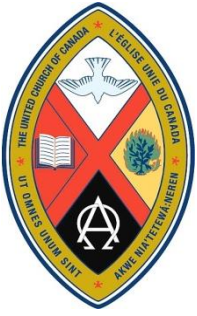


Sunday, June 27, 2021



## Gordon United Church Announcements

<http://www.gordonunitedchurch.ca> [office@gordonunitedchurch.ca](mailto:office@gordonunitedchurch.ca)

Check us out on Facebook

935 Goldstream Avenue, Victoria BC, V9B 2Y2 - Phone 250.478.6632

*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!*

**Stewardship means learning how to receive as well as how to give.  
God's gifts can come from the most unlikely places; when we recognize  
and accept them for what they are, everyone benefits.**

Sunday, June 27, 2021

[CLICK HERE FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE](#)

### Sunday Zoom Meetings

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

### Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>

Rev Heidi is on holidays this week and we welcome **Melanie Ihmels** to lead worship online at the regular 10am Sunday time. (Rev. Alanna Menu is available for emergency pastoral care June 15-30)



### Today is Canadian Multiculturalism Day!

[CLICK HERE](#) and read all about it on the United Church of Canada website.

### Summertime Plans

Today is our last online worship service on YouTube for the summer. Services will be held outdoors, rain or shine, at 10 am starting July 4th, with 54 people allowed to attend.

Please save your spot for the service by phoning the church office at 250-478-6632. You will be asked how many in your household will be attending, and whether you intend to remain in your car or sit outside for the service. You will be able to connect to the service via FM radio in addition to regular audio. Bringing your own chair is encouraged.

Don't forget to dress for the weather!

We want to hear your feedback – if you would like online services to continue in some form in the fall, or you find outdoor and/or indoor services meet your needs. Print copies of the service will continue to be delivered or mailed upon request. Audio recordings may also be made available.

Volunteers will be needed to help screen and sign people in, handle offering and communion, direct traffic and monitor activities in and out of the building on Sunday mornings. Training will be provided. If you would like to help, please leave your name with the office.

## Pride Month Resources from UCC

For Pride Month, the United Church has produced three videos lifting up Asian LGBTQ2S+ voices from across the church. [CLICK HERE](#) to view the three videos.

## From Melanie:



1. As you gaze at the image, notice your breath and your body.
2. Simply be present to the image and allow it to speak to your heart, without any particular agenda. It might speak to you in words or wordlessly.
3. How do you feel looking at the image?
4. If you were in the image, where would you place yourself?
5. Do you get a glimpse of the sacred from this image? Is God speaking to you in this image?
6. Does a name for God arise for you from this image?

## Upper Room Daily Devotional Booklet

Hello friends, it is time to order your annual subscription to The Upper Room or to consider starting one! Please let me know by June 30<sup>th</sup> if you would like to subscribe to this excellent daily devotional resource. Because we have enough participants, the annual cost is \$15. Thank you to all the subscribers so far! My contact information is available through the Gordon United Church office if you don't already have it.

Linda DiMambro

# Come to Camp Spirit at Gordon United Church!

935 Goldstream Avenue, Victoria, BC.

Camp Spirit continues your Child's journey of Wonder - encouraging campers to explore faith through listening and experiencing the sacred stories, enjoy times of creativity and science, move to music, share a meal together and appreciate getting to know one another! Trained, screened staff & volunteers provide leadership and care while following health orders and camp's comprehensive COVID-19 protocols.

**Monday July 12 to Friday July 16**  
**9am to 3pm**  
**Day Camp for Children 5-11 years**  
**Leader In Training Program for Youth 12-14 years**

\$125. Includes lunch, snacks, program materials, and a Camp Spirit t-shirt!  
L.I.T. Participants explore leadership skills, team building and supervised leadership with Day Camp campers - while making friends, hanging out and having fun!

**Register online at [CampSpirit.ca](http://CampSpirit.ca)**

or call Natalia at the Camp Spirit Office:  
1-800-934-0434 (toll free in BC) or 604-431-0434 Ext 6487

Confidential, supportive Camper Bursaries are available!  
Please don't let the price keep your Child from coming to camp.



## It's getting closer!!!

Camp Spirit is coming July 12th to 16th, and with COVID19 rules changing, we can welcome volunteers who'd like to work with the kids for an hour or two on an afternoon during the week! If you have a craft, game, or skill you'd like to share, some stories to tell, or especially if you have a project related to community outreach the kids can help with without leaving the church OR that you can tell the kids about, please contact Rev. Heidi. You do NOT need to have a Criminal Record Check, as all activities involving the children will be supervised by Camp Spirit staff. Our theme is the Promise of the Rainbow, and is focused on inclusion and diversity.

## Invitation from Esquimalt UCC

**THIS CANADA DAY, WEAR ORANGE,  
BRING DRUMS, BEAR WITNESS.**

Let's act in reconciliation and honour Indigenous Peoples. Thursday July 1, 5:30pm to 6:30pm on the front stairs of **Esquimalt United Church**. Join for the full hour or part. No registration required. Masks are required. 500 Admirals Rd.



## Council Update

AGM Update: July 4th there will be a brief Annual Meeting following the outdoor worship service. Agenda:

1. Any questions regarding the Annual Report for 2020;
2. Nominations and Elections: John Nanson has been nominated for the position of Trustee. Other important positions we need to fill: Vice Chair of Council, Communications Liaison, Spiritual Leadership Liaison, and Pacific Mountain Regional Council Rep. All of these positions (excepting the Trustee position) involve a seat on Council, which meets monthly. Please contact any member of Council or Rev. Heidi for a position description. We would also love to have volunteers to help with managing the sound board on Sunday mornings; and if there are people who would be interested in learning how to videorecord, edit, and post services online, we would be thrilled to hear from you!

COVID-19 Update: The church building and office will remain closed until after Labour Day. Please call the office if you need to come by.

## Fairway Cards

As most of you know by now, we will no longer be doing the Thrifty Foods fund raising cards. Instead, the Property and Finance Committee would like you to consider the Fairway Cards. We receive 5% of what you spend. You can use your credit card to load the gift card so will also earn points.

Please email Pat Larre at : [larres@telus.net](mailto:larres@telus.net) if you want a card, one will be mailed or dropped off for you. Thank you.

*Pat Larre*

## Hymnbooks

You are encouraged to sign out a set of hymnbooks so that you can follow along during worship services both online and in person (but singing is only allowed in your own car!). Please call the office to arrange for pick-up, or sign out a set on a Sunday in July. (We cannot distribute books in the usual manner due to COVID19 restrictions). We've been told by the health authorities that group singing in public is going to be one of the last things allowed in the phased-in return to "normal".

# Broadview

Would anyone interested in subscribing to **Broadview Magazine** this year please call Deanna Robb @ (250) 294 6737 or email [dm-robb@hotmail.com](mailto:dm-robb@hotmail.com) The cost of a one year subscription remains at \$25.00. Looking forward to hearing from you.

*Deanna Robb*

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## Summer Flowers at Gordon United



Hollyhocks