



Kitchissippi
UNITED CHURCH

4th in LENT- Sunday, March 31th 2019

Calendar of Events – Church Life

MARCH		
Sat 30	7:00pm	Eco Christianity Circle for Soup dinner and a reflective celebration of Earth Hour. All welcome~
Sun 31	10:00am	4th in Lent/ Earth Sunday/ Intergenerational Service/ Project of Heart
APRIL		
Mon 1	1:15pm	Book Study in the Boardroom
Tues 2	7:00pm	UCW meeting the Parlour/ Guest Lynn Fischer with share “A Journey Into Mindfulness”
Thurs 4	9:30 am	Worship Circle meeting the Boardroom
Fri 5	10am-8pm	Out of the Box Fibre Arts Show in the Hall
Sat 6	10am-5pm	Out of the Box Fibre Arts Show in the Hall
Sun 7	10:00am	5th in Lent
Wed 10	6:30pm	Investment Club in the Boardroom
Thurs 11	9am 3:30pm	Rummage Sale Set up in the Hall (Volunteers needed) Men’s Book Club in the Parlour
Fri 12	9:30am 7:00pm	Rummage Sale Set up in the Hall (Volunteers needed) Rummage Sale
Sat 13	9am-12pm	Rummage Sale
Sun 14	10:00am	Palm/Passion Sunday
Wed 17	7:00pm	KUC Council meeting in the Chapel
Thurs 18	5:30pm	Maundy Thursday dinner and service in the Hall
Fri 19	10:00am	Good Friday Service
Sun 21	10:00am	Easter Sunday
Mon 29	7:00pm	Eco Christianity Gathering

Music Program

March 31st: Children's Choir rehearsal

April 7th: Children's Choir rehearsal

New Custodian at KUC

We have a new custodian. Jerzy Spsychalski has been hired to work at Kitchissippi on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Please make him feel welcome if you see him.

Project of Heart - This Sunday

Project of Heart (<http://projectofheart.ca/>) is an inquiry based, hands-on, collaborative, inter-generational, artistic journey of seeking truth about the history of Aboriginal people in Canada. Its purpose is to:

- Examine the history and legacy of Indian Residential Schools in Canada and to seek the truth about that history, leading to the acknowledgement of the extent of loss to former students, their families and communities
- Commemorate the lives of the thousands of Indigenous children who died as a result of the residential school experience.
- Call Canadians to action, through social justice endeavours, to change our present and future history collectively

Project of Heart acknowledges the families and communities to whom those children belonged. It was originally designed to bring awareness both to the settler community and communities of new Canadians. Project of Heart has evolved, through community ownership of the project itself, to educate all Canadians about the history and legacy of this crime and tragedy.

In acknowledging the loss suffered by Aboriginal children, families and communities through the Indian Residential School experience, we also gain an understanding of the strength, wisdom and resilience of the traditional peoples of this land. Project of Heart seeks to:

- Expand the opportunities available for the wisdom of Aboriginal Elders to be heard, recognized and honoured
- Change attitudes and behaviours – hearts and minds – as Elders give voice to language, values, traditions and teachings that were suppressed by residential schooling
- Inspire the building of relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in Canada based on mutual understanding, respect and collective action to create a different future.

LENT

Our Lenten Theme for 2019: Baptism in Action! Baptism celebrates God's initiative and our response. It is God's "Yes" to us, and our "Yes" to God. It is a sign of the Divine-human covenant. Baptism flows from God's unmerited grace and pours out in lives of gratitude and commitment. As initiation into the Church, the Body of Christ, it is an act of welcoming, blessing, and belonging.

The covenant of baptism celebrates the fullness of God's grace throughout the story of salvation: in creation and in exodus, in wilderness and in exile, in birth and in death. In his baptism, Jesus received the Holy Spirit and was declared God's beloved, he opened himself to repentance and forgiveness, and marked a new beginning in his ministry. In our baptism we are similarly claimed, called, and commissioned.

Our baptismal identity is both individual and communal. Baptism honours the diversity of individuals and challenges us to be a community of equals.

Listen for a Minute for Mission-esque personal story around the time of the offering called 'Baptism in Action'.

Here are the questions we will be looking at this Lent:

Commitment to the Mission and Ministry of the Church: March 31

Will you join with your brothers and sisters in this congregation to share in the life, work, and ministry of Jesus Christ?

Congregational Commitment:

April 7

Let us pledge to this/these person(s) our continued support and care.

We will continue to support you, walk with you, and grow with you.

With God's help, we will live out our baptism as a loving community in Jesus Christ: nurturing one another in faith, upholding one another in prayer, encouraging one another in God's work.

Faith Formation

This Lent, join us in reading and discussing spiritual poems by Canadian authors. In every Friday File from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday, you will find a link to a different poem that discusses faith. During Coffee Hour each Sunday, we will gather in the Boardroom to read the poem and Charlie will lead a short, casual discussion — all are welcome for this "mini poetry club."

This week's poem is "[A Prayer to be in Paradise with the Children](#)" by John Terpstra.

John Terpstra is poet, writer, and cabinetmaker living in Hamilton, Ontario; his poetry has been shortlisted for the Governor General's Literary Award. He wrote this poem for the occasion of a baptism in 2001.

When I must come to you, o my God, I pray
it be in the early hours of that day,
and just as on these mornings I would rather sleep
I beg the lively company to keep
of kids, in Paradise, where rest and rising meet.
My eyes will open, I will yawn and stretch,
and to the children jumping on the bed
I shall say, "I am Johannes Terpstra,
and this is Paradise, at your pleasure."
And I shall say to them, "This house has many rooms,
its hallways are for running, take the stairs in twos,
and we'll play inside the mansions of our living God,
for all doors open to the treasures of his kinderlove."

Let me awaken with these children, Lord, in your home,
this offspring of your fondest word, who roam
the towered heart of day and lift it from the frame
our plans project; and let me be like them, the same.
I shall arise and follow the one who follows his nose,
followed by the sniffing sound of those who have a cold,
by the ones who dawdle and the ones who'd sooner shove,
by those who pile blocks in silence and those who love
to knock all such building down, by the bossy ones
and those who daily bear their brethren, by the talkers,
by the ones who, left alone, begin to eat the garden dirt
because they, o Lord, desire to taste of your creation,
which is good.

Let it be with these kids that I awake,
perfectly restored, inside the house your design has made
for the halt, the lame, for those whose raw deformity
stands out: the unloved, or over adored.

And let it be
that angels guide our thousand feet upon the stair
to lead us into hidden access of the secret lair
of your delights: the preparations, boxes, reels,
the paper, crayons, the fountains of water, ferris wheels.
Pamper us there, for whom the faith is one, waking up
on this morning or that. O Lord God, fill the cup

When I must come to you, I pray
it be at any time of any day,
and if my eyes were closed, I shall awake
now, to Paradise, having seen your grace
fall somewhat like rain upon this one child's face.

Last week's poem was "[God on His Haunches](#)" by Diane Tucker.

Eco Christianity

On **Saturday, March 30 at 7pm**, join the Eco Christianity Circle for dinner and a reflective celebration of Earth Hour. From 8:30pm to 9:30pm, we will turn off the lights to raise awareness for and meditate on the role of nature in our lives. All are welcome.

The Eco Christianity Circle is hosting Greening Sacred Spaces Ottawa's first gathering for their new Energy Benchmarking Program. Ottawa faith communities will discuss their past and present energy projects so that we can share and learn from each other. Please join us at **7pm on Monday, April 29**. Light refreshments will be served.



Fibre Arts – Annual Fibre Fling

Kitchissippi United Church and the Out of the Box - Fibre Fling - Annual Fibre Art Show and Sale
Friday, April 5 - 10 am – 8pm and Saturday, April 6 - 10 am – 5 pm
Admission is \$5. Light refreshments are available throughout the show.

Rummage Sale



KUC Spring Rummage Sale 2019

Friday, April 12 from 7 pm – 9 pm
Saturday, April 13 from 9 am – noon

Small appliances and electronics must be in good working order. There will be a boutique area for the best items. Please, no magazines or textbooks. Volunteers are still needed for set-up on Thursday 11th and clean up on Saturday, April 13th. Contact the church if you can help. Donations can be dropped off at the church. **Please call or email the office ahead of time** before dropping off your donations 613-722-7254. **VOLUNTEERS are NEEDED**- if you can help, please sign your name on the [signup sheet](#) in the main hall or contact Jane Christie after church.

Easter Sunday

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EASTER SERVICES 2019

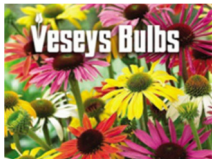
Palm Sunday – April 14 at 10am
Flowers for Pastoral Care

Maundy Thursday – April 18 at 5:30pm
Soup Supper at Kitchissippi starting at 5:30pm followed by the Service at 6 pm

Good Friday – April 19 at 10am
Followed by lunch at Kristy’s Restaurant

Easter Sunday - April 21 at 10am
Communion Service – All Welcome

Carlington Chaplaincy



"Only two Sundays left to make your order!! The closing date is April 10th so that Dave can send in the order and have delivery in early May." Proceeds going to the Carlington Chaplaincy. Contact Dave Hall after church or email him at Dave Hall davidfhall@magma.ca for details.

Wider Church

LENTEN MEDITATION AND YOGA

Join us **Saturday, April 6 from 2-5pm** at Britannia United Church – 985 Pinecrest Rd for meditation, reflection and light yoga. Jane Dawson, Minister Supporting Communities of Faith, Clusters and Networks for the Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council, will lead the session. No meditation or yoga experience required. The light yoga practice can be done from the floor or a chair. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat/blanket/towel, a notebook and pen. Pre-registration preferred. Sign up with the Church office, office@brituc.ca or 613-828-6018. Free will offering, accessible and open to everyone.

Usher List

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| Team 1 | Jane Christie, Richard Christie, Marilyn Sierolaski, Helen Witkowski | April 28 |
| Team 2 | Nancy Brodie, Janet Balcome, Norah Patriquin, Doug Brooks | March 31 |
| Team 3 | Mike Jones, Marion Reid, Frank Chapman, Gweneth Gowanlock | April 7 |
| Team 4 | Jane Craig, Scott MacCrimmon, Alayne Current, Barbara Nunn | April 14 |
| Team 5 | Nancy LeBlanc, Bruce Chapman, Mary Laidlaw, Anne Fraser | April 21 |

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MARCH 29, 2019

Sunday Worship

10:00 am

Office Hours

Monday through Friday
9:30 am –4:30 pm

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