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 <p>INTERNATIONAL <b>DAY</b> FOR THE ELIMINATION OF <b>RACIAL</b> DISCRIMINATION — MARCH 21 —</p>	<p><i>Kitchissippi</i> UNITED CHURCH</p> <p>Sunday, March 21, 2021 Fifth Sunday in Lent</p>
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**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP LIVESTREAM - 10AM**  
[www.rideaupark.ca](http://www.rideaupark.ca)

### MESSAGE FROM REV. JENNI



Hello there!

I hope you've had a great week!

First let me say to our folks of Asian descent: I/we are so sorry for what happened in the state of Georgia and know that it has affected you, likely in a very profound way. I/we see your pain. Please know that we pray for your healing. Please know that I am here for pastoral care, either by phone or by zoom call. You are not alone - we, your community, are with you in your grief and fear.

My mother lives in Port Dover (Haldimand County) and was able to get the covid vaccine last Friday. I talked with her a couple of times over the weekend and her arm was a bit sore, she felt tired as well and then on Sunday, she felt just fine. I was so happy to hear this, as I know she was a bit worried and there were many people around her that were fearful or rejecting the vaccine. I was very glad that she fought past those messages and made an appointment and followed through. Thankfully, her partner has had a change of heart and is going to make an appointment today for his shot.

When I heard that she had the appointment, I felt myself exhale. I have been so tense about her contracting covid (her uptake on the precautions has been worrisome) and hearing her feeling well and looking forward to the second injection brings me a vast amount of joy.

I am also very happy to hear that some of you, in the 80+ age range have been making your appointments as well - it feels like another step towards a safer community and the possibility of us meeting in person in the months to come more of a reality. Before it was a pipe dream, now it is becoming a light at the end of a year long tunnel. (I acknowledge I am mashing two metaphors together there - sorry!)

You will hear the scripture on Sunday from Jeremiah: I come to put a new heart in you, says God. A new heart of compassion, kindness, empathy. A new heart for racial justice, for inclusion, for embracing those on the margins: may the margins disappear and be enfolded in our common humanity. May systemic structures be brought low.

May our new, promised hearts beat with love and love only: for God, for one another and for our neighbours. God gives us possibility after possibility to change and grow and love.

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May God renew our hope during this Lenten season. May God strengthen us with wisdom and insight and give us peace.

May you have a blessed, new heart-ed weekend!

Jenni

**The coming week:**

**Sunday - Please plan to join for zoom worship to mark the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on March 21st at 7pm.** The Rev Alcris Limongi (from Parkdale UC), The Rev Dan Hayward and I are leading. The Rev. Dr. Alydia Smith is offering the Reflection. Music is pre recorded by Parkdale United church. Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/international-day-for-the-elimination-of-racial-discrimination-tickets-145895598663>

**Monday - the Worship Circle meets on Monday, March 22nd at 930am.**

**Tuesday - the Broadview Reading Club meets from 1 - 3,** discussing articles on pages 12, 52 and 54. Stay for time with Ivan afterwards: 3 - 3:30. Zoom link here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89093844185>

Wednesday - 7pm - Lenten Reflections. I will be leading this around the Conversation Jesus has at the tomb with Mary in John 20:11-18.

**Thursday - 2:15 - 3:45 Stay for time with Ivan afterwards from 3:45 - 4:15.**

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8925057455>

**Compassion Ottawa 7 - 8:30pm -.** Send me or Alcris a message to register and I/she will send you the zoom link. See information about a Zoom webinar with

**Friday - Trivia Night** - our monthly fun evening! Everyone welcome! Zoom

link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82250633588>

UPCOMING: The Sunday after Easter (April 11th) we celebrate the "Easter joke" that God played on death, with Holy Humour Sunday. We are inviting you to send in your favourite jokes, preferably recorded by you on a Zoom Link that opens, records you and when you leave, sends us the video. (We will edit out the bloopers.) Or you can record a joke on your own device and send it to us (please record in landscape). I will post the zoom link on Monday.

**Holy week services:**

**Maundy Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>** : we join with Emmanuel United and Rideau Park, link to come. 7pm.

**Good Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** livestream from Rideau Park

**Easter Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>** livestream from Rideau Park at 10am with Communion

## FAITH FORMATION - SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us this Sunday, March 21st from 1:00-2:00pm for our next Sunday School Session!!

The theme for this week is The World Around Us. We'll be continuing our journey through lent as well as exploring how animals see and navigate the world around us and how that might be different from how we see the world.

These gatherings are in partnership with Country Fun Nature Camp so send an email to [countryfunnaturecamp@gmail.com](mailto:countryfunnaturecamp@gmail.com) to register and then you will be provided with the zoom details.



## No Rummage please!

**Please do not bring or drop off Rummage donations** of any sort at the church. For public health reasons we are not able to hold a Spring Rummage Sale. Thank you for understanding.

### Other Rummage Drop off options in Ottawa:

Value Village: <https://stores.savers.com/on/ottawa/valuevillage-thrift-store-2081.html>

St. Vincent DePaul: <https://saintvincentdepaul.ca/>

Salvation Army: <https://thriftstore.ca/>

## KUC Tax receipts and Offerings

### Donations and Tax Receipts

By now you should have received your 2020 tax receipt in the mail. If you have not received it or have any questions please contact the church office or Nancy Brodie, Envelope Secretary.

We did not order new envelopes for 2021 but it is fine to use old envelopes. You can donate several ways:

- By Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) – contact Nancy Brodie
- By cheque – just put it in the mail, use a church envelope or not

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- By Interac E-Transfer to [donations@kitchissippiuc.com](mailto:donations@kitchissippiuc.com)
- Via Canada Helps

Your donation will go to general church operations or to any special purpose you indicate e.g. Mission and Service, Refugee Fund. FOR MORE INFORMATION: <http://www.kitchissippiuc.com/contact-us/donate/>

Your donations, whatever size, whatever frequency, whatever vehicle, are all very welcome.

Nancy Brodie [nancy.brodie@ncf.ca](mailto:nancy.brodie@ncf.ca) OR [fl244@ncf.ca](mailto:fl244@ncf.ca)

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### BROADVIEW (ON-LINE) BOOK CLUB

ZOOM Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89093844185>

**Broadview**  
SPIRITUALITY, JUSTICE AND ETHICAL LIVING

Tuesday March 24th Tuesday March 30th	Tuesday April 6th **Monday April 12th Tuesday April 20th Tuesday April 8th
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### VIRTUAL COFFEE TIME CONTINUES..

Thursdays 2021 is Virtual Coffee Time from 1:30 pm - 3 pm.

Please join us: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8925057455>

## WIDER CHURCH

**EASTER is coming and so is the Y Service Club Easter Plant sale for 2021!**

Thank you for supporting our recent fundraising efforts, the Thanksgiving and Christmas Plant Sales,



Go to <http://www.kitchissippiuc.com/carlington-chaplaincy-and-y-service-club-fundraiser/>

For more information and the General Order Form for this sale plus a page of plant photos with prices. Due to the pandemic, potted plants are in short supply and it is best to book early and we will hope that our supplier comes through. Email Dave Hall at [ysevice@primus.ca](mailto:ysevice@primus.ca) and confirm your order by paying by Interac e Transfer or by cheque to the Ottawa Y Service club. **The deadline for ordering is March 20th** and pickup is at Kitchissippi United Church on **Monday and Tuesday, March 29th and 30th.** Dave Hall

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**WE ARE HERE FOR YOU - PLEASE REACH OUT**

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