

Gordon United Church Announcements

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- ❖ We're glad to see you. All are welcome at Gordon United Church!
- Please speak to an Usher if you need large print bulletins or hearing assistance equipment.
- Please join us after the service in the CE Hall for refreshments and social time.
- ❖ We value all ages and expect children to act like children, not miniature adults! There are children's activity sheets, toys, craft supplies, and books available at the back of the church and in the upstairs loft. Feel free to take them to your seat if that is more comfortable for you.
- ♦ Whether you are new or visiting, or have been a congregation member for many years, we would invite you to send your contact information to the Office (contact information above, in purple). We would be happy to add you to our weekly email distribution list and/or update our church directory. Nametags are available by filling out the yellow or orange sheets on the ushers' tables and outside the church office.
- ❖ Gordon United Church strives to be fragrance-free. Did you know that most fragrances (e.g., those in perfumes, scented aftershaves, scented lotions, and room sprays) break down into other chemicals when released into the air; Very often these chemicals can have more serious environmental and health implications compared to the actual fragrance compound. Fragrances add to indoor and outdoor air pollution and harm us all.

Proclaim the good news! Believe in the good news! Let us be good stewards of God's good news.



The Coldest Night of the Year is coming February 24th, and once again Gordon United will be walking that night in support of Our Place and the Pacific Centre for the Family here in the Westshore. You can walk 2km or 5km - you decide. If you'd like to be part of our team (to walk with us or walk on your own) please cut and paste the following link into your browser:

https://secure.e2rm.com/registrant/ TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=100 5606&langPref=en-CA

We were among the top faith-based fundraisers last year, so let us see if we can do even better this year! All walkers who raise a minimum amount can proudly wear a "Coldest Night of the Year" toque! A reminder that the first Sunday of the month is Communion Sunday; it is also Food Bank Sunday. We collect donations all month but make a special effort to remind people that food, hygiene items, and financial donations to the Goldstream Food Bank are welcomed particularly on that Sunday.

VERY IMPORTANT DATES

January 28th – All of the Annual Reports are due in the Office by this date at the very latest.

February 11th - The Annual Report is to be out for the Congregants.

February 25th – 2023 Annual General Meeting.

Broad View's United Grand Opening

You are warmly invited to
Broad View United's
Grand Opening Celebration
Sunday, January 21st
2-3 PM
3703 St. Aidan's Street



Thank you to those who take care of the library.

The Stewardship Team

****Spring Fundraisers****

There are a few ideas in the works. Please consider setting aside books for a book sale (confirmed), as well as some odds and ends for a garage/white elephant sale (possible). Save your old tax forms and personal info for a Shredding fundraiser. All dates are TBD.

Regular Fundraiser - Twice a month we pick up baked goods donated by Cob's Bread. People willing to take the time to go pick up, sort, and put out the wonderful bread products we all enjoy are always needed. Please contact Judy Muir or check out the sign-up list on the "Ways to get involved" board in the Hall.

What is happening at Gordon United Church?

<u>Choir -</u> Sundays after the service, at noon we practice in the sanctuary. All are welcome, regardless of musical experience. Join us: singing, laughing, and preparing joyful, uplifting music for Sunday services.

Westshore Parky –The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 31, 2024, at 1:30 pm.

Support group for spouses, partners, and others, who are supporting people with Parkinson's, meets monthly on the last Wednesday, in the hall.

<u>Coffee and Conversation</u> – Thursdays

Come join church friends for social time@10:00 am

Pastoral Care

We invite anyone who needs Pastoral support to contact one of us by phone, or email:

pastoralcare@gordonunitedchurch.ca

Adele Morley - (250) 590-2507 Deanna Robb - (250) 294-6737 Dianne Wilson McDougall - (250) 391-7550 (home) or (250) 415-9461 (cell)

Ruth Kelbough - (250) 478-5450

Our Next Free Community Dinner



IS MONDAY, FEB 12TH Everyone is welcome!

FOR THE LOVE Of Africa Society and THE CORDOVA BAY UNITED CHURCH



Invite you to A Valentine's Tea & Dance. Come, and bring your friends for dancing, entertainment, and refreshments.

When: Saturday afternoon, February 10,

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Where: Cordova Bay United Church Hall, 813 Claremont Avenue

Admission \$30

Supporting the ongoing work of FTLOA in TANZANIA CBUC'S ongoing work with Outreach

For reservations please call 250 658-4451