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.

WE NEED YARDS TO CLEAN



Do you have a yard that will need leaves and stray branches picked up this fall – especially when you can't do it anymore? Do you wish there was a group of youth willing to do it for you – FREE? On **Wednesday, November 4**th, volunteers from the Big Brothers and Big Sisters will be available for that purpose for up to four

small- to medium-sized properties. Work will be completed while strictly observing pandemic safety protocols. Properties will be scheduled on a first-come, first served basis, so contact Gord Dunbar (gord.kuc@bmts.com or at



519-386-6346) to get on the list. Thank you to Big Sisters and Big Brothers for leafing us the opportunity to be served as we branch out into the community.

A NEW CAPITAL PROJECT

When we enter the church building, we appreciate heat in the winter and cooling in the summer. Unfortunately, our furnaces and our air conditioning units are beyond their

projected life spans. Because we don't want to blow hot and cold about replacement, we are launching a **Capital Project** to replace our two furnaces and



our air conditioning units. Our goal is to raise \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00 before the end of 2020. Kincardine United Church is a family of faith who have proven over the years to be wonderfully generous. Because our church building is closed due to the pandemic, this is a perfect time to make such replacements. Therefore, once the building is reopened, we will be warm in the winter and cool in the summer. Then, thanks to

the wonderful giving of the people of this congregation, it will continue to feel like home. To make donations, please follow the online instructions on our website

and note it is for "CAPITAL PROJECT."

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PROGRAMME CALENDAR

| SUNDAY, Nov. 1st | 10:30 AM | 22nd Sunday after Pentecost Worship: Gord Dunbar Meditation: Wisdom in the Cloud of Witnesses | |
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| SUNDAY, Nov. 8th | 10:30 AM | 23rd Sunday after Pentecost Worship: Gord Dunbar Meditation: It's Just Us for Justice | |



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: https://www.rogerstv.com/schedule?lid=1&rid=75

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)

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 <u>ingrid.bell@von.ca</u> 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

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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

GUARANTEED LIVABLE

The Membership and Mission Committee of our church is urging us all to think broadly about our society. Poverty can happen very quickly to anyone. Aware that some pandemic-related relief (such Canada as the programs Emergency Response Benefit, CERB) are scheduled to wind up at the end of this month, Moderator Richard Bott has written to elected officials encouraging them to seize the moment to roll out a guaranteed livable income (or universal basic income) programme in collaboration with the provinces. territories and Indigenous leadership (you can find his letter here:



Moderator Richard Bott (left) and Peter Noteboon, General Secretary of the Canadian Council of Churches (right)

https://www.united-

church.ca/sites/default/files/resources/ubi_letter_from_mod_to_pm_21-may-2020_en.pdf)

If you wish to join the chorus of voices within the United Church of Canada asking the federal government to create such a programme of caring for the most vulnerable of us in our society, check out the resources at this link:

https://www.united-church.ca/social-action/act-now/create-universal-basic-incomeprogram?utm_source=E-Newsletters&utm_campaign=78c1b93522-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_04_27_03_32_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0 _53a49c9e28-78c1b93522-188369937&mc_cid=78c1b93522&mc_eid=9450f5da00.

THANK YOU FOR LIVING YOUR FAITH IN ACTION.

OUR LIVES HAVE CHANGED BUT GENEROSITY DOES NOT

For over six months we have lived the reality of this pandemic. Church life is forever changed. Worship is live-streamed, potluck dinners a fond memory, casual conversations with friends are rare, we are not allowed to sing in the choir, Church School is on indefinite hiatus and the building is closed. All of this is because we are looking out for one another, keeping each other safe and well.

Yet, our mission is ever present. Those isolated at home are contacted and delivered supplies. Worship still happens but in a more relaxed manner. The new automatic ramp door is being installed. The lights in the sanctuary are being replaced with energy-efficient LED bulbs while the fans are being cleaned. Pastoral care has moved mostly to the digital realm including social media. Meetings are now Zooming. Members of the choir provide their musical gifts to lead singing for online worship. Funerals are physically distanced and weddings much smaller. The Tech Crew continues to make the magic happen. The building is closed but our giving hearts are wide open.

Loving Our Neighbours

On Sunday, October 11th, Thanksgiving Sunday, our annual Stewardship Programme will begin. By the end of October you will receive a package by either snail



mail or by e-mail. In that package will be resources to help you prayerfully consider how God is calling you to give of your time, of your talent and of your treasure within our family of faith. Once you have made your decision, there will be instructions to return your Response Card, informing the Envelope Steward how God is guiding you to give.

We hope this will be a rich opportunity for each of us to reflect on the blessings of life, discerning how we can live out our response.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE

for everything you share for the ministry we proclaim in Jesus' name.

CAPE CROKER FOR WHITE GIFT SUNDAY

As is our yearly practice during Advent, we will be collecting gifts for Cape Croker as **White Gifts on Sunday, November 22nd.**

Please do NOT wrap the gifts as they will be delivered to Cape Croker as part of a Christmas Store for people to "shop" for Christmas.

Details on how and where to drop off your White Gifts will be forthcoming in early November.

Here is a list of suggestions for shopping:

- Hygiene products for women and for men
 - General Stuff: deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, mouthwash, toothbrushes, soap, body wash
 - o Specifically for Women: pads, tampons, makeup remover, nail polish, nail polish remover, razors
 - o Specifically for Men: shave cream, razors
- KIDS UNDER 12 (Approximately 18)
 - o Toys
 - o Clothes of all sorts
 - 0
- YOUTH BETWEEN 13 AND 18 (medium to large size)
 - o Girls
 - Flannel PJ bottoms
 - Makeup
 - Perfume
 - Clothes of all sorts
 - o Boys
 - Flannel PJ bottoms
 - Aftershave
 - Clothes of all sorts
- ADULT WOMEN (sizes large to XXXL)
 - o Warm pajamas
 - o Comfortable clothes sweatshirts, etc.
 - o Warm socks
- ADULT MEN (sizes large to XXXL)
 - o T-shirts
 - o Golf shirts
 - o Aftershave, deodorant
 - o Outdoor socks (for working on fishing boats and outdoor activities)

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:

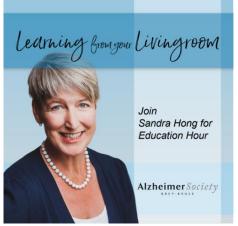
• The second option is PayPal. From the website, a pop-up will link to the secure PayPal web site, where you can use your PayPal account OR use your credit card.

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 Email: <u>kucesteward@bmts.com</u> and get these donations added to your yearly contribution totals.

EDUCATION HOUR



Education Hour is a new series of online learning session with a wide variety of topics. Join Alzheimer Society Grey-Bruce Public Education Coordinator Sandra Hong on Zoom to learn about dementia.

REGISTER FOR ONE OR MORE TOPICS

PREREGISTRATION IS NECESSARY:

519-376-7230 or email: shong@alzheimergreybruce **TOPICS**

Searching for the Meaning Behind the Behaviour– October 23rd

The Journey of Support Starts Here – October 27th Nutrition and Dementia – November 3rd, Meaningful

Activities – November 10th

Validation Therapy – November 17th, Planning Ahead – November 24th

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

COVID INFORMATION



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

<u>http://kincardineunitedchurch.org/sites/default/files/covid/announcements</u> - <u>_covid_aug_20_pdf.pdf</u>

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

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WE LOVE OUR MINISTERS!

The Rev. Bronwyn Corlett shares this reflection:

When my father was sick, my minister visited. The minister didn't stay long—just long enough to let us know we were cared for, thought of, and prayed for. We were not alone.

After I was in a car crash, I visited my minister to share my fear, anxiety, and confusion. My minister listened and asked questions. Not too many—just enough to let me know I was heard, I was okay, and I was prayed for. I was not alone.

Our ministers are present in the big moments: baptisms and funerals, weddings and divorces, celebrations and crises. They are there in the everyday moments: visiting, witnessing, and walking with us. They remind us of God's presence while we wrestle with life, faith, and love. Ministers are not perfect or infallible. They each have different gifts from God and are called to unique service.

Thank you to our ministers. Thank you for the sermons, the prayers, and the visits. Thank you for the times you leave your own families to sit with someone else's. Thank you for your leadership and your late nights. Thank you for answering God's call and living it out in The United Church of Canada.

Thanks to our gifts for Mission & Service, ministers are supported through training at theological schools and education centres and through continuing education.

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.