

# 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.*

### ANNOUNCEMENT INFORMATION DEADLINE IS TUESDAY AT 4 P.M.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Choir – meets Thursdays 2-3 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
and Sundays 9:45 in the Choir room

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

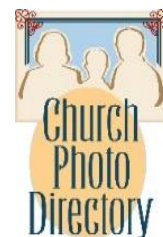
EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*
Loaves & Fishes Potluck	March 9 <sup>th</sup> , doors open 5:30 p.m.	F. Hall
UCW Sunshine unit	March 11 <sup>th</sup> , 1 – 3 p.m.	Choir room
Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy	March 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2 - 3:30p.m.	Kitchen**
	March 11 <sup>th</sup> , 7 - 8:30 p.m.	Choir room**
Questers	March 18 <sup>th</sup> , 12 p.m.	Kitchen
Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy	March 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2 - 3:30p.m.	Choir room
	March 18 <sup>th</sup> , 7 - 8:30 p.m.	Choir room
Service of Prayers for Healing	March 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 7 p.m.	Sanctuary
Property ministry	March 24 <sup>th</sup> , 9 – 10 a.m.	Res. room
Administration	March 24 <sup>th</sup> , 10 a.m. – noon	Res. room
Fellowship potluck	March 29 <sup>th</sup> , after worship	F. Hall
Aria 21 Concert	March 29 <sup>th</sup> , time TBA (afternoon)	Sanctuary
Dory Lunch	March 31 <sup>st</sup> , 10 am – 2 pm	F. Hall
Craft, Conversation & Coffee	March 31 <sup>st</sup> , 1:30 -3:30 p.m.	Res. room

\*\*These classes may be moved to the Fellowship hall, depending on attendance.

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

#### SMILE!

The M&M Committee is coordinating a 2020 KUC Photo Directory. More info to follow. **We need 2 people to take photos of groups, special events, etc.** If you are interested in helping out, please contact Melinda Smegal, 519-396-7184, or call the church office.




#### U.C.W. SUNSHINE MEETING

**Wednesday March 11<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m.** in the Choir room.

A guest speaker will discuss the Multicultural Festival.

Roll call: Talking about your culture (Scottish, Irish, ..etc etc)



*Thank you*

<b>AV MINISTRY TEAM</b> 📺	Dave Leaning, Mary & John Phillips
<b>COUNTERS</b> 💰	Bernd & Ursula Portz
<b>MARCH HOUSE LEADERS</b> 🏠	Joan and John Gillespie
<b>MUSIC</b> 🎵	David Hamilton, KUC Choir
<b>NURSERY ATTENDANT</b> ♦	Thank you
<b>SCRIPTURE READER</b> 📖	Rod Coates
<b>SLIDE PRESENTATION</b> ♦	Sarah MacKenzie
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER</b> ♦	Jackie Clements
<b>WORSHIP</b> 🕊️	Kevin Hart

## PROGRAMME CALENDAR

- SUNDAY, March 15th**     10:30 AM     **3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**Worship: Gord Dunbar**  
**Meditation: Watering Parched Souls**
- SUNDAY, March 22nd**     10:30 AM     **4th SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**Worship: Gord Dunbar**  
**Meditation: But It's Never Been Done That Way**
- 7:00 PM     **SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR HEALING**
- SUNDAY, March 29<sup>th</sup>**     10:30 AM     **5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**YOUTH LED WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**Worship: Youth & Gord**  
**Meditation: The Ragman**

### SERVICE OF PRAYERS FOR HEALING - SUNDAY, MARCH 22<sup>ND</sup> 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 Dunbar's sabbatical experience on the Scottish island of Iona where Celtic Christianity flourishes and transforms.

### GORD'S STUDY LEAVE

Gord is on study leave from Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> inclusive. While Gord is away, **emergency pastoral care will be provided by Rev. Vicki Johnson, minister at Pine River United Church. She can be reached on her cell phone at 519-807-8519.**



## **GORD'S OFFICE HOURS WEEK OF MARCH 9<sup>th</sup>**

Monday 1 – 5 p.m. and Tuesday 9 a.m. - noon

## HEALTH NOTICE (protecting our staff)



If you are experiencing:

- a fever
- a cough
- difficulty breathing
- a sore throat
- a cold

Instead of visiting during office hours, please call us at 519-396-2391 or email us at [kuchurch@bmts.com](mailto:kuchurch@bmts.com). Thank you for visiting us when you're better.

**If you have been traveling on an airplane or a cruise ship,**  
please wait two weeks before visiting during office hours.

Thank you for your understanding, and for helping to keep our church staff well.

### OUR REFUGEE FAMILY IS COMING – SOON!

Within the next few weeks, our community's refugee family is coming. The Steering Committee is seeking donations for the family – initially in money – to secure an appropriate house for them, to purchase those items that the government requires to be new and to cover future costs such as healthcare, medications, dental care, eye care, vehicle insurance, etc.

**Cheques can be made out to Kincardine United Church with a memo line "Refugee Family."**

We will remit the money to the Refugee Steering Committee and your donation will be added to your income tax receipt from us. If you are wanting to help purchase other supplies for the family, go to the Refugee Committee's Facebook page

[\(https://www.facebook.com/Kincardine-Refugee-Committee-2019-430791440990559/\)](https://www.facebook.com/Kincardine-Refugee-Committee-2019-430791440990559/)

where there is a link to a lengthy list of items with instructions on how to access the list.

**Thank you to all of you making donations, for you are making a difference in the community and in the world.**



### UPDATE: TAX RECEIPTS

All 2019 charitable donation tax receipts have now been picked up or mailed out. Many thanks to those of you who collected yours in person, which saved a good deal of postage costs. More importantly, thank you for your generous donations in support of the ministry and mission of Kincardine United Church. If you did not receive a receipt, or have any questions, contact: John Phillips, Email: [kucesteward@bmts.com](mailto:kucesteward@bmts.com)



# Loaves & Fishes Potluck



**DATE: March 9th**  
**SOCIAL TIME: 5:30 pm**  
**DINNER: 6:00 pm**

We invite everyone to join us for our Potluck Dinner and share friendship, laughter and food. Please bring friends, family and what you are able for food. As those who attend our monthly Loaves and Fishes Potluck know, there is always a large variety of food and more than enough to feed all who come to our table. If you are not able to bring food, bring your smiles and friendship.

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.

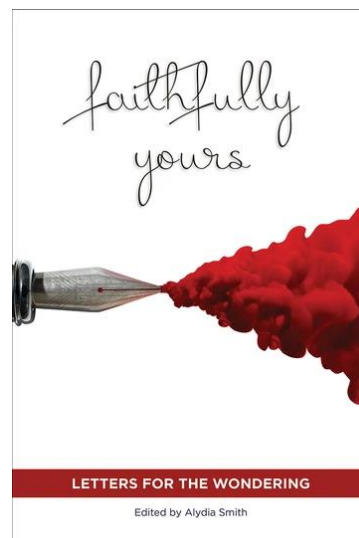
*"Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks to God and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people.  
<sup>20</sup> They all ate and were satisfied."* Matthew 14:18-20

## FAITHFULLY YOURS: LETTERS FOR THE WONDERING

There are eight copies of this book available for free for those wishing to reflect on your faith this Lent. Inside is a reflection for each day of Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday on February 26<sup>th</sup>. Each week has a subtitle:

- Week One: When Temptation is Calling
- Week Two: When the Road is Winding
- Week Three: When your Cup is Overflowing
- Week Four: When your Heart is Breaking
- Week Five: When your Faith is Growing
- Week Six: When the Storm is Raging
- Holy Week: When your Hope is Fading
- Easter: When only Love Remains

As editor Alydia smith writes in the forward, "As I grow in my faith, I now understand the Bible not as a love letter from God, but as a shoebox of love letters between a people and their maker. The letters and stories grow in intimacy and importance as we grow in deeper relationship with our maker and each other." Copies are available at the back of the worship space. As you use the book for reflection, enjoy!





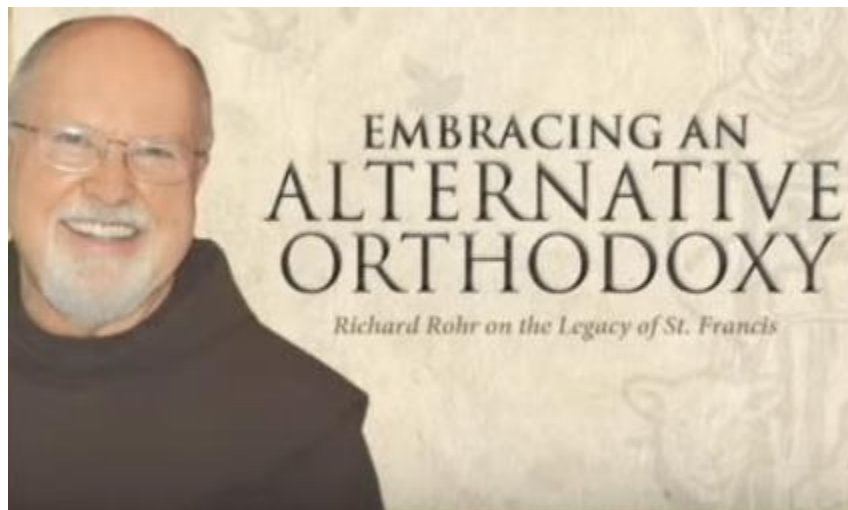
**TELL GORD THE PREACHING TOPIC**

Have you ever wanted to hear a worship service addressing a topic that interests you, about which you always wanted to explore, something you've never heard before? Now is your chance. There will be a suggestion box at the back of the worship space for your topic or theme suggestions. Beside the suggestion box, slips of paper will be available to make your suggestion. If you wish to make a suggestion to Gord electronically, just send an e-mail to Gord at [gord.kuc@bmts.com](mailto:gord.kuc@bmts.com) and he will put it into the box. On the Sunday immediately before, a topic or theme will be blindly picked by a member of the congregation from the box for Gord to use the following Sunday. The draws will be held to provide the focus for the Sundays of April 26<sup>th</sup>, May 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup>. Maybe you'll tie Gord in knots as he takes only a week to figure it out.

**EMBRACING AN ALTERNATIVE ORTHODOXY**

Father Richard Rohr introduces an orthodoxy lost to much of contemporary Christianity – an orthodoxy rooted in Franciscan theology and practice, an orthodoxy biblically grounded, an orthodoxy which is personally challenging and ultimately liberating. Through five engaging video segments

accompanied by some thought-provoking hand-outs, this study will embark on a faith journey simultaneously ancient and modern. Each session includes a 10-15 minute DVD presentation by Father Richard Rohr, followed by a 10-15 minute filmed interaction with a small group of adults.



No previous experience is needed. Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall. Two times are available and interchangeable. **Wednesdays in the Choir Room from either 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on March 11<sup>th</sup> ("Atonement Theology"), 18<sup>th</sup> ("Eco-Spirituality"), 25<sup>th</sup> ("The Cosmic Christ"), April 1<sup>st</sup> ("Orthodoxy vs. Orthopraxy") and 8<sup>th</sup> ("Mysticism over Moralism").** Join us for this engaging study.



### QUESTERS MEETING

Questers will next meet on **MARCH 18<sup>th</sup> in the kitchen at noon.** Bring your lunch!

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

During Lent this year we will be welcoming those who wish to become members of Kincardine United Church. If you wish to explore what that means, please give Gord Dunbar a call at 519-396-2391 extension 2. Join us on our continuing journey of witness as part of this wonderfully diverse family of faith.



#### **NEW!**

### **FOR ROOM BOOKINGS, CHANGES & CANCELLATIONS FOR ALL MEETINGS & EVENTS IN THE CHURCH**

1. For **new bookings** visit:

<http://www.kincardineunitedchurch.org/content/booking-room>

2. For **changes or cancellations** to current bookings contact Judy Zarubick and Liz Dillman (our new Booking Facilitators) via this link

<http://www.kincardineunitedchurch.org/contact/Booking-Facilitators>

3. Remember to **email Sarah** at [kuchurch@bmts.com](mailto:kuchurch@bmts.com) **if you want announcement about the event/group,** and send her the text you would like to be included

### **THANK YOU FEBRUARY HOUSE**

The Ritchies want to extend a warm thank you to members of the "February House"! House members operated the elevator, greeted, read scripture, baked cookies, provided post service coffee time and placed plants in the sanctuary! If you are not currently in a "house month" and you feel like you are ready to be more involved in the life and work of KUC, please let Judy Zarubick know at 519-386-1440.

You are never asked to do a task you are not comfortable with!!

We appreciate the effort, team February!!! *Morgan, Lydia and Krista Ritchie*

HARMONIES IN THE MIDST OF

*MADNESS* and *MIRACLE*

A DEVOTION IN ORGAN MUSIC, SCRIPTURE, SONG AND PRAYER

PRESENTED BY

THE GREY BRUCE CENTRE, ROYAL CANADIAN COLLEGE OF ORGANISTS

**Christ Church**

**Lion's Head**

**Good Friday April 10, 2020**

**7.30pm**

## A TINY BABY

*The chaplains of Michael Garron Hospital in Toronto have to respond to many situations. Here is one story from a United Church chaplaincy student about her time in the pediatrics ward:*

I remember the first time I saw her. I had to put on a gown, mask, and gloves to go into her room. This tiny baby, hooked up to so many tubes, smiled up at me. She had so much trust in her eyes for a baby who had been abandoned by her parents. She'd had two heart surgeries and was now recovering. Each day she grew stronger, and soon most of the tubes had been removed and we no longer needed to mask and gown. What she needed most was human contact, so I would spend time each day holding her, talking to her, and watching her smile and coo. When she was three months old, her parents came back to reunite with her. They had many meetings with social workers, and I was included in those conversations. Her parents had been refugees who came to this country with their seven children; when the baby was born with Down's syndrome and many health problems, they panicked and left her at the hospital to be cared for. When the day came for this tiny, beautiful baby to leave with her parents, staff said goodbye to her, and many of them were in tears. After she left the hospital, we sat around and shared stories and grieved together. It was a very profound moment in my ministry.

Mission & Service supports chaplaincy in hospitals, universities, and prisons.

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.