

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.

ANNOUNCEMENT INFORMATION DEADLINE IS TUESDAY AT 4 P.M.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Choir – meets Thursdays 2-3 p.m. in the Sanctuary
and Sundays 9:45 in the Choir room

K.U.C.I.E. – Tuesdays 7-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary

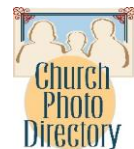
EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*
Council	March 3 rd , 7-9 p.m.	Kitchen
World Day of Prayer service	March 6 th , 2:00 p.m.	Sanctuary
Loaves & Fishes Potluck	March 9 th , doors open 5:30 p.m.	F. Hall
UCW Sunshine unit	March 11 th , 1 – 3 p.m.	Choir room
Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy	March 11 th , 2 - 3:30p.m.	Kitchen**
	March 11 th , 7 - 8:30 p.m.	Choir room**
Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy	March 18 th , 2 - 3:30p.m.	Kitchen
	March 18 th , 7 - 8:30 p.m.	Choir room
Service of Prayers for Healing	March 22 nd , 7 p.m.	Sanctuary
Property ministry	March 24 th , 9 – 10 a.m.	Res. room
Administration	March 24 th , 10 a.m. – noon	Res. room

**These classes may be moved to the Fellowship hall, depending on attendance.

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

SMILE!

The M&M Committee is coordinating a 2020 KUC Photo Directory. More info to follow. **We need 2 people to take photos of groups, special events, etc.** If you are interested in helping out, please contact Melinda Smegal (phone number in current directory & printed announcements), or call the church office.



U.C.W. SUNSHINE MEETING



Wednesday March 11th at 1 p.m. in the Choir room.

A guest speaker will discuss the Multicultural Festival.

Roll call: Talking about your culture (Scottish, Irish, ..etc etc)



AV MINISTRY TEAM 📺 Thank you

COUNTERS 💰 Angela & Don Hazlewood

MARCH HOUSE LEADERS 🏠 Joan and John Gillespie

MUSIC 🎵 David Hamilton, KUC Choir

NURSERY ATTENDANT ♦ Thank you

SCRIPTURE READER 📖 Pam Plagos

SLIDE PRESENTATION ♦ Sarah MacKenzie

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ♦ Teresa Perfrement

WORSHIP 🕊️ Gord Dunbar

PROGRAMME CALENDAR

SUNDAY, March 8th **10:30 AM** **2nd SUNDAY OF LENT**
Worship: Kevin Hart
Meditation: TBA

SUNDAY, March 15th **10:30 AM** **3rd SUNDAY OF LENT**
Worship: Gord Dunbar
Meditation: TBA

SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR HEALING
SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND AT 7:00 P.M.



Join us for this special, intimate and contemplative service in the lona tradition. Too often in our living we struggle with woundedness – whether of the body, of the mind or of the spirit. Come and discover a place of healing for your soul rooted in Gord Dunbar’s sabbatical experience on the Scottish island of Iona where Celtic Christianity flourishes and transforms.

GORD’S STUDY LEAVE

Gord will be away on study leave from Monday, March 2nd to Sunday, March 8th inclusive. He is hoping to read three books during that week, delving deeply into their insights. The books are “On Being a Gay Parent: Making a Future Together” by Brett Webb-Mitchell, “A Family Outing: A Memoir” by Ruby Remenda Swanson and “What’s So Amazing About Grace?” by Philip Yancey. While Gord is away, **emergency pastoral**



care will be provided by Rev. Vicki Johnson, minister at Pine River United Church. She can be reached on her cell phone at 519-807-8519.

OUR REFUGEE FAMILY IS COMING – SOON!

Within the next few weeks, our community's refugee family is coming. The Steering Committee is seeking donations for the family – initially in money – to secure an appropriate house for them, to purchase those items that the government requires to be new and to cover future costs such as healthcare, medications, dental care, eye care, vehicle insurance, etc.

Cheques can be made out to Kincardine United Church with a memo line "Refugee Family."

We will remit the money to the Refugee Steering Committee and your donation will be added to your income tax receipt from us. If you are wanting to help purchase other supplies for the family, go to the Refugee Committee's Facebook page

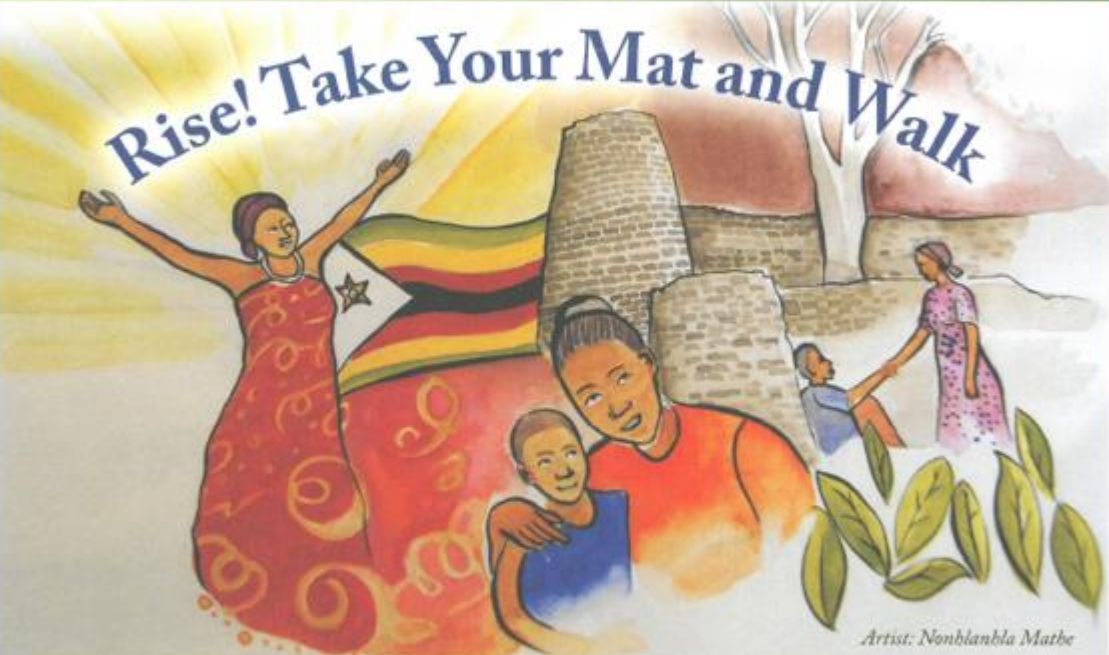
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where there is a link to a lengthy list of items with instructions on how to access the list.



 **World Day of Prayer** **2020**
Journée mondiale de la prière

Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk



Artist: Nonblanbla Mathe

FRIDAY MARCH 6, 2020 AT 2 P.M.
IN THE KINCARDINE UNITED
CHURCH SANCTUARY

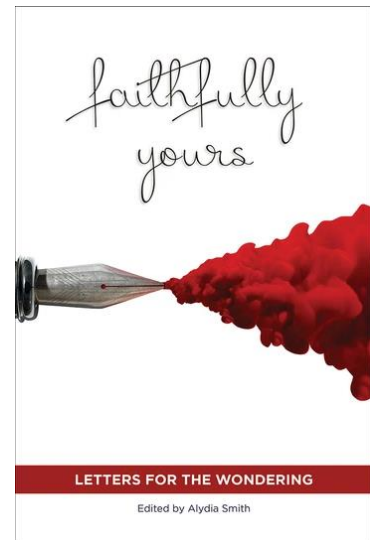
Thank you to all of you making donations, for you are making a difference in the community and in the world.

FAITHFULLY YOURS: LETTERS FOR THE WONDERING

There are eight copies of this book available for free for those wishing to reflect on your faith this Lent. Inside is a reflection for each day of Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday on February 26th. Each week has a subtitle:

- Week One: When Temptation is Calling
- Week Two: When the Road is Winding
- Week Three: When your Cup is Overflowing
- Week Four: When your Heart is Breaking
- Week Five: When your Faith is Growing
- Week Six: When the Storm is Raging
- Holy Week: When your Hope is Fading
- Easter: When only Love Remains

As editor Alydia smith writes in the forward, "As I grow in my faith, I now understand the Bible not as a love letter from God, but as a shoebox of love letters between a people and their maker. The letters and stories grow in intimacy and importance as we grow in deeper relationship with our maker and each other." Copies are available at the back of the worship space. As you use the book for reflection, enjoy!



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St. Vincent's

"You're in a rut, Reverend. Every time I come here, you preach about the Resurrection."

TELL GORD THE PREACHING TOPIC

Have you ever wanted to hear a worship service addressing a topic that interests you, about which you always wanted to explore, something you've never heard before? Now is your chance. There will be a suggestion box at the back of the worship space for your topic or theme suggestions. Beside the suggestion box, slips of paper will be available to make your suggestion. If you wish to make a suggestion to Gord electronically, just send an e-mail to Gord at gord.kuc@bmts.com and he will put it into the box. On the Sunday immediately before, a topic or theme will be blindly picked by a member of the congregation from the box for Gord to use the following Sunday. The draws will be held to provide the focus for the Sundays of April 26th, May 3rd and May 10th. Maybe you'll tie Gord in knots as he takes only a week to figure it out.

UPDATE: TAX RECEIPTS

All 2019 charitable donation tax receipts have now been picked up or mailed out. Many thanks to those of you who collected yours in person, which saved a good deal of postage costs. More importantly, thank you for your generous donations in support of the ministry and mission of Kincardine United Church.



If you did not receive a receipt, or have any questions, contact: John Phillips, Email: kucesteward@bmts.com

Loaves & Fishes Potluck



DATE: March 9th
SOCIAL TIME: 5:30 pm
DINNER: 6:00 pm

We invite everyone to join us for our Potluck Dinner and share friendship, laughter and food. Please bring friends, family and what you are able for food. As those who attend our monthly Loaves and Fishes Potluck know, there is always a large variety of food and more than enough to feed all who come to our table. If you are not able to bring food, bring your smiles and friendship.

If you are unable to carry your dish into the Friendship Hall there will be a cart at the side entrance you can put it on and we will bring it down. If you need assistance carrying it from your car just let us know and we will bring it in for you.

*“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.
²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied.”* Matthew 14:18-20

LOOKING FOR AN EASY WAY TO VOLUNTEER?



Looking for a way to help, but can't commit to a lot of time??
Helping, with an experienced partner, to set up for Communion will work for you!
And it's only once a year!
An additional person is needed for each of, August 23, Oct. 4, and next Jan.'s Communions- 3 people in total.
Please contact Marion Brown, 396-3509, or marbrown361@gmail.com if you can help.
You will be much appreciated!!

NEW!
FOR ROOM BOOKINGS, CHANGES & CANCELLATIONS
FOR ALL MEETINGS & EVENTS IN THE CHURCH

1. For **new bookings** visit:

<http://www.kincardineunitedchurch.org/content/booking-room>

2. For **changes or cancellations** to current bookings contact
Judy Zarubick and Liz Dillman (our new Booking Facilitators)
via this link

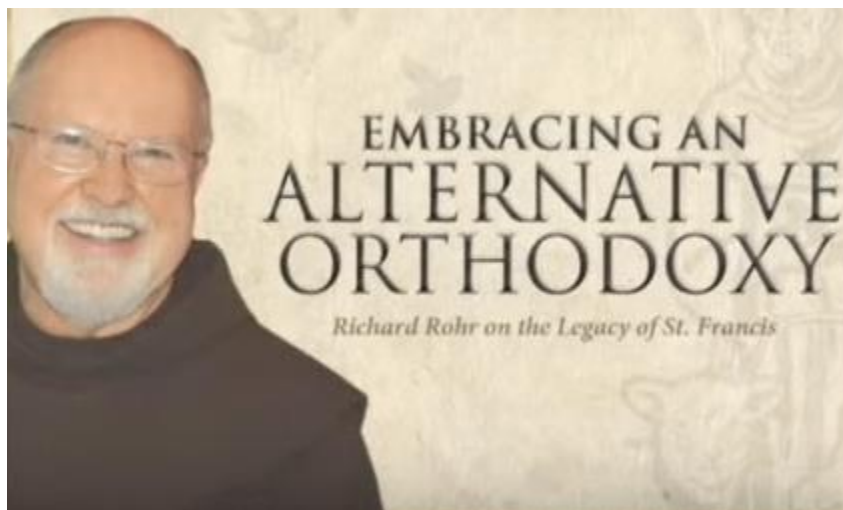
<http://www.kincardineunitedchurch.org/contact/Booking-Facilitators>

3. Remember to **email Sarah** at kuchurch@bmts.com
if you want announcement about the event/group,
and send her the text you would like to be included

EMBRACING AN ALTERNATIVE ORTHODOXY

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 hand-outs, this study will embark on a faith journey 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. Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall. Two times are available and interchangeable. **Wednesdays in the Choir Room from either 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on March 11th ("Atonement Theology"), 18th ("Eco-Spirituality"), 25th ("The Cosmic Christ"), April 1st ("Orthodoxy vs. Orthopraxy") and 8th ("Mysticism over Moralism").** Join us for this engaging study.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY IS LOOKING FOR STUDY PARTICIPANTS IN OUR AREA

Researchers from Queen's University are conducting a study to learn more about the successes of (unpaid) caregivers and about what influences family and friend caregivers' decisions to reach out for support and services.



Being in this study will involve:

- Completing a short background questionnaire for about 10 minutes.
- Participating in a one on one interview for approximately 40–60 minutes with a researcher, in your home or wherever you would be comfortable

There is no cost for you to participate in the study. If you would like more information about participating, please contact Jodi Webber at 647 284 1830 or by email jodi.webber@queensu.ca

THANK YOU FEBRUARY HOUSE

The Ritchies want to extend a warm thank you to members of the “February House”! House members operated the elevator, greeted, read scripture, baked cookies, provided post service coffee time and placed plants in the sanctuary! If you are not currently in a “house month” and you feel like you are ready to be more involved in the life and work of KUC, please let Judy Zarubick know at 519-386-1440.

You are never asked to do a task you are not comfortable with!!

We appreciate the effort, team February!!! *Morgan, Lydia and Krista Ritchie*

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

During Lent this year we will be welcoming those who wish to become members of Kincardine United Church. 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 witness as part of this wonderfully diverse family of faith.



MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MARCH 1, 2020

SUPPORTING MINISTERS FINANCIALLY

The Financial Assistance Committee of The United Church of Canada oversees nine funds to support ministry personnel and lay members during times of extraordinary financial hardship, personal or vocational assessment, post-secondary education, and sabbatical leave. Three funds are supported by Mission & Service.

The Support and Advocacy Fund provides financial assistance for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and Two-Spirit ministry personnel who are experiencing difficulties in maintaining employment in the church because of their known or perceived sexual orientation or identity.

The Personnel Emergency Fund provides financial support to a pastoral charge to fulfill their obligation of salary continuance to ministry personnel and congregational designated ministers who are on administrative leave or suspension, as part of a disciplinary process.

The Fund for Survivors of Sexual Misconduct assists with the costs of counselling for two distinct groups. First, ministry personnel who are survivors of sexual abuse are supported to stay in active ministry while participating in therapy. Second, individuals who have experienced sexual misconduct in a United Church context are provided with financial contributions toward the cost of counselling to enhance their healing. One recent recipient says, "It has been a long journey. I am deeply grateful to The United Church of Canada for caring about victims of sexual abuse. I hope for my own healing and for the healing of others."

Your gifts to Mission & Service help support ministry personnel, lay individuals, and pastoral charges with important financial assistance during difficult circumstances. 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.