

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. – Tuesday Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> 7-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary, following practice is Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>

EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*
Congregational Meeting	Today after worship	Sanctuary
Christmas Eve Candlelight and Carol service	Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup> , 7 p.m.	Sanctuary
Council	Jan. 7 <sup>th</sup> , after worship	TBA
Loaves and Fishes dinner	Jan. 8 <sup>th</sup> , doors open 5:30 pm	F. Hall
UCW North unit	Jan. 8 <sup>th</sup> , 1 p.m.	TBA
Program	Jan. 9 <sup>th</sup> , 7-9 p.m.	Res. room
U.C.W. Sunshine Unit	Jan. 10 <sup>th</sup> , 1-3 p.m.	Choir room

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



There will be a congregational meeting **immediately after worship today in the Sanctuary** for the purpose of considering and approving a budget for Kincardine United Church for 2018.

**CHRISTMAS EVE  
 CANDLELIGHT AND CAROL SERVICE**

**December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM  
 in the Sanctuary.  
 KUCIE Prelude starts at 6:40 PM.**



## UPCOMING ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINES

THE DEADLINE FOR DEC. 24<sup>th</sup> ANNOUNCEMENTS  
Tuesday Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m.

THE DEADLINE FOR DEC. 31<sup>st</sup> ANNOUNCEMENTS IS  
Thursday December 21<sup>st</sup> at 4 p.m.

### **FELLOWSHIP HALL BATHROOM FINALLY COMPLETED**

The Fellowship Hall Bathroom is finally completed with the installation of the base cove moulding.

A big "Thank You" to Kendra Zurbrigg for selecting the colour coordination, Ralph Knowles and Bill McTavish for the difficult task of removing the old floor, Wayne Palmateer for the removal and reinstallation of the toilet etc. and Ralph Knowles for the excellent painting job. Another successful project carried out by the members of Kincardine United Church.

*Jack Nancekivell Property Committee*

**FINAL CHANCE FOR DONATIONS** ... bring your donations to the church by 3 p.m. on December 29<sup>th</sup>. Room location will be posted.



### **Holiday Hours**

**HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS** .... the office will be closed to the public Dec 25 – Jan 1<sup>st</sup> and will reopen Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **GORDS OFFICE HOURS**



**For the week of December 17<sup>th</sup>, Gord's office hours are:**

Monday 1-5 p.m.  
Tuesday 9 a.m. – noon  
Wednesday 9 a.m. – noon

### **ANNUAL REPORTS (SIGH...):**

As the end of 2017 looms, it is time to begin writing your annual reports to summarize the accomplishments, the challenges and the joys of your committee's or your group's mission and ministry for the past year. While it's fresh, jot a few ideas down in preparation for writing your report. An announcement about the deadline for your report will be coming in the New Year. Thank you.

### CHILDREN'S COATS LEFT BEHIND AT CHURCH

Found: A red parka, child's size six, with a fur trimmed hood and a Minion hat in the sleeve. And a children's medium black Ecko Red parka with a fur trimmed hood. If they belong to your child please come to the office to claim.

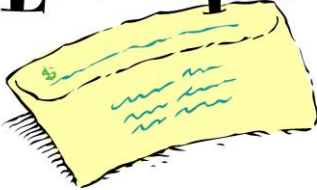
### GORD'S STUDY LEAVE



Gord will be away on study leave from Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 inclusive. While Gord is away, if you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Rev. Janet McDonald at 519-389-5675 (minister at Underwood-Wesley United Pastoral Charge). Gord will be reading three books during that time:

- "Time: From Famine to Feast" by Donna Schaper,
- "Soul Keeping: Caring for the Most Important Part of You" by John Ortberg, and
- "Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life" by Richard Rohr

### Offering Envelopes



**2018 BOXED OFFERING ENVELOPES** .... Boxed offering envelopes for 2018 are ready to be picked up in the Narthex. Some different envelope numbers have been assigned for 2018. Please continue to use your remaining 2017 envelopes before starting 2018! If you didn't receive your envelopes and/or wish to receive a set of envelopes for 2018 and/or changed your mind and wish to become a PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance subscriber), please contact the Envelope Steward or the church office. Thank you!!

### QUESTERS



Questers will meet in the Kincardine United Church kitchen at Jan 18, Feb 15, 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.

**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).

## Program Calendar



**Sunday Dec 24 10:30 AM Advent 4**

**Preaching – Gord Dunbar**

**Sermon: “Here I Am, Servant”**

**7 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight  
& Carol Service**

**Sunday Dec 31 First Sunday after Christmas**

**Guest Preacher – Doug Brown**

### SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS KETTLES – YOUR HELP WANTED



There is a need for some help with the kettle shifts in Kincardine. We have three locations that will have kettles this year Sobey's starting Dec 11 to 23, LCBO Dec 14 to 16 & Dec 21 to 23 and No Frills Dec 18 to 20. For the kettle shifts anyone is welcome to do it. All that have to do is stay with the money, say hi to people and hand out candy canes/prayer cards.

If you are wanting to take part please call Kendal Irvin 519-955-0887.

# Christmas Day Community Meal

Sign up sheet in  
Fellowship Hall.

This meal is *not*  
just for low-  
income families.



**Monday, December 25, 2017**

Doors open at 12:30 p.m. with Dinner at 1:00 p.m.

**For planning purposes and to save your spot  
please call Sam or Heather at 519-396-2001  
by Wednesday, December 20th**

**Homemade turkey dinner and all the trimmings**

**All are welcome**

**No charge (freewill offering)**

**St. Anthony's of Padua Catholic Church Hall  
749 Russell Street, Kincardine**



# Loaves & Fishes

FOOD • FELLOWSHIP • FUN

**DATE:** January 8, 2017

**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 v Church hosts a Loaves and Fishes dinner. **Everyone** is invited – to share fellowship, laughter and food. There is always a great variety to eat. No one goes home hungry! Unlike Jesus, we may not feed 5,000, but all who attend leave satisfied.

Bring a friend. Bring a stranger. Even bring family! Come alone and make new friends. Don't cook, not enough time to cook or shop? Come anyway. You're always welcome!

## BOSTON PIZZA



Please continue to bring in your Sunday receipts and place them in the jar on the table in the Narthex or put them into our receipt box in the restaurant.

Our Church receives 10% of Sunday sales – any time of day on any Sunday! Thank you!!!

## I DIDN'T KNOW...!



It must be frustrating when you need a visit and no one knows. Kincardine United Church is so blessed to have people who are willing to visit folks who are less able to attend worship, or who are ill or in hospital. Let us know if you want a visit. Let us know if you wish to be one of those visiting. This is how we make our community of faith ever stronger. Contact Melinda Smegal at 519-396-7184 when you want a visit or if you wish to become a trained visitor.



## 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 Administration - Donna Mowry  
Chair of Program - Jackie Clements  
UCW Secretary – Dianne Henkenhaf

Membership & Mission committee members (no chairperson)

Liz Dillman  
Jean Johnson  
Charles Ludlow  
Bernd Portz  
Ursula Portz  
Krista Ritchie  
Melinda Smegal

Property Ministry Team

Ron Elliott  
Bev Jennings  
Ralph Knowles  
Bill MacTavish  
Dotty McClelland  
Jack Nancekivell  
Ron Smith  
Gerry Stephens

## MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

DECEMBER 17, 2017

### SUPPORTING LOCAL CHURCHES

Our gifts for Mission & Service offer support to congregations. Let us hear a story from central Newfoundland.

Worship is at 3:00 p.m. at Northern Arm Pastoral Charge, a four-point pastoral charge. Its members feel this is a convenient time for worshippers to gather. It also gives folks of other traditions who are curious a good opportunity to check the church out.

Northern Arm is a warm, welcoming pastoral charge of The United Church of Canada on the beautiful Bay of Exploits. Worship is held in one of its beautiful churches each week.

The charge receives a Mission Support Grant funded by Mission & Service. At the end of each year, if any funds are left over, Northern Arm makes a donation to Mission & Service in the spirit of gratitude to pay it forward.

We sing thanksgiving for the giving heart of communities of faith whose gifts for Mission & Service change lives and offer hope!

If Mission & Service is already a regular part of your giving, thank you so much! If you have not given for Mission & Service, please join me in making Mission & Service a regular part of your life of faith. In all our Mission & Service giving, with a willing heart, we sing thanksgiving to God!