

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. – next practice is Jan. 16th

EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*
Lighthouse United	Jan. 15 th , 7-9 pm	TBA
Membership and Mission	Jan. 16 th , 7-9 p.m.	Liz Dillman's
Questers	Jan. 18 th , 6-8 p.m.	Kitchen
Property	Jan. 22 nd , 9-11 a.m.	Res. room
Administration	Jan. 23 rd , 10 a.m. – noon	Res. room
Council	Feb. 6 th , 7-9 p.m.	Kitchen
Valentine Coffee & Muffin Party	Feb. 9 th , 9:30-11:30	F. Hall

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

SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR HEALING – SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 AT 7:30 P.M.



Join us for this special, intimate and contemplative service in the Iona 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's sabbatical experience on the Scottish island of Iona where Celtic Christianity flourishes.

DO YOU WANT TO JOIN THE CHURCH?

A few folks have expressed an interest in joining the congregation as members. If you are also interested, please contact Gord Dunbar at 519-396-2391 (ext. 2). We'll chat, get to know each other and plan.

GORDS OFFICE HOURS WEEK OF JANUARY 15TH



Monday, Jan 15 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, Jan 17 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

VALENTINE COFFEE & MUFFIN PARTY

Make a date with your friends or your sweetheart to come and enjoy coffee/ tea and a muffin on FRIDAY FEBRUARY 9, BETWEEN 9:30-11:30 A.M. in Fellowship Hall. Price: \$3.00.

A BAKE TABLE will be available as well.

Donations of freshly baked goodies for the Bake table will be appreciated. Please deliver any baking to the church on Thursday (8th) between 2-4 p.m. or by 9 a.m. Friday.



ANIMATE: BIBLE

Join Gord either on Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. beginning on February 12th or on Sundays from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. beginning on February 18th for this engaging study. **Animate: Bible** poses questions people really have, encouraging participants to respond – although answers aren't included. Each session's 10-minute video features perspectives from contemporary Christian leaders on topics such as:



- History – Parchment to pixel with Phyllis Tickle;
 - Testaments – One story, two parts with Rachel Held Evens;
 - Gospels – Unexpected good news with Nadia Bolz-Weber;
 - Genre – Rhythm of the text with Jose Morales;
 - Interpretation – Scripture reads us with William Willimon;
 - Grace – Love is the bottom line with Jay Bakker.
- Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall. See you there!

ANNUAL REPORTS (SIGH...):

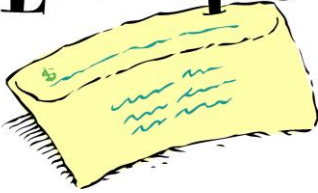
As the end of 2017 looms, it is time to begin writing your annual reports to summarize the accomplishments, the challenges and the joys of your committee's or your group's mission and ministry for the past year. While it's fresh, jot a few ideas down in preparation for writing your report. An announcement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

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.

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!!

Effective January 1, 2018, John Phillips will be the new Envelope Steward. He may be contacted via email (kucesteward@bmts.com) or through the church office. Please welcome John to this new role.

FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS



Thank you all for generously contributing to our Food Bank Collections on the last Sunday of each month. Our Church provides a grocery cart of food monthly to our local Food Bank and it is very appreciated.

Thanks go to Marilyn Buffo, David Mullenix and Gregg McClelland for taking turns to get these donations down to the Anglican Church depot for distribution. They pick up the bags either on the last Sunday morning or the following days after to deliver them down the hill to the depot for Food Day on Thursdays.

If you would be able to assist by taking a Sunday or two it would surely help us out and would be appreciated.

Please call or speak or email Dotty McClelland - dotgregg@bmts.com

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.

PROGRAM CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JAN 21 3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
Preaching - Gord Dunbar
Sermon: "Peril of the See"

SUNDAY, JAN 28 4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
AND COMMUNION
Preaching – Gord Dunbar
Sermon: "Meat-ing of the World"

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 AND MISSION MEMBERS (NO CHAIR)			
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	

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!!!

**IRIDESCE:
THE LIVING APOLOGY PROJECT
WORKSHOP
GRCE UNITED, HANOVER**

**SATURDAY JANUARY 20
9AM TO 12 PM**

Iridesce is proud to visit Grace United to collect stories, memories and experiences from everyone in our churches about LGBTQ2 welcome in the United Church. The Iridesce workshop is engaging and interactive. There is a time for listening, sharing, and responding as we are comfortable to do so. We will explore our history and even have some fun that reflects our hope for our communities and the love we share in Jesus Christ. All are welcome to participate in this national dialogue of our church.

If you are able to attend please let Rev. Micol Cottrell know
e-mail: revmicol_grace@wightman.ca
phone: 519 364-3550

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

January 14, 2018

Family Resources Close to Home

Our gifts for Mission & Service support community ministries for families, like this ministry in Nova Scotia. In 1986, Fairview United Church in Halifax opened a family resource centre in its building. The programs the church initiated focused on providing education and support in a safe and welcoming environment.

Let's hear from one long-time participant, now board member Tia Forsythe, about the centre's lasting impact:

"I first heard of Parent 'n' Tot (as it was called then) when we first moved here in 2006. While my husband went to work every day, it was hard for me and my three children to make connections.... I was told there was a great playgroup, so off we went.

"It is a decision I am thankful for every day. My children made friends that they still are connected to over 10 years later. I met people who became my support system in the city.... I have been privileged to watch not only my children grow and achieve amazing things, but also the children they met all those years ago.

"The Family Resource Centre has had to move out of the church to a new, larger building. Programs and services offered today include advocacy and referrals, health and wellness, youth, preschool, adult skill development, health and safety, pre-kindergarten, parenting skills and support, and community partnerships.

"I want to say a big thank you to Fairview United Church and also to the people of The United Church of Canada. Through your generous gifts to Mission & Service, you are making a true and lasting impact on communities and in the world, in Jesus' name."