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 7-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary

EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*				
Soup & Sandwich Lunch	Nov. 12 th , after service	F. Hall				
Kincardine United Church Strong	Nov. 12 th & 19 th after service	F. Hall				
Retreat						
UCW North	Nov. 14 th , 1-3 p.m.	Donna Thacker's				
(Roll call: Remembrance day verse)						
Animate: Faith	Nov. 14 th , 1:30 p.m.	Choir room				
Program	Nov. 14 th , 7-9 p.m.	Res. Room				
Questers	Nov. 16 th , 6-9 p.m.	Kitchen				
Festive Gift and Goodie Sale	Nov. 18 th , 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Knox Church				
Saugeen Grannies Jewelry Sale	Nov. 18 th , 1-3 p.m.	F. Hall				
UCW Lighthouse	Nov. 20 th , 7-9 p.m.	TBA				
Membership & Mission	Nov. 21 st , 7-9 p.m.	Jean Johnson's				
UCW General Meeting	Nov. 27 th , 1 p.m.	F. Hall				
Dory Lunch	Nov. 28 th , 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	F. Hall				
Property	Nov. 28 th , 9 – 10 a.m.	Res. Room				
Administration	Nov. 28 th , 10 a.m. – noon	Res. room				
(*F. Hall = Fellowship Hall, Res. Room = Resource room)						



SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCH TODAY

UCW Lighthouse unit is holding a soup and sandwich lunch today in the Fellowship Hall. Your freewill offerings will be appreciated.



KINCARDINE UNITED CHURCH STRONG ... Let's discover how we are strong. Once we figure out our strengths we can grow into what God is calling us to become. Everyone will have a voice as we retreat. That's right! We're going to have two consecutive mini-retreats at the church. Come for worship, enjoy lunch after and stay for the retreat. Each retreat will be held from noon to 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 12th and 19th. See you there!

UCW GENERAL MEETING

Monday, November 27, at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

All ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend.

THINKING ABOUT BAPTISM?



The sacrament of baptism will be celebrated on **Sunday**, **January 14**th, **2018** during worship. If you know of someone who is thinking about being baptised, please contact Gord at 519-396-2391, extension 2 to make arrangements to explore the possibilities. Isn't it cool how this family of faith keeps growing!

QUESTERS "Questers" will meet in the Kincardine United Church Kitchen at 6 p.m. on



Nov. 16th and Dec. 14th. We will have a short meditation/service followed by a light meal. You do not need to contribute any food. We will watch a 20-minute segment of "Living the Questions 2.0" and finish with a discussion period. Each session is independent of the previous one.

FESTIVE GIFT AND GOODIE SALE



This annual fundraiser is being held **November 18th from 10 a.m.** to 1 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church.

Your donations of new crafts, sewing, knitting, baking, and preserves are greatly appreciated. Items for sale may be brought to the Presbyterian church on Friday, Nov. 17th between 10:30 a.m. and noon.

Baking may be brought between 9-9:30 a.m. the morning of the sale. This is a great time to do your Christmas Shopping and buy Christmas baking to freeze. Family and Friends can also enjoy a delicious lunch. See you there!



THE SHORTBREAD PROJECT - BAKERS NEEDED!

Tins can be dropped off in Fellowship Hall anytime leading up to the sale. Donations of shortbread need to be at the church by 2 pm on Friday November 17. Anyone interested in helping with this part of the project can call Krista Ritchie 396-5453.

2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES & PAR



With the new year only two months away, it's time to begin planning for 2018. For those in the congregation presently using weekly offering envelopes, the envelopes will be available in mid-December. The 2017 envelope number assignments will be updated and changed for 2018, so if you have grown fond of a specific number we can only offer you the promise of change. ©

If you do not presently use offering envelopes and would like to do so, please contact the Envelope Steward (Rod Coates) or the church office.

Many of the congregation have opted to become Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) subscribers. In fact, more members of the congregation now use PAR than offering envelopes. While any time is a good time to consider how you support your church, now is an especially good time as offering envelopes are being assigned and distributed. Some of the advantages of PAR are:

- PAR allows members & adherents to give faithfully to the church even when they are not able to be there in person.
- PAR offerings are transferred automatically to the Kincardine United Church bank account monthly, which makes budgeting and planning easier.
- PAR donations can be changed or cancelled at any time.
- PAR avoids paperwork for the Sunday offering counters and the envelope steward. (Yes, it's all about <u>us</u>, isn't it?) This reduces carbon footprint and management of used offering envelopes, which must be retained for 7 years. There is <u>no</u> paperwork involved once PAR is set up.
- Anytime anyone is up to PAR it's a good thing!

Please consider PAR as one of the ways in which you can support Kincardine United Church.

GORD'S OFFICE HOURS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 13

Monday 1-5 p.m. and Wednesday 9 a.m. – noon. Drop by and say hi!



SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MEETING

The Sunday School Teachers Ministry Team will meet on Sunday Nov 19 at

9:30 am in the Resource Room. Anyone interested in Sunday School is welcome to attend.

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.

SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR HEALING HAS BEEN POSTPONED



This special Service of Prayers for Healing in the Iona Tradition has been postponed to Sunday January 28th at 7:30 p.m.

REFUGEES WELCOME ~ COMMUNITY MEETING

Kincardine Refugee Sponsorship Committee Reviewing the year and planning for the future Wanted: Volunteers who want to make a difference!

Knox Presbyterian Church Thurs. Nov. 16th at 7 p.m. (babysitting provided)

EXPLORE FAITH THROUGH CONTEMPORARY VOICES



Wrestling with faith, living into our doubts, struggling with difficult questions - this is what Animate: FAITH helps us to engage. No experience is necessary.

Join us *Tuesdays* 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. (November 14th, 28th) or Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. (November 16th and 23rd) starting with a 10minute DVD on:

GOD - Faith is a quest. RELIGION - Spirituality is not enough.

JESUS - the Revolution of love.

SALVATION - Abundant life now.

CROSS - Where God is. BIBLE - a Book like no other.

CHURCH - an Imperfect family.

DIVING DEEPLY INTO PARABLES



Ever turned yourself upside down to understand the stories Jesus shared with his followers? Ever wondered if these stories have any meaning for us in today's increasingly

complex world? Ever been intimidated by Bible study because you are afraid what others will think of what you (don't) know? Join us for discussions on the stories Jesus

told which we call parables. Knowing that no experience with the Bible is necessary, come on out to see what nuggets of meaning can be uncovered when everyone feels like you do on **Sundays** 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. (November 26th.)

HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Come one, come all, to be part of a group of Christmas carolers celebrating Jesus' birth. We will be singing at the corner of Queen Street and Harbour Street as people shop and walk by. It would be wonderful to have all churches represented as this is a ministerial event. Come at 6:15 p.m. to start singing at 6:30 p.m. Call Teresa at 396-3938 if you need more information.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUGGESTIONS! Earlier this year, Council asked the congregation for suggestions targeting various improvements that would increase the functionality or improve the appearance of our church. Many suggestions were submitted, and Council has subsequently obtained cost estimates for most of these suggestions. The updated Project Wish List will allow Council to allocate funds as they become available and permit members of the congregation to target donations for a project they would like to see completed. This also allows us to manage bequests in accordance with our Memorial Gifts Policy. This list will be updated periodically as projects are completed and new ones are identified.

Kincardine United Church Project Wish List

Project Name	Description	Cost Estimate	Classification	Priority	Status
Fellowship Hall Washroom Floor	Replace washroom floor with new tile flooring	\$1000	Maintenance	High	Complete
Paint Sanctuary	Repair damaged plaster, prime and paint.	\$32,00- \$40,000	Maintenance	Medium	
New Choir Gowns	Replace current 1994- vintage gowns (20).	\$2,000- \$3,000	Improvement	Medium	
Replace Sanctuary Carpet	Replace the sanctuary carpet	TBD	Maintenance	Medium	
Replace North Roof	Remove existing shingles, replace with metal roof matching South Roof	\$50,000- \$60,000	Maintenance	High	
Washroom Upgrades	Replace fixtures in all washrooms	TBD	Maintenance	High	
Choir Seating	Re-arrange choir seating and provide new seats. Possible movement of choir pews	\$120- \$130 per chair	Improvement	Medium	
Second monitor for A/V booth	Second video monitor to allow viewing of service recording		Improvement	High	In Progress
USB Splitter for A/V booth			Improvement	High	In Progress
Learning Centre 2 nd Floor Washroom Doors	Re-hang washroom doors such that they swing open and improve accessibility		Improvement	High	
Electronic Sign	Install 2-sided electronic billboard-style sign on Princes Street to communicate church news and events	\$10,000- \$15,000	Improvement	Medium	

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DATE: November 13, 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. ²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied." Matthew 14:18-20

Each month Kincardine United 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!

UPCOMING DATES: December 11 – Advent

January 8, 2018

Program Calendar



Sunday Nov 19 24th Sunday after Pentecost Preaching – Gord Dunbar

Sermon: "Buried by Wrong Expectations"

Sunday Nov 26 Reign of Christ

Preaching – Gord Dunbar

Sermon: "Reign, Reign, Go Away"

BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS OF KINCARDINE





Saturday Dec. 2nd 8 a.m. – 11 p.m. in KUC Fellowship Hall

Wanted: Donations of your unneeded Christmas season supplies!

Items **must** be in working/usable condition!!

They accept lights, gift wrap, trees, garland, kitchen items, interior decor, music, tacky sweaters, ornaments, etc.

Clean out your house and help provide mentoring to youth in your community.

DONATION DROP OFF:

DEC. 1st, 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. *

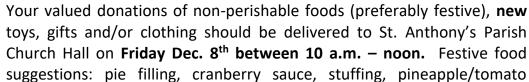
at K.U.C. in the Fellowship Hall (please use ramp entrance on Russell St.)

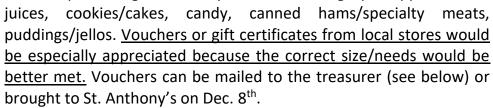
*You need to make arrangements with Big Brothers & Big Sisters to drop off items before Dec. 1st @ 3 pm. Call 519-396-3565 or email bbrosis@bmts.com. Thanks!

CHRISTMAS HAMPER DONATIONS

Whole Berry CRANBERRY SAUCE

This program assists those who are in need at Christmas time!





Please send monetary donations to the treasurer – Rhodora Doughty, Box 527, Kincardine, ON N2Z 2Y9, *Cheques payable to Kincardine Community Services Association*, please. The Christmas Knights drive is part of this program. Contacts: Heather Finnie, 396-2001, Barb Burgess 396-8345, Rhodora Doughty 396-4368.

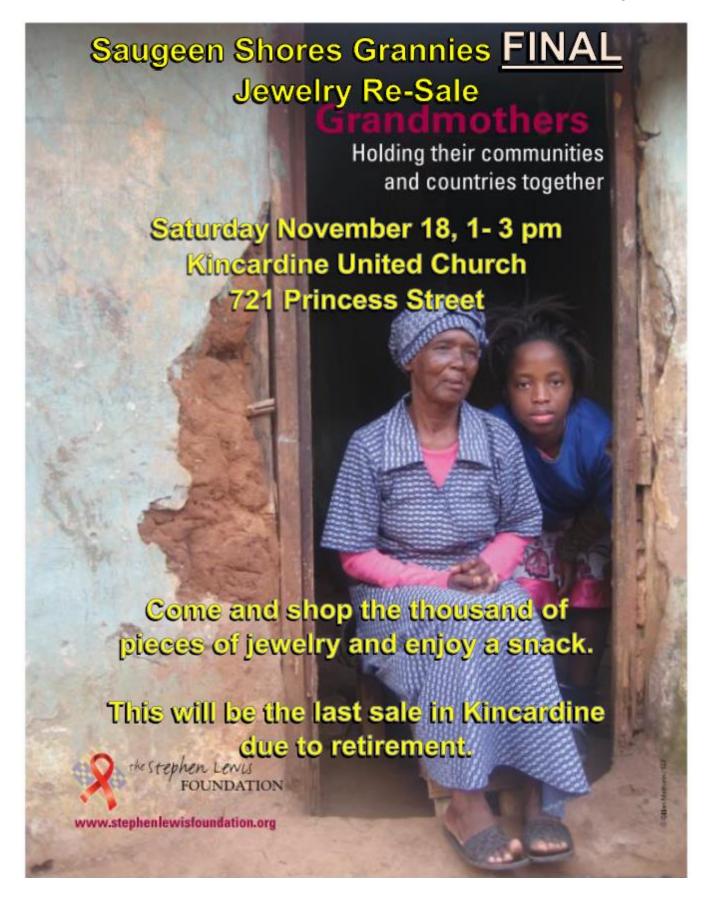


If you have a concern, request or suggestion, please direct it to an appropriate volunteer. Thank you.

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

NOVEMBER 12, 2017

EDGE Social Innovation Challenge

Our gifts for Mission & Service co-funded the first bilingual Social Innovation Challenge in Montreal, Quebec, in May 2016. Let us hear about that event.

Le défi : Innovons ensemble brought together more than 80 people excited to share their innovative ideas to make a difference in their communities and the world. Participants spent time with coaches to prepare their one-minute pitches. After 35 ideas were pitched to the assembled crowd, everyone voted for their top three ideas.

The following morning 11 projects moved to round two, but in the spirit of community and collaboration, everyone was invited to stay and participate. There were opportunities to network, learn, and help the finalists perfect their next pitch. The second round of pitches allowed the innovators three minutes to present their ideas to the judges.

The judges came from a variety of backgrounds. They offered feedback to the presenters and then gathered to select the winning ideas.

The United Church was well represented, with five projects initiated by United Church ministries, three of which made the final round. These included Mission & Service—supported Montreal City Mission's idea, a kindness map; La présence, pitched by Mission & Service—supported United Theological College; and Dans les pas du Sauveur—an initiative with widows and orphans in Ivory Coast—pitched by I'Église Unie St-Marc, which won the People's Choice Award.

We sing thanksgiving for the many ways Mission & Service partners create innovative ministry!

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!