

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 *Sept 19th at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary

EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*
Membership & Mission	Sept. 19 th , 7-9 p.m.	Liz Dillman's
UCW Lighthouse	Sept. 18 th , 7-9 p.m.	F. Hall
Rummage Sale	Sept. 23 rd , 9 a.m. to noon	F. Hall
Dory Lunch	Sept. 26 th , 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	F. Hall
Administration	Sept. 28 th , 9 - 11 a.m.	Res. room
Property	Sept. 28 th , 11 a.m.	Res. room
Council	Oct. 3 rd , 7-9 p.m.	Kitchen
Loaves & Fishes Dinner	Oct. 9 th , doors open 5:30 pm	F. Hall
Program	Oct. 10 th , 7-9 p.m.	Kitchen

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

SPECIAL UCW LIGHTHOUSE UNIT MEETING

UCW Lighthouse Unit will be hosting Farah Ahmad to speak at their meeting on Monday Sept. 18th at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

She lives in Kincardine and is a member of the Ahmadiyya Muslim community.

All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

RUMMAGE SALE & DONATION DROP OFF THIS WEEK



Donation drop off times (in Fellowship Hall):

Thurs Sept 21 1-4:30 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.

Friday Sept 22 1-4:30 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.

Clothing, accessories, white elephant and books accepted!

SALE DATE: SEPT 23rd, 9 am – noon in Fellowship Hall.

YOU WANT ME TO GIVE MORE?



The special Mission and Service Fund envelopes are for an extra donation to support the mission of the United Church of Canada beyond our humble church walls. By donating you make possible support for our partners in Kenya that guest speaker Rev. Tim Reaburn will relate today. Without leaving Kincardine, we will make a difference!

CHANGE TO GORD'S OFFICE HOURS WEEK OF SEPT 18

Gord Dunbar is holding office hours
Monday: 1 - 5 p.m.
Drop in and say hi!



You can email Gord at gord.kuc@bmts.com

NEED TIME IN QUIET?

The Chapel is now available for quiet time before and after Sunday worship. Ask the ushers to show you the way to the Chapel. When worship is about to begin, the ushers will notify you. After worship, if you need time in quiet with God, stay as long as you need.



NURSERY COORDINATOR



We still need a co-ordinator for the nursery volunteers. Also, more individuals to work in the nursery are always welcome. It is great fun to spend time with the youngest members of our congregation, and all of you, both men and women, are encouraged to consider this role.

PRAYER CYCLE ... As a church, we are called to pray for each other and for our mission in the world. The Prayer Cycle invites prayer each week for particular pastoral charges. This week please include the following Pastoral Charge in your prayers: *Bethany United Church, Dunnville.*



SUBSCRIBING TO THE OBSERVER 150 Reasons

The Observer has won more than 150 awards for journalistic excellence in Canadian and U.S. church press competitions in the past five years – more than any other denominational magazine in North America.

Letters have been mailed to regular Observer subscribers. Anyone can place an order. **Cost is \$25** if you order with our group. Please **put your payment on the plate by Oct. 8th**, – and be sure to **include a note with your full name, address and phone number, and indicate that the money is for the Observer!** Or, you can also **contact Sarah in the office by Tuesday October 10th** with your payment if you would like to get this publication delivered to your home by mail. **If you're writing a cheque, make it payable to the Kincardine United Church and put "Observer" in the memo of the cheque.*



If you knew what I know about the power of giving, you would not let a single meal pass without sharing it in some way.

(Buddha)

HURRICANE IRMA EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Photo: home flattened by Hurricane Irma in the Dominican Republic.



The United Church of Canada is accepting donations to help Mission & Service partners provide relief to those affected by Hurricane Irma.

The United Church works with several churches and agencies throughout the Caribbean region. Our membership in the global ACT Alliance provides multiple ways for the church to assist

people affected by Hurricane Irma. ACT members are organized in various regional and national forums (including the Dominican Republic, Haiti, and Cuba) that have worked quickly to assist with evacuations and emergency shelter where necessary, and to prepare their post-storm responses. The United Church is already contributing to those efforts. In addition, the United Church will assist bilateral partners such as the region-wide Methodist Church of the Caribbean and the Americas (MCCA), the Cuban Council of Churches, and the Karl Lévêque Cultural Institute in Haiti as they organize their responses. Please [pray for those affected](#) by Hurricane Irma. We are also accepting donations, below.

Donate Now

Online via our [secure donation page](#).

Phone: 416-231-5931 or toll-free 1-800-268-3781 ext. 2738 and use your Visa or MasterCard.

Send a cheque, money order, or Visa or MasterCard information with donation amount to:

The United Church of Canada, Philanthropy Unit - Emergency Response
3250 Bloor Street West, Suite 200 Toronto, ON M8X 2Y4

Please be sure to note "Emergency Response—Hurricane Irma" on the face of your cheque.

Note: As part of the United Church's Emergency Response Fund, 100% of your donation goes directly to emergency relief with 85% of your donation responding to this designated emergency and 15% responding to future emergencies that do not receive intense media coverage. Donations to Mission & Service enable the United Church to cover all of the costs of emergency response work without deducting any fees from your donation.

Program Calendar



Sunday Sept 24 Creation Time 3

Preaching – Gord Dunbar

**Sermon: “Quailing is a Fowl
Result of Grumbling”**

Sunday Oct 1 Worldwide Communion

Preaching – Gord Dunbar

Sermon: “Nailed it!”

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 & Mission committee members (no chairperson)
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

**It was our belief that the love of possessions
is a weakness to be overcome.
Its appeal is to the material part,
and if allowed its way, it will disturb one's spiritual balance.
Children must early learn the beauty of generosity.
They are taught to give what they prize most,
that they may taste the happiness of giving.**

-Ohiye S'a (Charles Alexander Eastman) 1858-1939; Santee Dakota physician, writer, national lecturer, and reformer, prolific author and speaker on Sioux ethnic history & American Indian affairs

QUESTERS

"Questers" will meet in the Kincardine United Church Kitchen at 6 pm on Oct.

19th, Nov. 16th and Dec. 14th. We will have a short meditation/service followed by a light meal. You do not need to contribute any food.



We will watch a 20-minute segment of "Living the Questions 2.0" and finish with a discussion period. Each session is independent of the previous one.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The following members have given us permission to pass on their new addresses:

Bette Tusz Apt 306, 31 Dairy Lane, HUNTSVILLE, Ontario P1H 2L7

Shirley (Huff) Harris is temporarily at Brucelea Haven till a space becomes available for her at Trillium Court. She would love to have you stop by if you are in the Walkerton area. Brucelea Haven's address is 41 McGivern St. W., Box 1600 St.W., Walkerton NOG 2V0.

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Minister – Rev. Gord Dunbar (*gord.kuc@bmts.com*)

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Custodian – David Walker

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

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PREPARING FOR MINISTRY

Our gifts for Mission & Service support theological schools. Let us hear a reflection from Principal Richard Topping, who shared some reflections in the fall newsletter of the Vancouver School of Theology.

“In theological education we are trying to make preparing for ministry in the name of Jesus as difficult as it ought to be. I have thought a great deal about why ministry is so hard—secularity, post-Christendom, multiculturalism, shrinking church, opportunities to golf.

“My friend Will Willimon has persuaded me, however, that it is Jesus’ fault. He is really hard to follow—I mean ‘pray for your enemies, bless those who curse you.’ It is hard to get formed for that for life. But as Tom Hanks, who played a baseball coach in the movie *A League of Their Own*, said, ‘If baseball was easy, then everyone would do it.’ It’s the same with theological education.

“We want our graduates to be engaged people, folks willing to get involved in the world, not just wait for the next.... Our theological ethos is designed to nurture practitioners who are making a difference in the world for God and the gospel. It is the DNA of VST to get involved in the big challenges the world faces.”

We sing thanksgiving for the gifts of Mission & Service that support students who are discerning their path to ministry through the inspiring guidance of theological schools such as the Vancouver School of Theology.

If Mission & Service is already a regular part of your giving, thank you so much! If you have not given for Mission & Service, please join me in making Mission & Service a regular part of your life of faith. In all our Mission & Service giving, with a willing heart, we sing thanksgiving to God!