

Heartbeat Newsletter ~ September Edition 2018

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- lots more to read about!



Risking Faith Daring Hope



Emergency Pastoral Care

Coverage for August 31

Brett Boyko [student minister] at brett.boyko@gmail.com or office@beachuc.com/416-691-8082 (church office).

Coverage for September 1 to 16

Contact Marian Hilton at marian.hilton@sympatico.ca or office@beachuc.com/416-691-8082 (church office).

Marian [Pastoral Care Lead at BUC] will direct your concern to the appropriate person on the team. The "emergency pastoral care" team includes a United Church minister and people experienced in hospital visitation & conducting funerals.

Upcoming Events

Risking Faith - Daring Hope Sunday Worship Series with Jim McKibbin, worship leader

Sunday, September 2, 10: 30 a.m. – Risking Faith

Sunday, September 9, 10: 30 a.m. – Daring Hope

Sunday, September 16, 10: 30 a.m. – Heavenly Perspectives of a Different Sort *Worship teaser - "The Goddess is coming."*

Jim is a licensed lay worship leader [LLWL] within the United Church of Canada. A person recognised in such a way, has been determined to have gifts and a sense of call to the ministry of worship leadership and preaching, and who has developed these gifts through participation in a course of study and is licensed by a presbytery.

Green Thumbs Garden Group Tuesdays and Thursdays Come and join our gardening group. Help tend the garden and learn about the plants and connect with people who love the earth.

Saturday, September 1, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, September 11, 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 15, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, September 25, 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 29, 10 a.m.

Contact: jenniferh1chin@gmail.com.



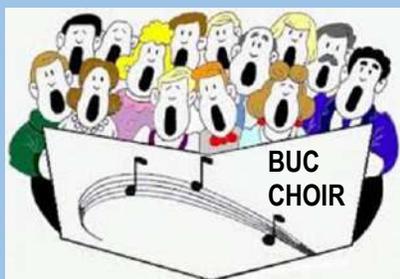
Crafters Thursday, Sept. 6, 9:30 a.m. in the nursery

Knitting for Shivering Children

Saturday, Sept. 8, 10 a.m. Room 1 and 2

Please join us for our first meeting of the season. We knit and crochet hats, sweaters, vests, blankets and toys for impoverished children who live in hot countries that get cold at night. We laugh, talk and drink coffee as much as we knit. All skill levels are welcome.

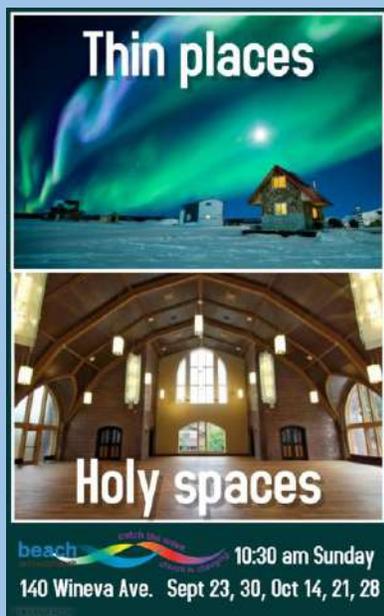
For more information, contact Pat Davies at patriciadavies@rogers.com or 416-465-3081.



Beach Cares Tuesday, Sept. 10, 7:00 p.m. Church office

Beach Choir Thursday, Sept. 13, 7:00 p.m. Main Hall

Do you love to sing? Looking for a relaxed, friendly environment and community to share your love of music? Consider joining the choir at Beach United Church. We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Beach United, and perform every second week in Sunday worship services from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. along with other special concerts throughout the year. From traditional choral, to gospel, jazz, and world music — we do it all! All voice types welcome. Please contact music director Steven Webb at music@beachuc.com for any questions and if you'd like to join.



Thin Places ~ Holy Spaces Fall Sunday Worship Series

Sunday, 10:30 a.m., Sept. 23 and 30, Oct. 14, 21 and 28

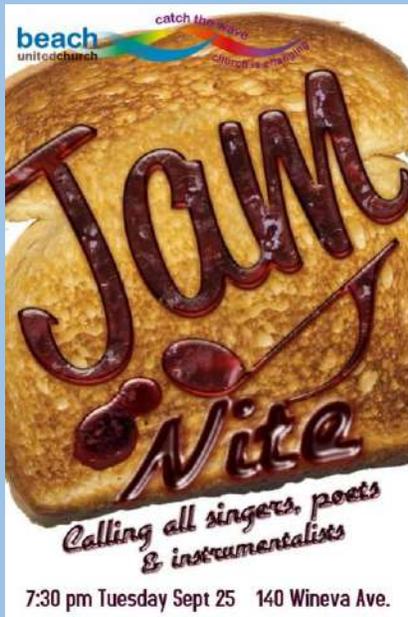
This series will begin by exploring the Holy Island of Lindisfarne on the north east coast of England, through the experience of Minister, Karen Dale who spent time on the island as part of her study leave. Nursery care is available.

Diversifying Self-Care: Art & Spirit Open to Young Adults (21-35)

Friday, Sept. 28, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Join us for an evening of interactive discussion about self-care and growth. We will provide dinner with vegan/halal options and have a song writing workshop after. This is an open group for young adults looking to connect creatively and grow. To register, click [here](#) or contact Dayna Browne, Coordinator of Children and Youth Programming at youth@beachuc.com.





Jam Nite Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a fun, relaxed jam session at Beach United Church. Bring your instrument, your voice, a song to share. No musical skill level needed, just enthusiasm to make music together.

To register, click [here](#).

Jazz & Reflection Saturday, Sept. 29, 4:30 p.m.

“Upon the Stars” featuring the **David Occhipinti Trio**, with David Occhipinti on guitar, Aline Homzy on violin, and Virginia MacDonald on the clarinet.

David Occhipinti is a recording artist who has released multiple Juno nominated CDs that feature his own original compositions and his unique voice as a composer and as a guitarist. “There are no borders, no walls,” the musician and composer says. “Just the Earth, I don’t think of music categories at all.” David has performed all across Canada, in the U.S., Europe, Japan, and in Italy, where he lived for almost three years.

David Occhipinti studied in New York with the legendary jazz guitarist and composer, Jim Hall, during the mid-1990s. Jim Hall referred to David’s Camera CD (2012) as an absolute gem.

Death Diner? Seriously?

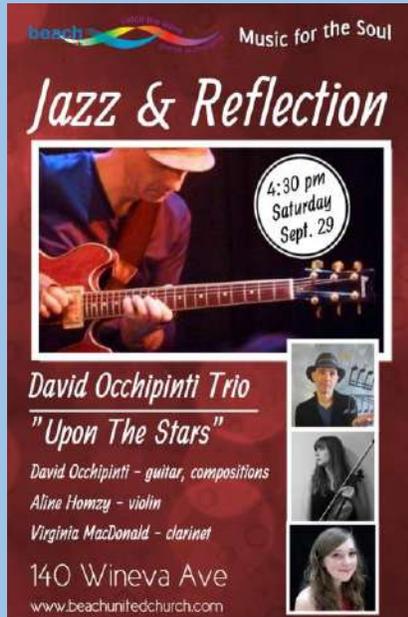
Well, yeah. It happens to us all, and yet, talking about it is taboo. So we’re offering a chance to change that. Four dinners where the conversation is death and dying. Each one with an experienced discussion leader - a doctor, a spiritual guide, a hospice leader, a mindfulness educator. We call the series Death Diner. And it’s open to anyone. So tell your friends, family, neighbours -- anyone who’s ready for some frank conversation about Life’s Biggest Challenge.

When: Four Wednesday evenings, 6 to 9 p.m., October 3 and 17, November 7 and 28. A light meal will be provided.

Where: Beach United Church

Cost: By donation

Registration begins September 4 through Eventbrite or the BUC office. For more information: Karen Watson (karen.watson@kmwatson.com).





Lane Dedications

Suzanne Beard Lane

When: Saturday, September 29, 4:00 p.m.

Where: Lane north of Queen Street East extending between Elmer Avenue and Herbert Avenue.

Chris Van Santen Lane

When: Saturday, October 20, 12:00 p.m.

Where: Lane located north of Queen Street East, extending westerly from Willow Avenue.

As a way of celebrating the lives of two people who were connected with Beach United Church, you are invited to participate in the official ceremonies to acknowledge these special people. Suzanne was a big part of the supply line for the Interfaith Lunch Program. Chris was the son of Lori Van Santen and sister of Vickie, members of the former Kew Beach United Church.

Work with Pegasus Community Project

An Update from Nicole Tanti, Community Engagement Coordinator

I have had the pleasure of working with Pegasus Community Project, an organization based in the Beaches that offers day programs for adults with developmental disabilities. With my background in gardening, I have been able to assist Pegasus with their new community garden plot at Matty Eckler Community Garden located at Pape and Gerrard. We planted tomatoes, kale, strawberries, mint and rosemary. Pegasus participants visit the garden daily and are now enjoying fresh garden mint tea regularly! Jennifer Chin, one of our BUC Green Thumbs joined me for the last workshop and we were able to help with maintenance and some serious tomato staking! For more information on Pegasus, click on pegasustoronto.ca or visit their wonderful thrift store at 931 Kingston Road.

Parking Lot Site Plan

An Update from Ron Fitton

Having made a number of required revisions to the parking lot site plan and lighting plan, we have finally received approval for the design and layout. The next step is the application process for a building permit and permission to construct. It is difficult to predict how long each of these steps will take. The parking lot team is optimistic that construction will begin sometime in September, and the contractor has indicated 4 to 6 weeks to complete. Landscaping will follow in late fall, and the operation should be able to start before the end of the year. Fingers crossed!!