This Week in the Life & 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.

TRAVEL AROUND THE WORLD VIDEO

The travel webinar last Sunday was a great success. If you missed it, a recording is available on Kincardine United Church YouTube channel. A link can be found on our website, or use the following: <u>https://youtu.be/Bc5d6Louwpk</u>.



DIFFERENT KIND OF PANCAKE SUPPER

The M&M Committee regrets that we will not be able to gather for our Shrove Tuesday Pancake/Sausage supper on Tuesday, February 16 this year. We know we will all miss this deelish, social time.

The next best thing is to share all our own pancake suppers with others through photos. Take a fun photograph of you



and your family members mixing, prepping, eating and enjoying pancakes at your home.

Email your Pancake Supper photo to the church office (<u>kuchurch@bmts.com</u>) asap after Feb.16th and we will

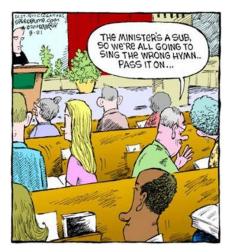


do the rest to share your pictures during an upcoming Sunday service. Enjoy those pancakes!

GORD'S AWAY ON HOLIDAY

Gord will be taking holidays from Monday, January 25th to Sunday, February 7th, 2021 inclusive. It will be a time for family and for friends by Zoom, for sleeping in, for battery recharging, for reading novels and for time to disconnect from the demands of my ministry.

For emergency pastoral care while Gord is away, please contact Rev. Marsha Roberts, the minister at Bervie United Church and St. Andrews United Church in Ripley, at 519-270-9883. Thank you.



NEW JOB TITLE FOR THE ENVELOPE STEWARD!

The Envelope Steward is **now the Donation Steward**. Everything stays the same, just an updated job title to better reflect the duties going forward. Anyone wishing to use numbered box envelopes for 2021 to contact John Phillips, Donation Steward, Email: kucestward@bmts.com

DONATION TAX RECEIPTS are almost ready...

Many have already signed up to receive their donation receipt via email, if you have not or are not certain contact the Donation Steward. To ensure a smooth delivery for both paper and email, we need to have your updated address, email, etc. please contact Donation Steward ASAP. Email: kucesteward@bmts.com



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE



Lent begins on **Wednesday, February 17**th on Ash Wednesday. Join us at **7:00 p.m.** for a live streamed worship service to mark the beginning of this season of contemplation, of spiritual deepening, of study, of prayer and of fasting. Since we will be unable to worship in person to experience the *imposition of the ashes*, if you contact Gord at <u>gord.kuc@bmts.com</u>, we will arrange for ashes to be delivered to your home. These ashes will come from burning the palm fronds left over from Palm Sunday last year. You will be invited to mix them with a little bit of water and draw a cross of ashes on your own forehead or on the back of your hand as part of the service.

PROGRAMME CALENDAR

SUNDAY, Feb. 7th 10:30 AM 1st Sunday of Black History Month Worship: Judy Zarubick Meditation: Seeking Renewable Strength

SUNDAY, Feb. 14st 10:30 AM

Transfiguration Sunday Worship: Gord Dunbar Meditation: Transparent Shining



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

Recent services can be found on our Youtube Channel: KUC YouTube Channel

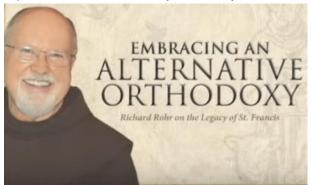
Services will continue to air on Rogers Cable Channel 6 a week later. View the schedule here: <u>https://www.rogerstv.com/schedule?lid=1&rid=75</u>

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

EMBRACING AN ALTERNATIVE ORTHODOXY – A ZOOM ENABLED STUDY

Father Richard Rohr introduces an orthodoxy lost to much of contemporary Christianity – an orthodoxy rooted in Franciscan theology and practice, an orthodoxy biblically

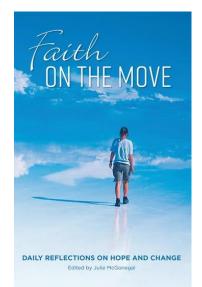
grounded, an orthodoxy which is personally challenging and ultimately liberating. Through five engaging video segments accompanied by some thought-provoking digital hand-outs, this study will embark on a faith journey which is simultaneously ancient and modern. Each session includes a 10-15-minute DVD presentation by Father Richard Rohr, followed by a 10-15-minute filmed interaction with a



small group of adults. No previous experience is needed. If you wish to be part of this study, please e-mail Gord at <u>gord.kuc@bmts.com</u>. Wednesdays by Zoom link from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on February 24th ("Atonement Theology"), March 10th ("Eco-Spirituality"), 17th ("The Cosmic Christ"), 24th ("Orthodoxy vs. Orthopraxy") and 31st ("Mysticism over Moralism"). Join us for this engaging and enlightening study.

FAITH ON THE MOVE: DAILY REFLECTIONS ON HOPE AND CHANGE

There will be ten copies of this book available by Sunday, February 14th – *for free* – for those wishing to reflect on your faith this Lent. Our spiritual practices carry us through the times of transition in our lives. This pandemic is certainly a time of change and of disruption when we wander in a metaphorical desert. For migrants, for refugees, for immigrants and for others, the journey is more than a metaphor. In this Lenten devotional, daily reflections written by diverse contributors invite us to reflect on, and to embody, God's welcome and love for people who are on the move for a variety of reasons. If you wish to have a copy of this book delivered to your home, please contact Gord at <u>gord.kuc@bmts.com</u>.



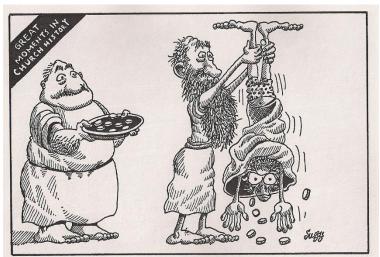
ONLINE STUDY OF "FAITH ON THE MOVE"

The United Church of Canada is offering a webinar for one hour every Tuesday based on the book "Faith on the Move." If you receive a copy of the book and you wish to join the webinar study, please contact Gord by above email. The webinars require a tablet or a computer and will be held on the following dates:

Tuesday, February 23^{rd} at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 2^{nd} at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 9^{th} at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 16^{th} at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 23^{rd} at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 30^{th} at 1:00 p.m.



The webinar will be led by Julie McGonegal who is a writer and an editor who delights in language that dwells in the intersection of spirituality and social justice. She has a Ph.D. in English literature from McMaster University and has taught immigrant and Indigenous literature at various Ontario universities. Julie is the author of *Imagining Justice: The Politics of Postcolonial Forgiveness and Reconciliation* (McGill-Queen's University Press, 2009), and co-editor of *Literature for Our Times* (Rodopi, 2012). She lives with her partner of 25 years and her three children in Barrie, Ontario, on the traditional territory of Haudenosaunee and Anishnaabeg peoples. At the Annual Congregational Budget meeting in December of 2019, a Financial Task Group was mandated to work at discovering how to ensure our financial well-being as a community of faith into the future. This dedicated group of people worked at options for cutting expenses, increasing revenues and establishing a plan for the future. Here are the outcomes of that task group's efforts at the conclusion of their work.



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IN ORDER TO MAKE THE FIRST MISSIONARY OFFERING, EARLY CHRISTIANS ROB FROM PETER TO PAY PAUL.

- Creative ideas for future directions were shared with Council in September 2020.
- A Legacy Giving Ministry Team was formed by Council in October 2020 and two presentations have been shared during live streamed worship in December 2020 and in January 2021.
- An ad hoc small group took specialized training from our Stewardship and Special Gifts Officer, Rev. Dave Jagger, from November 2020 through January 2021, forming a tentative plan for the next two years. Dave will be checking our progress on that plan in six months to keep us on track.

WEEKLY DEADLINE FOR ANNOUNCEMENT INFORMATION Submit information to <u>kuchurch@bmts.com</u> by 4 PM on TUESDAYS

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



Is your Heart: Broken? Lost? Stuck?

A powerful, dynamic, sensible and accessible program that is genuinely for anyone willing to take the necessary actions to help themselves.

The Grief Recovery Program has been used effectively by hundreds of thousands of grievers all over the world to assist people in recovering from any loss, including death, divorce, loss of health, job loss, pet loss and moving. This program will also assist those suffering from the loss of security, freedom and trust due to the pandemic.

We aren't going to tell you we know how you feel because we don't. Neither does anyone else. What we will do is provide a safe environment where you will be given specific tools to help you recover from loss and ultimately lead a happier life.

Currently The Grief Recovery Method is being done on-line in one-on-one sessions.

Don't wait any longer - time alone will not heal your broken heart.

For more information contact:

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Or visit our website: www.griefrecoverymethod.com