# 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.

#### AFFIRMING DIVERSITY WORSHIP SERVICE



During Pride weekend at Kincardine United Church, we are hosting an ecumenical worship service celebrating diversity within our community.

The service will begin to live stream at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 26th.

The live stream link will be posted on our web site <a href="https://www.kincardineunitedchurch.org">www.kincardineunitedchurch.org</a> by June 24th.

"...for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ...There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:26, 28). Join us as we open our hearts one to each other in celebration during worship.

### **COVID-19 PHOTO PROJECT**



M and M (Membership & Mission) are looking for a volunteer who would be willing to help with a short-term project. We would like to create a collection of photos so we can all see how we are managing in this time of isolation. The volunteer would receive photos via email and put them together in storage such as Dropbox, sending a link to Sarah so she can send out a link for us all to view.

If this sounds like something you would be able to do, please call Krista Ritchie 519-396-5453

#### PROGRAMME CALENDAR

SUNDAY, June 28th 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship: Gord Dunbar

Meditation: Let's Get Creative!

SUNDAY, July 5<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Worship: TBD Meditation: TBD

Services 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: <a href="https://www.rogerstv.com/schedule?lid=1&rid=75">https://www.rogerstv.com/schedule?lid=1&rid=75</a>

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

# #HereToHelpGB



A new grassroots campaign launched by the following partners: 211 Central East Ontario, the Owen Sound Police Service, Saugeen Shores Police Service, West Grey Police Service, Hanover Police Service, Ontario Provincial Police, Canadian

Mental Health Association Grey Bruce Mental Health and Addiction Services, Bruce Grey Child and Family Services, Women's House Serving Bruce and Grey and The Women's Centre Grey Bruce.

This campaign has been created to reach kids, youth and women who are in abusive situations or feeling scared during this time of isolation. With recent closure of so many public and institutional settings, the caring eyes & ears that usually provide comfort and act as safeguards are not physically present. The goal of the campaign is to let individuals who are in need of support know they are not alone and help is available.



Please help spread the message that we are #HereToHelpGB.

#### Numbers for help:

- 2-1-1 is a 24/7 multilingual helpline to find services in your community
- 9-1-1 is for all emergency situations
- 226-974-0755 is a text support line for women in crisis
- 1-800-668-6868 is Kid's Help Phone

#### **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 <a href="http://www.kincardineunitedchurch.org">http://www.kincardineunitedchurch.org</a>

#### 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 E-mail: <a href="mailto:kucesteward@bmts.com">kucesteward@bmts.com</a> 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 Alzhiemer Society Grey-Bruce Public Education Coordinator Sandra Hong on Zoom to learn about dementia.

REGISTER FOR ONE OR MORE TOPICS AT: https://alzheimer.ca/en/greybruce/We-canhelp/Education/education-hour

#### **TOPICS**

The Journey of Support Starts Here - June 24th
Memory and Aging Every Tuesday June 16th - July 7th
Nutrition and Dementia - July 8th
Meaningful Activities - July 15th
Validation Therapy - July 21st
Planning Ahead - July 28th

#### **Memory and Aging**

Memory and Aging is a 5 week course happening every Tuesday at 10 am - 12 pm starting June 16th

This is a multi-week program consisting of weekly two-hour sessions. The aim is for people of retirement age or older who are interested in learning about memory changes that normally occur with age and strategies to improve their everyday memory performance. Developed through Baycrest Health Science Centre.

This session takes place online using Zoom and requires you to pre-register.

#### Register at

https://alzheimersociety.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0rd--spz0pG9aSYaWPBilr554k6mEd0fM

or contact Sandra Hong at (519) 376-7230

#### COVID-19

We are CLOSED until further notice, following the orders from Premier Doug Ford and the recommendations of the Provincial Chief Medical Officer of Health.

The Council of Kincardine United Church will continuously monitor the evolving circumstances around COVID-19, keeping the congregation informed regularly about any changes to our practices. Our highest priority is for the safety of everyone – staff, volunteers, congregants and the public – especially the most vulnerable among us.

- Worship will be broadcast as usual on local TV the week after.
- We are live-streaming worship on Sunday mornings.
- Gord's reflections will continue to be sent out with links to the bulletin & any announcements
- Please contact the church office by phone or by e-mail (email is preferred kuchurch@bmts.com.

As a family of faith, many of us rely upon one another for mutual support and for companionship. The Membership and Mission Committee has put into place remote ways of pastoral care. May God bless us as we love one another from a distance. If you wish to be added to this contact list email Melinda Smegal at glorycangel@yahoo.ca

#### MEALS ON WHEELS IS EXPANDING DURING THE PANDEMIC

For members in our community experiencing financial constraints, are mobility challenged and/or are in extreme isolation during the current pandemic.

Municipality of Kincardine community members in need are being identified by service contact persons through word of mouth, web or social media pages and as existing clients prior to the pandemic.

Residents that would like to inquire about Meals on Wheels for themselves or a loved one can visit the Grey Bruce Home and Community Support Service (HCSS) Website at <a href="https://hcssgreybruce.com/meals-on-wheels/">https://hcssgreybruce.com/meals-on-wheels/</a> or call their Central Intake number at 519-372-2091 Press 1.

#### MISSION AND SERVICE COMMITMENTS IN THIS TIME OF COVID-19



Kincardine United Church is a leader in giving generously to Mission and Service. Mission and Service makes commitments on behalf of the United Church of Canada to partners across Canada and internationally. Those commitments provide the foundation for the budgets of the partners with which we work. Please continue offering your generous gifts to Mission and Service – which is the way we reach out to an aching world to make a difference – so that our partners can continue caring for people in the name of Christ. Thank you.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT INFORMATION DEADLINE

Submit information to <u>kuchurch@bmts.com</u> by 4 PM on TUESDAYS

Thank you.

Even during COVID-19, Emergency Departments are operating as usual. It is okay to go to the ER. If you or a loved one are suffering from symptoms of a stroke, heart attack, or other new serious health issues, do not delay. Call 9-1-1 or to the nearest emergency department for assessment right away.



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www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca/COVID-19

# Symptoms of COVID-19?

Isolate within your home and use the self-assessment tool.

Do you have symptoms of COVID-19 and are having trouble managing at home?



Visit an assessment centre.

Do you have new or worsening symptoms AND are in the priority testing group?



Visit an assessment centre.

The Grey Bruce Health Unit also has a help line at 1-800-263-3456 Ext 3000 if you need help.

Note: Do not call 911 unless it is an emergency.

https://covid-19.ontario.ca/selfassessment/

Link to Grey-Bruce
Assessment Centre
List

Link to Priority
Testing Details



www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca/COVID-19

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#### **COVID-19 and MENTAL HEALTH**

#### "Apart But Not Alone"

Offered by CAMH (Centre for Addiction and Mental Health)

https://action.camh.ca/apart-not-alone

Sign up to learn concrete ways to manage your stress and uncertainty during this difficult time — and receive regular support and encouragement right in your inbox along the way.

#### Anxious and stressed out? Help is at hand!

Check out the new Wellness Together Canada portal which provides free online courses like Taking Control of Stress and resources like Moving Beyond Anxiety. <a href="https://ca.portal.gs/">https://ca.portal.gs/</a>



<u>More Resources</u>: If you or someone you know is feeling overwhelmed or in crisis, there are supports available. Canadian Mental Health Association of Grey Bruce has lots of information on their social media sites and website at <a href="http://cmhagb.org/">http://cmhagb.org/</a>

Mental Health Crisis Line of Grey & Bruce (24 hours) For ages 16+ Phone: 1-877-470-5200

Grey Bruce Health Services Crisis Team (24 hours) Phone: 519-376-2121 (Ask for Crisis Team)

Kids Help Phone is a free, anonymous and confidential phone and on-line professional counselling service for children and youth. Big or small concerns! Open 24/7 365 days/yr.

Website: <a href="https://www.kidshelpphone.ca">www.kidshelpphone.ca</a> – for on-line chat as well as resources and information Phone: 1-800-668-6868 By Text – Text "TALK" to 686868

Download the "Always There" app to Chat

Information below is taken from https://www.heretohelp.bc.ca/infosheet/covid-19-and-anxiety.

Anxiety is a normal reaction to uncertainty and things that may harm us. For many of us, the coronavirus and the COVID-19 illness make for a very uncertain future.

**Take action** ... Taking reasonable action can help you take back control and reduce anxiety. Look to trusted organizations and agencies like the Government of Canada, and World Health Organization for information about steps you can take to reduce your risk of getting sick or passing the illness on to others.

- Government of Canada—<u>www.canada.ca/coronavirus</u> and the COVID-19 Information Line at 1-833-784-4397
- World Health Organization—<u>www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus</u>
- Ontario Public Health
- Fact Sheets: How to self-monitor COVID-19, How to self-isolate COVID-19
   Cleaning and Disinfection for Public Settings COVID-19
   Self-isolation: Guide for caregivers, household members and close contacts
   - COVID-19

#### Explore self-management strategies

Explore self-management strategies like mindfulness, yoga, meditation, art, or exercise to manage anxious thoughts. You can find self-management strategies for anxiety from Anxiety Canada at <a href="https://www.anxietycanada.com">www.anxietycanada.com</a>. You can also take the Bounce Back Online, a self-directed course from the Canadian Mental Health Association to help people manage low mood, stress, and anxiety. The online version is free, no referral needed. Visit <a href="https://online.bouncebackonline.ca">online.bouncebackonline.ca</a>.

#### **MINUTES FOR MISSION**

**JUNE 21, 2020** 

# Making a Home Whole Again

Fairfield, a historic village in Bothwell, Ontario, was first settled by the Lenape people on May 8, 1792. It was established by Eelünaapéewi Lahkéewiit (*El-na-pow-way Lah-ka-weet*) ancestors and the Moravian missionaries who lived among the group for generations. For the past 74 years, Fairfield has been operated as a historical park and museum by The United Church of Canada through a grant from Mission & Service.

In May 2019, the United Church returned a significant piece of land to the Eelünaapéewi Lahkéewiit people of Delaware Nation. A ceremony was held on the site to officially execute the land transfer.

"I think the community is going to be really proud of getting that piece of property back because it's part of who they are," said Chief Denise Stonefish. "That will make our home whole again."

"I actually view it as the people whose story it is are finally getting to tell the story," said Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa, a regional council Executive Minister.

But both Stonefish and the United Church recognize it took the Truth and Reconciliation Commission to bring the transfer to fruition. We are thankful that Mission & Service has played a part in the Truth and Reconciliation process within The United Church of Canada. "The Truth and Reconciliation Commission involved all of us viewing ourselves as treaty people and understanding how broken the relationship was between Indigenous peoples and Settlers, and how all of us have a role to play in the care and tending of that," said Stadelbauer-Sampa. "The United Church is deeply committed to being honest with ourselves about our colonial past."

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.