



Gordon United Church Announcements

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We are happy to share worship with you on YouTube! It's a brave new world!

*We invite you to join us after the service on Zoom. The connection information is not publicly available and is **sent via email only**, so if you do not receive our emails, we would love to add you to our distribution list.*

*Whether you are new or visiting, or have been a congregation member for many years, please feel free to send your contact information to the Office (contact information above, in **GREEN**). We would be happy to add you to our weekly email distribution list and/or update our church directory. **WELCOME!***



**Everything comes from God and belongs to God;
we give, not in tribute to God's power, but in gratitude for what we have been given.**



Sunday, October 4:

[CLICK HERE FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE](#)

**Don't forget to pick up your communion kits,
as well as your letter, from the basket on the
front porch of the church.**



Thank you to our Reader for today, **Pat Wilson**, all the way from the beach near her new home in Pictou, Nova Scotia. We even see a glimpse of Scoopy on the shore!

- Scriptures: Isaiah 51: 1-7
- Psalm 80
- Gospel: Matthew 21: 33-46



Zoom Meeting

Sunday's Zoom meetings begin at 11:15am
See your Friday email for the connection information!

Opening Prayer

(will be on-screen in the video)

Faithful God,

We awaken ourselves to Your presence as we awaken too, to our discovery of who we have become. We know we were created in Your image, that You have a history of bringing us out of slavery and into freedom and we long to find that freedom today. We know You as the great restorer –able to help us transform all injustice into the kingdom of heaven on earth, and we open ourselves to be part of that movement. We know that even as You call us to carry justice forward into Your world, we are called to be peacemakers, ones that in the face of strife, and conflict strive to show all the beauty and blessedness of God's love upon one another. We listen. Amen.

Hymn Books

If you would hymnbooks bible for the months, to home, Rose in the sign out a set to you, consisting of Voices United, More Voices and the NRSV bible (New Revised Standard Version).



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OLive Postponed

Dear Friends:

My brain hurts! I have been unable to recover any of your OLive submissions that I had carefully stored in a separate mail folder - the same folder that is now dead, missing, or in parts unknown. When I contacted the Apple Care techie, he said, "Oh, sometimes those email folders go missing. They're somewhere on your MacBook - we just don't know where." An hour of fruitless searching with him yielded nothing.

I do have some of the later emails that didn't make it into the folder, but the bulk of them, and the photos, etc., have all be swallowed up into the cyber abyss. So...the Covid-19 edition of the OLive has gone into self-isolation, for which I apologize. It is simply not to be. Sometimes, you have to admit defeat, retire gracefully from the field of battle, and call it a day.

Pat Wilson



**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.**

Pastoral Care

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

Adele Morley - (250) 590-2507
Betty Pellaers - (778) 430-3073
Deanna Robb - (250) 294-6737
Dianne Wilson McDougall - (250) 391-7550
(home) or (250) 415-9461 (cell)
Ruth Kelbough - (250) 478-5450

Email: pastoralcare@gordonunitedchurch.ca

If you'd like a phone chat with Melanie Ihmels, please contact the office to make arrangements or email minister@gordonunitedchurch.ca.

In an emergency, call (250) 857-9124.

Tim Olfert

Photographed at this week's service video session and stylized with a little help from computer technology:



Regional Council Prayer Cycles

Ecumenical Focus this week:

**Costa Rica, El Salvador,
Nicaragua, Panama**

Loving God, I offer myself to you.
May my mind think of you,
and my eyes see the needs of others.
May my ears hear the cries of the world
and my voice speak of you.
May my hands work for your reign
and my feet walk on your path.
May my life be used in your service
and my heart love you more than
anything else.
May the joy of the Lord be my strength to serve
him all the days of my life.

(Opening worship of the regional meeting of the Methodist Church in Latin America and the Caribbean, 11 May 2002, Panama)

**World Council of Churches
Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer**

<https://www.oikoumene.org/en/resources/prayer-cycle>

Interfaith Calendar

<http://www.interfaith-calendar.org/2020.htm>

