

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 EVENTS

Choir – Thurs. 2-3 in the Sanctuary and every Sun. 9:45 a.m. in the Choir room

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

EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*
Lenten Bible study	Mar. 26 th , 10:30 a.m. – noon or Mar. 28 th , 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	Choir Room
Property Administration	Mar. 26 th , 9 – 10 a.m.	Res. Room
Dory Lunch	Mar. 26 th , 10 a.m. – noon	Res. room
Craft, Conversation & Coffee	Mar. 26, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	F. Hall/kitchen
Council	Mar. 26 th , 1:30 p.m.	Res. Room
Annual Meeting	Apr. 2 nd , 7 – 9 p.m.	Kitchen
Loaves & Fishes Dinner	Apr. 7 th , after the service	Sanctuary
Programme	Apr. 8 th , doors open 5:30 p.m.	F. Hall
	Apr. 9 th , 7 – 9 p.m.	Choir room

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

SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR HEALING –



SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH AT 7:00 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.



BRUCE PRESBYTERIAL UCW ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday March 25th, will be held at St. Andrew's United in Ripley. Registration at 9:00 a.m. Lunch-\$12.00.

If you wish transportation, please contact Elaine Holmes.

Annual General Meeting



ANNUAL MEETING

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will take place on **April 7th after the service, in the Sanctuary**. Please plan to join attend the meeting and **join us for Sundaes on Sunday afterwards!**

GORD'S OFFICE HOURS WEEK OF MARCH 24TH



WEDNESDAY 9 a.m. – noon

PROGRAMME CALENDAR

- SUNDAY, MAR. 24th 7:00 PM SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR HEALING
- SUNDAY, MAR. 31ST 10:30 AM 4th SUNDAY OF LENT
Worship: Kerry Meditation: "A New Me"
- SUNDAY, APR. 7th 10:30 AM 5th SUNDAY OF LENT
Worship: Gord Meditation: "Evil's Lack of Balance"
- SUNDAY, APR. 14th 10:30 AM PALM/PASSION SUNDAY
Drama Throughout
- FRIDAY, APR. 19th 10:30 AM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE WITH KNOX PRESBYTERIAN
STARTS AT KUC
- 7:30 PM RCCO GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Can You Lend a Hand?



If you would like to help by making deliveries of our food bank donations, we would welcome your assistance. There are only 12 months in the year and when we split them up it only means you would have to take a turn once or twice. We always call on one of the other workers if

something comes up on a Sunday that we can't make it.

Please consider lending a hand and contact Dotty.

March 31st is Food Bank Sunday

Please remember to bring a non-perishable item. Suggestions: cans of meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, chili & stew; peanut butter, pasta & sauce, school snacks, jam, cereal, toiletries and feminine products.



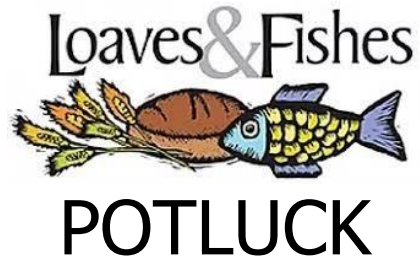
Please check Expiry dates before donating!



AFFIRMING COMMITTEE MEETING

The volunteers for the Affirming Committee are asked to meet in the Resource Room immediately following the Church Service on **Sunday, March 31** for a brief planning meeting.

If you have questions or wish to join the committee, please contact Liz Dillman at dillman.l@bmts.com.



DATE: **APRIL 8, 2019**
SOCIAL TIME: 5:30 pm
DINNER: 6:00 pm

Each month Kincardine United Church hosts a Loaves and Fishes Potluck Dinner inviting everyone to come and share friendship, laughter and food. As those who attend know, there is always a large variety of food and more than enough to feed all who come to our table.

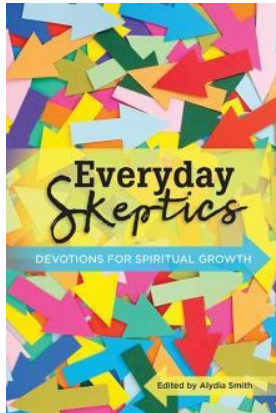
We invite everyone to come to our Loaves and Fishes dinner – bringing friends, family, neighbours and what you are able for food. If you are not able to bring something we also welcome you at our table.

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.

Future Dates

May 13, 2019	August 12, 2019
June 10, 2019	September 9, 2019
July 8, 2019	October 14, 2019
	November 11, 2019
	December 9, 2019

"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



EVERYDAY SKEPTICS

We often ask ourselves the question “So What?” when it comes to spiritual growth. “Everyday Skeptics”, edited by Alydia Smith of the United Church of Canada, is a book of daily devotions that lead the reader from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday.

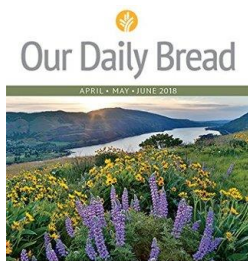
As followers of Jesus, we are encouraged to encounter a story of our faith, reflect on the devotions, and question what all of this has to do with our life and faith and the life and faith of others.

The book is not required for the Lenten bible study; however it is a good resource in developing spiritual growth during the Lenten season. Cost is \$15 and can be given to Kerry at fellowship time or other times he is in the office.

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.



OUR DAILY BREAD ... Our Daily Bread (a daily devotional booklet) for March, April and May is available on the narthex table and on the bookshelf across from the office. Donations may be left in the jar with the booklets on the narthex table.



CRAFTS, CONVERSATION & COFFEE

Come to the Resource room on the **last Tuesday of every month at 1:30 p.m.** for coffee in the resource room. We will gather together bringing our knitting, crocheting, embroidery, other craft or no craft at all and spend some time in good conversation.

Enneagram Workshop

Saturday, April 27, 2019

9:30 am - Noon

in Kincardine United Church Fellowship Hall

Lead by Judy Zarubick, Retired DLM

And Enneagram Enthusiast

**WHAT MAKES
YOU
TICK?**

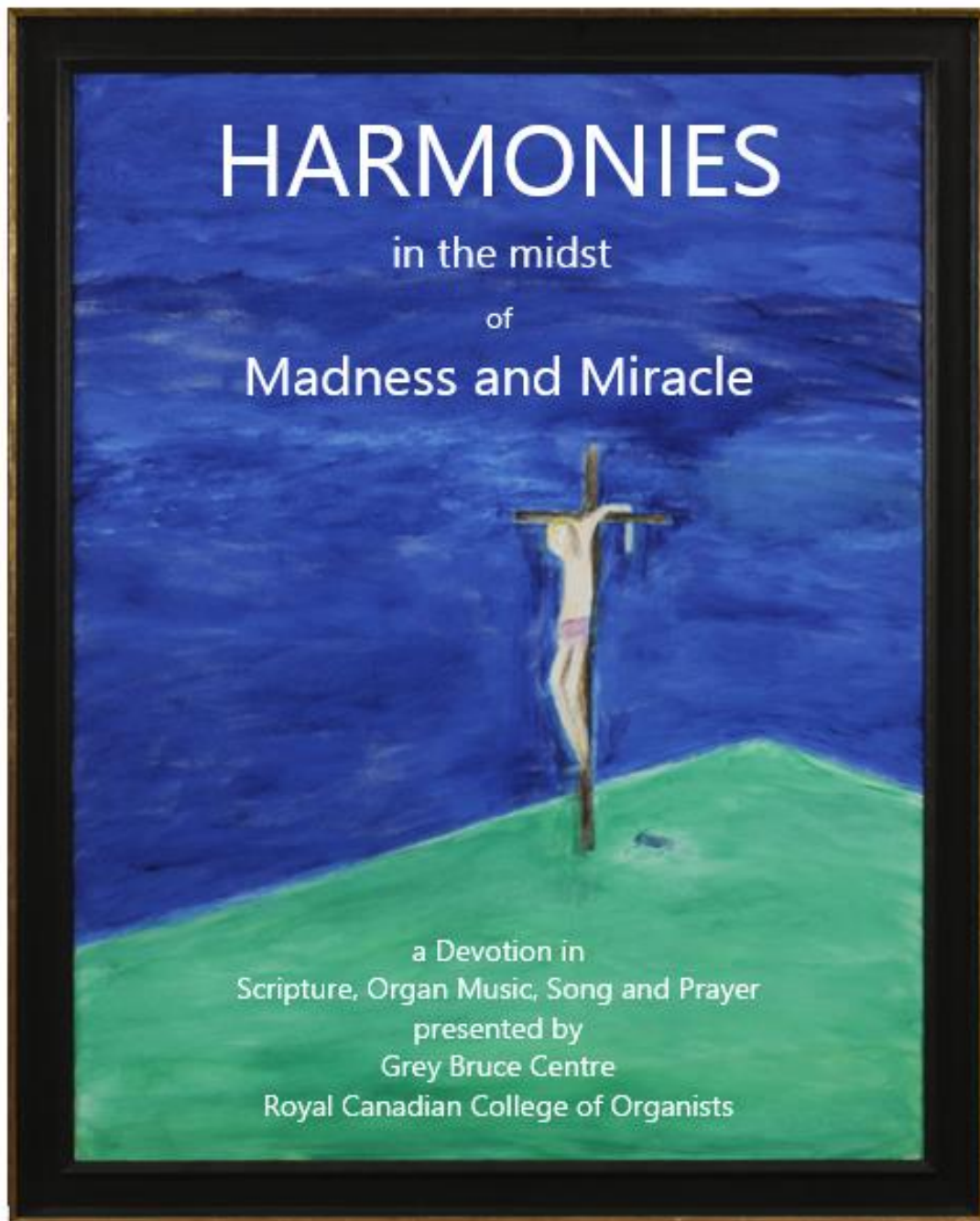
What you will learn

Find your personality type and learn more about your personality.

Develop greater awareness of your most unconscious tendencies.

Learn how to use the Enneagram system to enhance your overall level of consciousness.

For more information and to register email zarubick@hotmail.com



Good Friday
April 19, 2019
7.30pm
Kincardine United Church
(519) 396-2391
Free Will Offering

WE LOVE GATHERING TO EAT! ... SO WE INVITE YOU TO HELP



Here is what we offer:

- A great way to get to know people and have fun together.
- Training provided.
- Job descriptions so you know what you are doing (see below), including written procedures available in the kitchen for reference.
- Sign-up sheets provided in the Fellowship Hall.

BEFORE CHURCH COFFEE - every Sunday

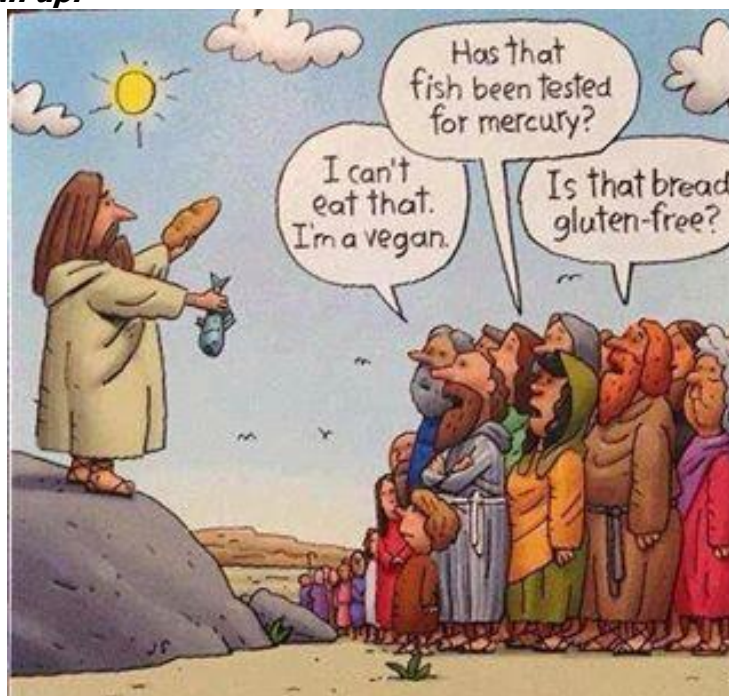
People are needed to prepare the coffee, hot water for tea, set out the cups, milk, tea, cream and sugar on the trolley and get it all upstairs for 10:00 am, return everything to the kitchen at some point during the service (preferably during a hymn so as not to interfere with the service and clean up the trolley. **Time commitment: one person about 25 minutes to get it all ready and about 10 minutes to clean up.**

LOAVES AND FISHES POTLUCK – second Monday of the month

On the second Monday of every month a potluck is held for all members of the congregation, friends, acquaintances and family to attend. Assistance is needed in setting up the tables, getting coffee etc ready and then cleaning up after. There are often people who came to the dinner who will stay and help with the clean up. **Time commitment: set up takes about one to one and half hours and clean up is about an hour depending on how many people help.**

SUNDAE SUNDAY – first Sunday of the month after Church

On the first Sunday of the month ice cream sundaes are served after Church. This is fun event and easy to set up and clean up after. Set up includes putting out the "fixings", bowls, spoons, setting up coffee and tea and cleaning up after. **Time commitment: about the same amount of time as setting up for after-Church coffee.**



MONTHLY STEW/SOUP POTLUCK LUNCH – third Sunday of the Month

This new event the Membership and Mission committee is starting Sunday, February 17. This will be a simple potluck – stew and buns one month and soup and buns the next month. Setup will include putting out bowls and plates, silverware, preparing coffee and tea etc, putting out the stews/soups after Church and cleaning up. **Time commitment: one hour set-up and clean-up for 90 minutes maximum.**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

MARCH 24, 2019

CHILDREN DESERVE TO BE CHILDREN

Our gifts for Mission & Service give children in war-torn countries a chance to be children in places like Palestine with the help of Defence for Children International. On a mural in Aida Refugee Camp inside Bethlehem are the words of Article 31 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. The article states the right of the child to rest and leisure, to engage in play and recreational activities, and to participate freely in cultural life and the arts.

The refugee camp is less than one kilometre in size and holds more than 5,500 Palestinian refugees. Just around the corner from the mural is a playing field covered by netting. The netting is to protect children from tear gas canisters, rubber bullet capsules, and other debris that Israeli Defence Force soldiers use during their weekly raids on the camp. Children have been reprimanded for playing a game similar to, North American “Cowboys and Indians.” The game is called “Palestinians and Settlers.” The difference is that the game doesn’t end with capture; once captured, the “Palestinian” is punched and kicked by the “Settlers.” This is a disturbing normalization of the occupation.

According to the Director of the Accountability, Programme of Defence for Children International, Palestine (DCI-P), 150 to 200 Palestinian children are arrested and persecuted in the Israeli military system each year. Each child is exposed to torture, solitary confinement, physical assault, and interrogation to ensure confession to a crime (whether committed or not). DCI-P reports information gathered from its legal team to UN committees and special rapporteurs. Mission & Service supports children’s rights in Palestine.

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.