

This Week in the Life & 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.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT AND CAROL SERVICE LIVE STREAM



Yes, we will be live streaming our 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight worship service this year.

Like previous years, there will be lessons, carols & solos – although our choir and Kincardine United Church Instrumental Ensemble will not be part of the service this year for safety reasons. We will

certainly miss gathering and reconnecting face-to-face, but we are pleased to continue this long-time Christmas tradition digitally. **There will NOT be a 4:00 p.m. Family Christmas Eve service** with a come-as-you-are pageant because we are not able to facilitate something that matches the interactive nature of that service digitally this year.

CONNECTING TO OUR CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT & CAROL SERVICE

The information for connecting
to the live stream
of our Christmas Eve service
is available on our web site,
www.kincardineunitedchurch.org,
on the left side of the homepage

Christmas Day 'TAKEOUT' Community Meal



Friday December 25, 2020

**Drive thru pick up by appointment only
starting at 12 Noon and running to 1:30 p.m.
Home delivery available by special request.**

***For planning purposes we need to know how
many meals to prepare so call to reserve.***

***Call Sam or Heather at 519 - 396 - 2001
by Monday December 21st***

**Turkey Dinner With All The Trimmings
No charge (Freewill Offering)**

**Meal Pickup Location
St. Anthony's of Padua Catholic Church Parking Lot
749 Russell Street, Kincardine**

DEADLINE FOR ANNOUNCEMENT INFO FOR THIS WEEK

Submit information to kuchurch@bmts.com
by 12 PM on TUESDAY DECEMBER 22nd

REVISED ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE

It is that time of year again. We need to pull together our annual report for 2020. It has certainly been a different year, transformed by living with a pandemic. Nevertheless, please write your annual report for this past year before you forget the details because of the fog of our COVID brains. The newly revised deadline for submission to the office (kuchurch@bmts.com) is **Sunday, January 10th, 2021**. Getting your report in earlier is even better. Thank you so much!



PROGRAMME CALENDAR

SUNDAY, Dec. 24th 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight & Carol Service

SUNDAY, Dec. 27th 10:30 AM Christmas 1
Worship: Gord Dunbar
Meditation: In the Family Way

SUNDAY, Jan. 3rd 10:30 AM Epiphany Sunday
Worship: Gord Dunbar
Meditation: Double Vision



Regular Sunday Services are live streamed on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Email kuchurch@bmts.com to get on the email list and receive live stream invitations.

Recent services can be found on our Youtube Channel:
[KUC YouTube Channel](#)

Services will continue to air on Rogers Cable Channel 6 a week later.
View the schedule here: <https://www.rogerstv.com/schedule?lid=1&rid=75>

You can view some past services online at
<https://www.rogerstv.com/media?lid=237&rid=75> under Access Programming (no cable tv necessary)

HURRICANE RELIEF IN CENTRAL AMERICA

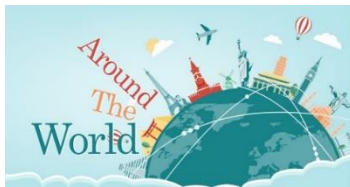
Help support the emergency relief efforts for those affected by Hurricane Iota in Central America, which took the same path as Hurricane Eta just one week earlier. United Church of Canada partners in Central America are deeply concerned about the cumulative impact of both hurricanes on the communities they serve and ask for your prayers. If you wish to donate today, please check out this link: <http://ow.ly/6tty50CpzWw>



THANK YOU!

AROUND THE WORLD IN 60 MINUTES

[Save the date - Sunday January 24, 2021](#)



This will be a fun hour (over ZOOM) where we can all enjoy travel pictures from around the world. It is a fundraiser for the capital fund, and in particular the new HVAC system.

In order to make this fundraiser a success, we need members of the congregation to share pictures from your favourite vacation in advance.

Please contact Mary or John Phillips – 519-396-8448 or 519-955-7448 (cell – text) if you would be willing to help make this a success.



ITEMS FOR SALE

These chairs, dehumidifier and end table are all for sale.

Sale price would be just a donation to the church.

Please contact Ralph Knowles 519-396-5580 to arrange for viewing or pickup.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



Ann Gordon is at Tiverton Park Manor.

Ellie Taylor is in a retirement home near Fergus. If you would like to drop her a note, call Shirley Marie Harris 396-3686 for her address.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Death is a natural part of life. Finding one's way through grief is to realize that there is no right or wrong way to grieve. Your experience of grief will be unique and while grief can be difficult, reaching out for support after a loved one's death can be helpful and comforting.

VON Bereavement Support Groups

Our group services are designed for family members and friends who have experienced a loss through death. We provide a supportive and compassionate atmosphere for sharing and listening. We will be offering confidential video conferencing through the use of Zoom and the sessions run for 8 weeks. Instructions and support will be provided upon registration.

Call Ingrid Bell at 519-376-5895 ext 260 or ingrid.bell@von.ca to register.

Mondays starting October 19-December 7, 2020 2 pm-3:30 pm.

Wednesdays starting November 4-December 9, 2020 6:30 pm- 8:00 pm

One to One Bereavement Supports

VON provides one to one telephone bereavement supports by trained volunteers. We offer a safe environment to grieving individuals where they can speak openly about their feelings. Each individual can expect to receive a weekly call from a trained volunteer once a match has been made.

Understanding Grief- educational presentations

This is a presentation on the fundamentals of grief, including how best to support someone you know who is experiencing grief. Presentations are being offered through Zoom at 11:00 am on the last Thursday of each month. Registration required.

You Are Not Alone

DONATIONS

During these difficult times, making donations to the church is severely hampered!

We have added a couple of options to make on-line donations to the church. These can be found on our church web site

<http://www.kincardineunitedchurch.org>

E-Transfer:

- From the web-site additional instructions will guide you through the process using your own secure bank on-line software!
- With E-Transfer you can make a contribution directly from your bank account to the church bank account.
- The church receives the full amount as there are “no” fees on our end, unlike many other donation methods that charge us a service fee.
- No password is required and the Envelope Steward receives an auto email to update your donation record.

PayPal:

- The second option is PayPal. From the website, a pop-up will link to the secure PayPal web site, where you can use your PayPal account OR use your credit card.

Canada Helps:

- Now there is a third option using Canada Helps. Click on the link and a customized entry form will assist with your donation.

These contributions will be administered by John Phillips – KUC Envelope Steward E-mail: kucesteward@bmts.com and get these donations added to your yearly contribution totals.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS**DECEMBER 20, 2020****HUMANITARIAN AID FOR ROHINGYA**

No person should ever be persecuted because of their religion or culture. No one should have to struggle daily to find enough food, a place to sleep, or simply a place to exist, yet that has happened repeatedly to the Rohingya Muslims in Myanmar. For decades they faced religious and ethnic persecution, which escalated in 2017. They were tortured and killed in Myanmar, and their homes and villages were burned to the ground.

Almost a million escaped to the town of Cox's Bazar in nearby Bangladesh to what became, in November 2018, the largest refugee camp in the world.

ACT Alliance, a Mission & Service global ecumenical partner, is on the ground at the Cox's Bazar refugee camp distributing humanitarian aid in the form of food, shelter materials, warm clothing, hygiene kits, safe water, and emergency medical help. ACT Alliance also hosted the organization Clowns Without Borders to share the importance of hygiene in a fun way. The Cox's Bazar camp is located in a floodplain; mix that with almost a million people and the result can be a variety of diseases, some of them life-threatening. Thanks to ACT Alliance, many of the Rohingya refugees are able to keep disease at bay by using the skills they were taught and the hygiene kits they received.

Through our gifts for Mission & Service, lives are truly saved every day in Cox's Bazar camp.

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.

COVID INFORMATION

Information about Covid19 (Updates, What to do if you have symptoms, Dealing with anxiety, etc.) can be found in this document:

http://kincardineunitedchurch.org/sites/default/files/covid/announcements_-_covid_aug_20_pdf.pdf