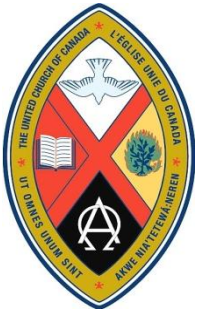


April 29, 2018



Announcements for Gordon United Church

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We are happy to have you with us this morning!

We invite you to join us after the service in the CE Hall so we have a chance to meet you. If you are new or visiting, please sign the Guest Book located at the back of the sanctuary.

- Please speak to an Usher if you require larger print Bulletins or Hearing Assistance equipment.
- For the children there are Activity sheets and books available at the back of the church & in the upstairs Loft.
- A Children's Program is planned following Learning Together. The Leaders will guide the children to the Sunday school area. Gordon United Church strives to be fragrance free.

Stewardship Seconds:

Bearing much spiritual fruit is a sign of good discipleship and good stewardship.

Today at Gordon

Ushers – Addison Lee and Anne Appleton
 Greeter – Darlene Elliott
 Call to Worship – Jeannette Sturgeon
 Scripture Reading – Val Allen
 Minutes for Mission –
 Coffee Makers – GAG

Chair of Council - Anna Mary McIlwain
 office@gordonunitedchurch.ca

Today

Please come to the church hall after the service to help welcome the new church members that are being recognized in the service, and enjoy a bunwich, some cake and refreshments. Bid on your favorite item in the silent auction!

Announcements

Rev. Heidi will be away from May 3 to 13th for mandated Holiday leave and May 31-June 10 for the Conference AGM and a silent retreat. Services will be led by Pat Wilson in May, Ed Cawley and Emily Jarrett in June. Emergency pastoral care will be provided by the Rev. Alanna Menu of Centennial United all days except May 31th to June 3 when Heidi will be checking cell phone messages (but will be out of town). To reach Alanna, please contact the office, the Pastoral Care Team, or call Centennial.

Teacher needed for Sunday School: Thank-you to those who have volunteered to help. We could also use an extra substitute teacher, who can prepare lesson plans and lead them. Curriculum is

provided. Please speak to Jennifer Burgin or to Rev. Heidi if you can help!

Volunteer garden help required anytime during the week to help with the Church flower gardens. Even an hour makes a difference! Contact Judy Muir at (250) 478-9650.

Seeking housing: (Update) Still looking for a room or apartment for a young retired woman. If you are able to help, please let Rev. Heidi know.

NAMETAGS! If you have one, please don't forget to wear it! If you don't, please ask one of the ushers for a form to fill out so we can get you one.

Thrifty Foods have approved the funds from the use of our **Smile Cards** to the repair of the CE Hall Roof. If you use this smile card at Thrifty's, 05 cents from each dollar spent comes to Gordon United Church. Please see Ken McDougall or Judy Muir for a Smile Card if you don't already have one.

Observer Magazine – for those wishing to subscribe or re-subscribe please see Deanna Robb (250-294-6737) Cost is \$25.00.

Food Bank – Please bring grocery bags. We cannot use bread bags or cello bags.

Compassionate Resource Warehouse – always seeking clean linens, face cloths, towels, bandages, empty prescription pill bottles, etc to go overseas. **Our Place** is in urgent need for men's and women's undergarments, shampoo, gardening items, blankets and tissues. A donation box is in the church office.

Upcoming events - Gordon United Church

May 5, 2018 4:00 PM-6:00 PM Messy Church at Gordon United. Something for the entire family. Includes a free supper.

May 6, 2018 Soup Sunday, Food Bank Sunday,

May 10, 2018 – Open Garden and Plant Sale, 999 Loch Glen Place. **1:00-4:00 PM, 7:00-8:00 PM.** Enjoy refreshments and the garden. We are accepting any garden items. All proceeds to Gordon United Church improvements. Please contact Tish Portelance (250) 478-1350.

May 14, 2018 6:00 PM Community Dinner Co-hosted by West Village Church. Come and meet some new people at our free community dinner.

May 15, 2018 1:30 PM The Book Club will be meeting in the lounge at Gordon United to discuss the book *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult. There are several copies in the library including talking books. For further information contact Marilyn at 250-478-9162 or email frenchm00@yahoo.com

May 20, 2018 12:00 PM Lunch Bunch location TBA. Priory Worship 3:00 PM

May 27, 2018 Bunwich Sunday, Silent Auction

Weekly Events at Gordon United Church

Monday 1:00-3:00PM Study Group meets in the Lounge, discussing articles from the award-winning *United Church Observer* magazine. A reading list is posted on the board outside the Minister's Study; readings and a schedule are available in a folder outside the Church Office, or can be found online at www.ucobserver.org. All are welcome to attend. (If there are those who would be interested in a virtual Facebook-based Study Group, please let Rev Heidi know.) This study is canceled May 7 and 21st.

Wednesdays

10:00 – 11:00 AM Yoga.

7:30 – 9:00 PM Choir rehearsal

Thursdays

10:00 – 11:30 AM Coffee & Conversation. This is a casual, get-to-know-each-other event. *Everyone Welcome.*

Monthly meetings at Gordon United Church

May 6, 2018 12:15 PM Property and Finance (L)

May 8, 2018 1:00 PM – UCW

May 15, 2018 7:00PM Council Meeting

May 13, 2018 12:30PM Prayer Chain (L)

Events of interest in our community

May 11, 2018. 7:30 PM 3 Knights with a Tenor featuring music of Andrew Lloyd Webber, Elton John, and Paul McCartney. Church of the Advent, Langford. Email kenlavigne.com for tickets.

August 3-5, 2018 Consider going to Camp Pringle family camp this year. This is a special rate for United Church families of **\$110.00** for adults, **\$80.00** for children 4-12 and children 0-3 are **FREE**. *Early bird discount.*

Need support?

Pastoral Care

We invite anyone who is in need of Pastoral support to contact:

Adele Morley – 250.590.2507 or

Betty Pellaers – 778.430.3073

Email: pastoralcare@gordonunitedchurch.ca

If you'd like a visit from Rev. Heidi, please contact the office to make arrangements, or, in an emergency, call 250-857-6632.

Prayer Chain

We welcome your prayer requests. Please contact: Nancy Sturrock 250.479.0239 or the church office 250.478.6632

Please renew your requests monthly to help keep our lists and prayers current.

"Do you or does someone you know need prayer NOW? Email prayerinaminute@gmail.com with first name and a short message. We'll send up a burst of prayer."