

## 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

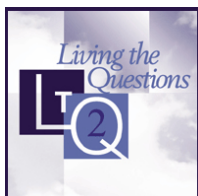
K.U.C.I.E. – Tuesdays 7-8 p.m. in the Sanctuary

EVENT/MEETING	DATE & TIME	LOCATION*
UCW Lighthouse meeting	March 16 <sup>th</sup> , 7 – 9 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	<u>Postponed</u>	
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
Holy Week Services	April 6-9 <sup>th</sup> , 12 – 1 p.m.	Centre of Hope Victory Church
Council	April 7 <sup>th</sup> , 7 – 9 p.m.	Kitchen

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


#### **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.



#### **QUESTERS MEETING**

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

	
<b>AV MINISTRY TEAM</b> 📺	Dave Leaning, Jim Zarubick
<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> ✝	Gord Dunbar

## PROGRAMME CALENDAR

- 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 29th**     **10:30 AM**     **5th 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 OFFICE HOURS WEEK OF MARCH 16th



**MONDAY**     1 – 4 p.m.

**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)



**UCW LIGHTHOUSE MEETING**

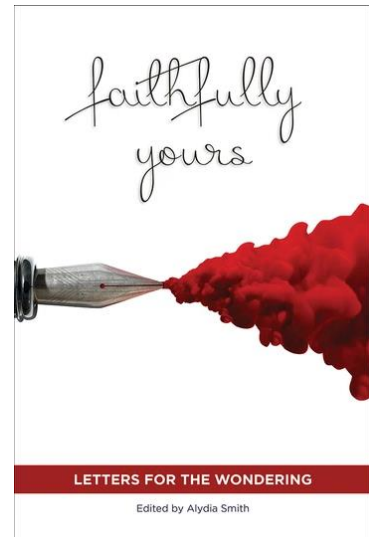
Monday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7 pm in the Choir room

**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.

*"You're in a rut, Reverend. Every time I come here, you preach about the Resurrection."*





## COVID-19: United Church Statement

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Discussion about COVID-19 is growing as confirmed cases of COVID-19 (coronavirus) continue to spread. As a church, we have prepared the [Emergency Plan](#) to help communities of faith plan ahead for contingencies that may or may not arise, realizing that planning ahead is a way to reduce anxiety.

We urge communities of faith to respond to COVID-19 with compassion, prevention, and prayer.

### Compassion

Overwhelming statistics outlining the number of confirmed cases and deaths from COVID-19 make it easy to disassociate the numbers from the people and communities involved.

As a church, we seek a compassionate response that acknowledges the personhood attached to each statistic. We know that the people affected include not only those infected by the COVID-19 virus but also their families, friends, co-workers, and community members. We mourn with people whose loved ones have died, who have lost their livelihood through the growing economic impact, who have lost community through self-isolation and limited travel, and, who have lost a sense of security through fear of contamination or racial discrimination.

We also offer our prayers of thanksgiving for the professionals who are providing leadership in the treatment and containment of the virus, and our prayers of concern for those who put at risk their personal health to serve and support others, especially those who are most vulnerable.

### Prevention

We hope the most vulnerable people in our society will be able to rely on us—communities of faith—to do all that we can to prevent the spread of both the virus and of the fears surrounding it. As faith leaders, we can familiarize ourselves with the guidelines outlined in the [Emergency Plan](#) to ensure that people are able to seek comfort in our places of worship. We can ensure that our gathering places promote good preventive practices, and when necessary, we can provide alternative programming—like online worship or Bible study, or bagged lunches for meal programs—for those who are most at risk in large group gatherings or are isolated due to vulnerability.

By mirroring the compassionate presence of Christ and providing clear and specific information, faith leaders can help to mitigate the spreading fear around COVID-19. We encourage communities of faith to

- seek and share stories from those most affected by the virus, praying with our kin around the world
- repudiate and dispel all comments about COVID-19 that are prejudiced or racist, or that attach COVID-19 to a race or ethnicity
- practise and model good personal hygiene by washing our hands often, coughing or sneezing into our sleeves, and avoiding touching our face or the faces of those who are most vulnerable
- educate community members on how they can prevent the spread of viruses

### Prayer

Our faithful response of compassion and prevention needs to be surrounded and guided by our continual prayer for the well-being of all people. May we continue to collaborate and learn from health care professionals as we seek ways to honor and respect all people at all times.

**For much more information visit**

<https://www.united-church.ca/leadership/church-administration/emergency-planning>

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES



**Dates:** April 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th

**Time:** Noon - 1 pm

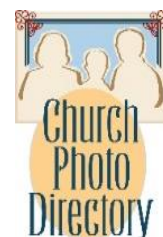
**Address:** Centre of Hope Victory Church  
146 Mahood-Johnston Drive, Kincardine

Sue Coverley is the contact person for all of the kitchen volunteers. She will be in contact with those who have helped in previous years shortly. If you need to reach her please call her cell: 519-386-3181 or by email:

[suec@tnt21.com](mailto:suec@tnt21.com)

### **SMILE!**

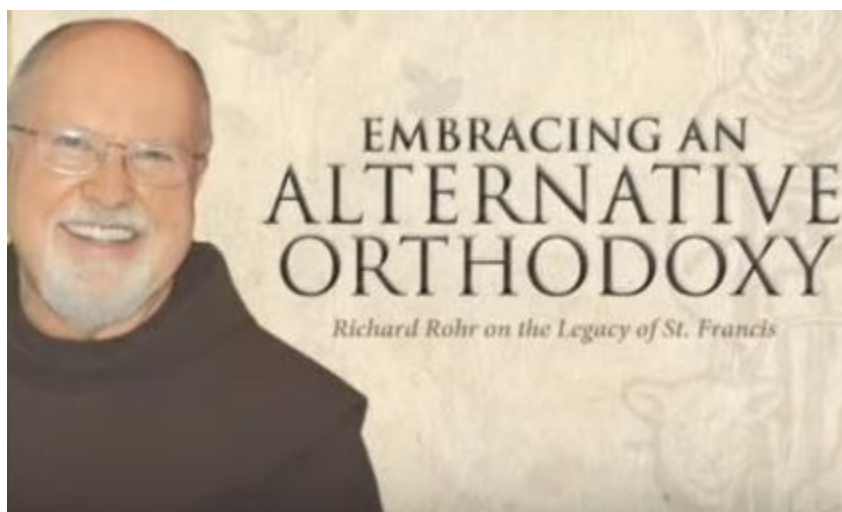
The M&M Committee is coordinating a 2020 KUC Photo Directory. More info to follow. **We need 2 people to take photos of groups, special events, etc.** If you are interested in helping out, please contact Melinda Smegal, 519-396-7184, or call the church office.



## 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.

FREE



# Death Café

Join us for coffee, cake and a relaxed place to discuss death & dying.

Our Death Cafés are designed as an uplifting, interactive adventure that transforms this seemingly difficult conversation into one of deep engagement and empowerment

This is not a counselling session, but an opportunity to increase ease and comfort with death & dying conversations.

Saturday, March 21, 2020 10:00am to 12:00pm  
Kincardine Library,  
727 Queen Street, Kincardine

  
Huron Shores Hospice

This project is funded by  
the Government of Canada.

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To register, please email [cathy@huronshoreshospice.ca](mailto:cathy@huronshoreshospice.ca)





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**



**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.

**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!!!

**ARE YOU WEARING YOUR NAME TAG?**



Neglected your Name tag? We'd love you to wear your name tag! It helps us get to know one another, in service and fellowship time. If you need a name tag made for you, sign the notebook on the table at the back of the church. When you leave church, please put your tag back on the name tag board, or leave it in the name tag boxes (Narthex and Fellowship Hall) --- our helpful Tag Team Volunteers will get it back on the board for you.

**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

**“God makes three requests of his children: Do the best you can,  
where you are, with what you have, now”**

*African-American Proverb*

**MINUTE FOR MISSIONS**

**MARCH 15, 2020**

## **CAMINO DE EMAÚS**

Camino de Emaús is a vibrant ministry serving hispanophones (mainly from Chile) and francophones in Montreal, thanks in part to support from Mission & Service.

In recent years Camino de Emaús created a wellness program geared to seniors called Camino de Oro, or Golden Path. They organize outings, fitness and dance classes, wellness workshops with guest speakers, and other activities to foster community and combat social isolation.

Camino de Emaús also recently exhibited its memory museum and participated in commemorating those whose lives were lost or forever changed by the coup in Chile on September 11, 1973. Several people shared photos and thoughts of lost loved ones and also called for everyone to continue to work together, with respect and tolerance, to show solidarity not only with Chile but also with other causes closer to home, as there is still much to improve in Chile, Canada, and the world.

Camino de Emaús is a faith-filled community that welcomes those in need of healing and support.

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.