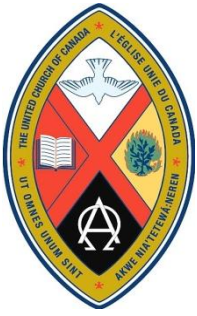


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Gordon United Church Announcements

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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 need large 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.

Could sharing our gifts with those who need them be part of God's hope for the world?

Today at Gordon

Ushers – Anne Appleton & John Davies
 Greeter – Darlene Elliott
 Call to Worship – Adele Morley
 Scripture Reading – Pat Larre
 Minute for Gordon – Judy Muir
 Coffee Makers – Men of the Church
 Chair of Council – Anna Mary McIlwain
 office@gordonunitedchurch.ca

Today

Please join us after the service today for tea & coffee in the CE Hall. We'd love to meet you!

And don't forget the C-O-O-K-I-E-S



Announcements

Reverend Heidi is away from the office this week for Continuing Education time; for emergencies please call her cell (250-857-6632). **Pat Wilson** will be leading worship today.

Celebrations of Life for **Grace Hiemstra** will be held on **Friday, Feb 15th at 2:00**, and for **Don Smith** on **Saturday, Feb 16th at 2:00**.

All are welcome.

Please help our catering volunteers as this will be a very busy weekend (two memorial teas and an Annual Meeting lunch!)

Thank you Gordon Family: I wish to thank the people of Gordon United for their phone calls, good wishes and thoughtfulness. The prayer shawl is precious, cozy, lovely. It is being well used. So much work and love put into it! I am moving along slowly and hope to be back. Thank you again and God love all.
Ona Henderson

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.

OLive: It's time to start thinking about your contribution to the Spring edition of The OLive. Our theme is "Signs of Spring". Tell us what signifies "spring is here" to you - whether it's that first cherry blossom in your garden or the first coffee-on-the-deck day or the relegation of scarves and mitts to the back of the closet...and tell us why. Deadline is Tuesday, February 26th, but you don't have to wait until the last minute. Early submissions are always gratefully received. Email to the church office, put in the OLive mailbox in the hall, or give them to me personally. Pat Wilson

Events of Interest in Our Church

Sunday, February 10 Cookie Sale (TODAY!) The Get Acquainted Group is having a Cookie Sale. 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.

Monday, February 11 6:00pm (tomorrow) Community Dinner Co-hosted by West Village Church. Come and meet some new people at our free community dinner.

Our Annual Meetings will take place on February 17th and 24th. The first meeting will be during the worship service. Each group will be invited to give 1 or 2 highlights of significant events in the year – maximum 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. 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.

Note: Annual Reports from last week are missing the UCW financial report; please pick up a copy of the extra page. Also, please correct the 2019 Penny Auction date in the UCW report to March 22, not 29 (reports picked up today are correct). The report is also available on our website at this [link](#).

Saturday, February 23, 2019 Messy Church 4:30-6:30pm MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE! Please search your homes for cans (especially large soup cans and coffee cans), tissue boxes, bottle caps, ridged water or soda bottles and anything else we can use for making musical instruments. Anyone willing to demonstrate how to play a musical instrument is VERY welcome. We also need a couple of griddles and pancake makers! Everyone is welcome. Questions? Contact Val valallen@shaw.ca

Weekly Events at Gordon United Church

Monday Study Group will resume Monday, Feb 11.

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

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.

Events and Outreach in our community

Tuesday, February 19, 1:30pm Book Club in the Main Lounge here at Gordon United. We will be discussing "Magpie Murders" by Anthony Horowitz. Contact Marilyn French at (250) 478-9162.

Thursday, February 14, 7:00-9:00pm Family Caregivers Support Group of BC in the Lounge. The FCBC is very pleased to be a new tenant at Gordon United Church; meetings are in the main floor lounge, monthly on the 2nd Thursdays. See *their newsletters on CE Hall bulletin board in "Resources"*.

Saturday, March 2, 6:00pm WestShore Lobsterfest 2019 Dinner and Down Home Kitchen Party; proceeds to Sarah Beckett Memorial Playground. *Details on CE Hall bulletin board.*

Our Place URGENT NEEDS: With the recent cold snap, we are in serious need of **gloves**. We so appreciate your continued support in keeping our family members warm this winter. There's a box in the church office for your donations of gloves, blankets, sleeping bags, jackets and winter clothing. **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?

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.

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.

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.