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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. Fill out one of the cards in the pews and hand to an usher or place in the offering plate.

- 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.
- Gordon United Church strives to be fragrance free.

Generosity sometimes means sharing our knowledge as well as our more tangible gifts.

Today at Gordon

Ushers – John Davies and Jan Woods
 Greeter – Carolyn Matheson
 Call to Worship – Val Allen
 Scripture Reading – Val Allen
 Minute for Gordon – Carolyn Matheson and
 Anna Mary McIlwain
 Coffee Makers – GAG (& Bunwich!)
 Chair of Council – Anna Mary McIlwain

Today

It is **Bunwich Sunday!** Please join us after the service today for a bunwich, tea, coffee and goodies in the CE Hall. We'd love to meet you!

Announcements

Reverend Heidi will be away from the office February 4th to 10th for Continuing Education time; for emergencies please call her cell (250-857-6632). **Pat Wilson** will be leading worship on the 10th.

Activity Aprons - A friend with Westshore Quilters is involved in a charity project making Activity Aprons for the Gorge Hospital Dementia Patients. She is looking for new or slightly used aprons to decorate with large buttons, etc. This request originated from one of the therapists at the Gorge Hospital. I will appreciate any aprons you may be able to donate. **Tish Portelance**



2019 Nomination Vacancies: Please see the CE Hall Bulletin Board for current vacancies on the 2019 GUC Nomination List. Job descriptions for

each of the vacancies are also posted. Please see any Council Member if you have questions.

Events of Interest in Our Church

Saturday, January 26 4:30pm - Messy Church hosted by Church of the Advent at 510 Mt. View Ave. Theme is "Celebrating Diversity in the Whole Body of Christ" *Details on poster in CE Hall.*

Tuesday, February 5 at 1:00pm – UCW Meeting in the Church Lounge Please note the date has changed to Feb 5. All women are welcome.

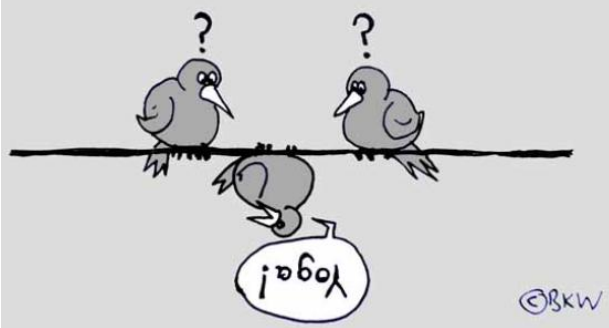
Sunday, February 10 Cookie Sale! The Get Acquainted Group will be having a Cookie Sale on February 10. As well as our delicious cookies we would appreciate any donations from the congregation of your delicious cookies to help with this sale. Prices are \$6.00 for a baker's dozen...\$3.00 for half dozen...or 50 cents each.

Our Annual Meetings will take place on February 17th and 24th. The 17th will be during the worship service. Each group will be invited to give 1 or 2 highlights or significant events in the year – to a maximum of 1 minute! If your group, committee or team would like to share these verbal highlights, please let our Chair of Council, Anna Mary McIlwain, know who will be doing so. Please be prepared for a longer service than usual to allow for any needed discussion. We will feed you! On the 24th after worship there will be a meeting to Review and Vote on Financial issues, including the 2019 budget. Please plan to attend. Annual Reports will be available Sun, Feb 3, so you will be able to read in advance and prepare any questions you may have.

Weekly Events at Gordon United Church

Monday Study Group 1:00pm–3:00pm in the Lounge. We're using the book "*Revelation for Progressive Christians*" for our next period of study.

Wednesdays 10:00-11:00am Yoga! in CE Hall



Wednesdays 7:30-9:00pm – Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome, regardless of musical experience. Join the fun: singing, laughing and preparing joyful music for Sunday services.

Thursdays 10:00-11:30am - Coffee & Conversation in the CE Hall. This is a casual, get-to-know-each-other event. *Everyone is Welcome.*

Events of interest sponsored by other United Churches

New United Church Organizational Structure
For more information, see the bulletin board in the CE Hall (near kitchen door), or online at this [link](#).



Sunday, February 10 4:30pm The 2 Spectrum Fellowship for Spiritual/Faith-based LGBTQ Folk and Allies. Pot Luck & Conversation at 7180 East Saanich Rd. Central Saanich United Church. For details: QVC @shaw.ca or 250-652-2713.

February 22-24, 2019 Island Youth Group weekend retreat "Taking Off the Blinders" at Camp Pringle. *Details and registration forms on the CE Hall bulletin board.*

Events and Outreach in our community

Wednesday January 30, 7:00pm Congregation Emanu-El Adult Education Committee presents "The Sacred Craft of the Sofar" with Dov Berger at Congregation Emanu-El Synagogue, 1461 Blanshard Street. *Details on poster in CE Hall.*

Tuesday February 19, 1:30pm Book Club in the Main Lounge here at Gordon United. We will be discussing "Magpie Murders" by Anthony Horowitz. For further information contact Marilyn at mrfrench@telus.net or phone 250-478-9162

Our Place Warm Jackets/Clothing and Winter Blankets: There's a drop box, in the Gordon United Church Office, for warm clothing as well as toiletries for the many people who use our shower facilities each day. **Our Place Winter Newsletter** is posted outside the kitchen and available online at this [link](#). **Our Place is also looking for DVD donations for their movie nights.**

Need support? Pastoral Care

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

Dianne Wilson McDougall - (250) 391-7550

(home) or (250) 415-9461 (cell)

Ruth or Ken Kelbough - (250) 478-5450

Adele Morley – 250.590.2507

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 call 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 prayerinamminute@gmail.com with first name and a short message. We'll send up a burst of prayer.