video features perspectives from contemporary Christian leaders on topics such as:



History – Parchment to pixel with Phyllis Tickle; Testaments – One story, two parts with Rachel Held Evens; Gospels – Unexpected good news with Nadia Bolz-Weber; Genre – Rhythm of the text with Jose Morales; Interpretation – Scripture reads us with William Willimon; Grace – Love is the bottom line with Jay Bakker. Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall. See you there!

#### ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE

Please keep in mind that the deadline is Tuesday afternoons at 4 p.m. Thank you.

#### DO YOU WANT TO JOIN THE CHURCH?

A few folks have expressed an interest in joining the congregation as members. If you are also interested, please contact Gord Dunbar at 519-396-2391 (ext. 2). We'll chat, get to know each other and plan.

## **PROGRAM CALENDAR**

SUNDAY, FEB 11	TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY Preaching – Rod Coates Sermon Title - "Tutti: We're All In This Together"
WEDNESDAY, FEB 14	ASH WEDNESDAY (7:30 PM Service) Preaching – Gord Dunbar Sermon Title – "Re-Turn"
SUNDAY, FEB 18	FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT Preaching – Gord Dunbar Sermon Title - "Quantum Entanglement"

### **DEADLINE FOR ANNUAL REPORT SUBMISSIONS**

Thank you to those who have made their submissions. **The deadline for remaining submissions is February 26**<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

#### **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.



DATE:	FEBRUARY 12, 2018
SOCIAL TIME:	5:30 pm
DINNER:	6:00 pm

"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

Each month Kincardine United Church hosts a Loaves and Fishes dinner (formerly known as our pot luck 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. Unlike Jesus, we may not feed 5,000 but all who attend leave satisfied.

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

Future Dates: March 12 April 9 May 14 June 11



# PANCAKE SUPPER TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018 5:00 TO 7:00 PM

The M&M Committee will be hosting a Pancake Supper on February 13 – Shrove Tuesday. Please plan to attend and bring friends. Free will offering.

A sign up sheet to assist with the evening will be posted prior to the date.



## SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCH

Lighthouse unit is hosting a soup and sandwich lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the service on **February 11**<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome. Freewill donations appreciated.



Sunday School Teachers Ministry team will meet Sunday Feb 11 at 9:30 am. Anyone interested in Sunday School is welcome to attend.

#### MESSAGE FROM KINCARDINE REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP STEERING COMMITTEE

The Kincardine Refugee Sponsorship Steering Committee is pleased to let you know that an application is being prepared to sponsor a second family to be welcomed into the Kincardine community. The process this time will be slightly different, as it is hoped to sponsor a specific named family of two parents and four children from Syria. It may take a long time before the results of the application are known, but there will be news releases to keep people informed of progress. The congregation of Kincardine United Church, and indeed the entire community in Kincardine, were incredibly generous with financial donations and volunteer services to help the Elahi family on their way, and it is hoped that the new family will receive an equally warm welcome when they are finally able to be here. Many thanks for your wonderful support.

#### QUESTERS



Questers will meet in the Kincardine United Church kitchen at **Feb 22**, March 15, April 19, 2018. We will have a short meditation/service followed by a light meal. You do not need to contribute any food. We will watch a 30 minute segment of "Beyond Theology" and finish with a discussion period. Each session is independent of the previous one. Please join us!

Beyond Theology: In this 10 part series noted theologians,

scholars and authors reflect upon the fundamental challenges of our time, addressing the roots of contemporary culture wars and global environmental crises. The series focuses on the emergence of a worldview that integrates science and spirituality, while exploring the notion that the guiding myths of modern civilization are in transition.

## WHO ARE YOU GOING TO CALL?

If you have a concern, request or suggestion, please direct it to an appropriate volunteer. Thank you.

CHAIR OF COUNCIL – MARION BOYD					
CHAIR OF ADMINIST					
CHAIR OF PROGRAM – JACKIE CLEMENTS					
UCW SECRETARY – DIANNE HENKENHAF					
MEMBERSHIP AND MISSION MEMBERS (NO CHAIR)					
LIZ DILLMAN		JEAN JOHNSON			
CHARLES		BERND PORTZ			
LUDLOW					
URSULA PORTZ		KRISTA RITCHIE			
MELINDA SMEGAL					
PROPERTY MINISTRY TEAM					
RON ELLIOTT		<b>BEV JENNINGS</b>			
RALPH KNOWLES		BILL MACTAVISH			
DOTTY		JACK			
MCCLELLAND		NANCEKIVELL			
RON SMITH		GERRY			
		STEPHENS			



Knox Presbyterian Church, 345 Durham St. Kincardine

Service written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Suriname Prepared and adapted for use in Canada by the Women's inter Church Council of Canada Prépare et adapté pour le Concil é de la Journée mondiale de la prière de Suriname

## **MINUTE FOR MISSIONS**

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# **A PASSION FOR LEARNING**

Our gifts for Mission & Service support girls, human rights, and learning.

On a Kenyan mountain surrounded by farms is the Jerusalem Secondary School for Girls. The school is supported by Mission & Service global partner the Organization of African Instituted Churches. It is a safe place for young women who are escaping child marriage and the threat of female genital mutilation, or female circumcision.

The students share with pride their commitment to completing their education students like Philomena. Philomena was able to complete primary school before her father sold her into marriage when she was 16. While her husband never forced her to undergo female genital mutilation, his family pressured her to do so. When her husband died, she was told by his family that she would now need to undergo the procedure or they would throw her out and keep her four children. In fear, Philomena and her children ran away. She returned to her home village, where her mother welcomed her and the children into her home. Philomena's mother heard about the school a short walk away and encouraged her daughter to go to it. Philomena was able to get a scholarship, and while she spends her day in class, her mother takes care of her children.

Philomena is beginning her final year of secondary school and looking forward to going to university, where she will study education. Her dream is to become a teacher because she believes that education is very important. The Organization of African Instituted Churches supports the school by providing scholarships and contributing to the salaries of three teachers.

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.