

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Kitchissippi
UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, April 24, 2022
2nd after EASTER SUNDAY

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP at 10 AM LIVE STREAM GO TO
WWW.KITCHISSIPPIUC.COM**

HERE IS THE LINK TO VIEW THE KUC YOUTUBE CHANNEL ON SUNDAYS
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwATU1rozB1PIlaRmr2teVA>

MESSAGE FROM REV. JENNI



Good day to you!

Two quick announcements: There is Trivia tonight at 7pm - see you then on zoom! <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82250633588>

The book *Everything Happens for a Reason (and other lies I've loved)* by Kate Bowler will not be in until next week, so our online book study will not begin until May 3rd from 1 - 3pm -

all are welcome! Here is the zoom

link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89093844185> If you'd like a copy - there is still time! Email me at jleslie@kitchissippiuc.com



More and more people are contracting covid and I guess I didn't want to believe it when an official (might have been Dr. Fauci?) said something like 'one day we'd all get it'. It has visited this household - we think Delaney brought it home from school after eating lunch with a good friend. It did take several days to become symptoms, but they were mild: a slight sore throat, occasional coughing. I tested positive on Wednesday and my symptoms are the same, plus an occasional mild headache. We are very lucky to have had both shots and a booster - we likely have them to thank for it being very mild. I'm very thankful for this. Hooray for science! As one of you wrote to me: "(I) am sure you've all been doing your best - and remember you all got this far after unrelenting discipline which has been so hard to keep up- and now the covid choreography at home begins." Unrelenting discipline indeed. I appreciated reading those words, as at first, it felt a little bit like a failure: contracting it after trying so hard not to.

I've recently discovered a book on my library app (Libby) called *Stories from Quarantine*, a book by the New York Times. It came out last month and includes authors Margaret Atwood, Colm Toibin and many others. It is based on the concept of *The Decameron*, written in 1353, by Giovanni Boccaccio. "It contains one hundred nested tales told by a group of young men and women passing the time at a villa outside Florence while waiting out the gruesome Black Death, a plague that killed more than 25 million people. Some of the stories are silly, some are bawdy, and some are like fables." (from the Indigo website) <https://www.chapters.indigo.ca/en-ca/books/stories-from-quarantine-29-new/9781982170813-item.html>

I have only made it through a few stories and they are resonating in my soul: the fear we all felt in March 2020, the isolation, the online shopping, the loneliness. Trying to make sense of a 'new normal' without any idea how to do that. So, we all improvised. We read more, walked more, cooked at home more. We all spent a lot more time with those we live with.

Diana and I have been talking about having a celebration at some point to say "yay we made it through" and we thought that might be this spring/summer. Perhaps the fall? We really don't know. But what we do know is that we are still a community of faith, still keen to gather together safely, still gathered around the word of God.

Whatever you do this weekend, know that you are a valuable, cherished member of the Kitchissippi community, beloved by God.

Easter Blessings,

Jenni

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING 2022

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Kitchissippi United Church will be holding its Annual General/ Congregation meeting this **Sunday, April 24, 2022 at 1PM via ZOOM ONLY**

Kitchissippi United church Zoom link
here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85090742855>

UCW

UCW will meet on Wednesday, May 4 at 1:00 pm in the KUC Parlour. Julianne Labreche from Master Gardeners of Ottawa will present to us on "Biodiversity at the Crossroads: Being aware of invasive and native plants." All women of the congregation are welcome."

Please note that Our EOORC UCW web page - <https://eoorc.ca/ministries/united-church-women-2/> includes information on the upcoming EOORC UCW AGM, Leadership Day, and Summer Event. If you have not visited it lately, please take a moment to check it out.

OUTREACH

Partage Share Ottawa, our community outreach project in Carlington, along with Neighbour 2 Neighbour, (individual contributions) need volunteers to find services and goods to help those who are financially challenged.

Saturday, April 23 - 11am You're welcome to join an online zoom training session on seeking contributions, led by Stone Soup Network founder, Alexa Gilmour.

Info session details:

Contributions Training Apr 23, 2022 11:00 AM

Meeting ID: 834 03123946

Passcode: 671853

Mother's Day plants from the Ottawa Y Service Club



We now have two weeks until Mother's Day and the final order for plants will go in on Monday, the 25th of April. If you want to make sure you get what you want, please order soon. Plants will arrive May 2nd, with pick up on the 3rd and 4th. Apparently some people did not get an order form with my last email. Here it is again along with a page of plant photos and prices.

As usual payment can be by cheque or Interac E transfer to our email at ysevice@primus.ca We also expect to sell at the Y that week for 1 or 2 days. Thanks for your continued support.

David Hall.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

ONGOING

Broadview Reading Club - Broadview Reading Club will be taking a hiatus and the Kitchissippi Book Club is going to restart. Listen for the book we will be reading on Easter Sunday and be in touch with Rev. Jenni if you'd like a copy.

Mens Group (online) - Gentlemen of KUC and the wider community meet **Thursday mornings from 9:30am to 11:00**. Discussions are wide ranging, as we attempt to solve all the world's problems, every week. If you want to join the Men's Group discussion please contact Doug Patriquin patriquinfam@sympatico.ca or Clayton Porteous at porteousclayton@outlook.com for the Zoom link.

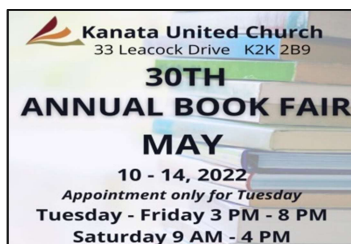
WIDER CHURCH

FIBRE FLING 2022 Virtual Art Show and Sale

Saturday, April 23 to Sunday, May 8, 2022

Visit us online at: www.fibre-fling.ca

FIBRE FLING 2022 showcases over 150 dazzling original works of art created by local textile and mixed media artists. These one-of-a-kind pieces are hand made using innovative approaches to traditional and contemporary techniques, such as dyeing, embroidery, beading, and felting. A portion of the show proceeds are donated to the Stephen Lewis Foundation and the Ottawa Food Bank.



30th Annual KUC Annual Book Fair from May 10 – 14, 2022

Appointments only for Tuesday.

Tuesday - Friday 3 - 8 PM, Saturday 9 AM - 4 PM

Gift cards are available. Proceeds go toward KUC programming and local community outreach. See www.kuc.ca for more details!

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