



Announcements

December 1, 2024

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 1

- * Worship, 10am, In-Person and Livestream
Followed by Fellowship Time in the Hall.

Tuesday, December 3

- * Worship Meeting, 9:30am, Friendship Room

Thursday, December 5

- * Chime Choir Practice, 6:30pm
- * Choir Practice, 7pm, Friendship Room

A message from Council....

Council has given their blessing to form a committee to begin the process of exploring becoming an affirming ministry in the UCC. We are asking our community of faith here at Cordova Bay to prayerfully consider serving on this committee.

Please contact Pastor Beth if you have any questions and if you want to participate in this meaningful project.

Blessings, The Council.

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Here are all the programs and activities happening at CBUC this week. Church activities are listed in yellow.

Sunday, December 1

- * **Worship, 10am, Sanctuary**
- * Piano Recital, 2pm, Sanctuary
- * Saanich Squares, 7pm, Hall

Monday, December 2

- * Yoga, 10:45am, Hall
- * Embers, 6pm, Youth Lounge
- * Jazzercise, 6pm, Hall
- * Embers, 7pm, Hall
- * Victoria Arion Male Choir, 6:30pm, Sanctuary

Tuesday, December 3

- * Jazzercise, 8:30am, Hall
- * IH Adult Day Program, 9:30am, Hall
- * **Worship Meeting, 9:30am, Friendship Room**
- * Zumba, 5:30pm, Hall
- * KSI Karate, 7pm, Hall

Wednesday, December 4

- * Yoga, 10:45am, Hall
- * Sparks, 5pm, Hall
- * Jazzercise, 6pm, Hall

Thursday, December 5

- * Jazzercise, 8:30am, Hall
- * IH Adult Day Program, 9:30am, Hall
- * Zumba, 5pm, Hall
- * Cubs, 6:15pm, Hall
- * **Chime Choir Practice, 6:30pm**
- * **Choir Practice, 7pm, Friendship Room**

Friday, December 6

- * Jazzercise, 8:30am, Hall
- * Chair Yoga, 10:30am, Hall
- * Mavericks Square Dance Club, 7pm, Hall

Saturday, December 7

- * Jazzercise, 8:30am, Hall
- * Zumba, 10:30am, Hall
- * Victoria Arion Male Choir Rehearsal, 9:30am, Sanctuary
- * Victoria Arion Male Choir Concert, 1:30pm, Sanctuary
- * Bluegrass Concert, 7:30pm, Sanctuary

To reserve a room for a meeting or activity, please contact the office by phone or email. Thank you.

And just a reminder that setting up a room, particularly the hall, in advance may not be possible due to other renters.

Cordova Café Christmas Bake Sale

Saturday, Dec. 14 10 am - noon

Bring your family, friends and neighbours!



Delicious homemade cookies, cakes, squares, pies, candies and more

Handmade cards, designer brooches and lavender pouches

And the coffee is always on us.



Bakers unite!

We will be having a **Christmas Bake Sale** at the December Cordova Café.

We invite the bakers of our community to offer donations of Christmas themed baking. Baking kindly received anytime from 12:30pm - 5 pm Friday, December 13.

Baking should be packaged ready to sell, preferably labelled what it is, and priced.

For those purchasing baking, we encourage you to bring your own carry bags. Baking will be sold during the Café from 10am—12noon on Saturday, December 14.



2025 Offering Envelopes

For those who use offering envelopes, your 2025 box is available for pickup this Sunday. Thank you to our dedicated Donation Record Steward, Ria Korteweg for keeping us organized.

Bookies

The Bookies are reminding you that there will be no December Meeting. We wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season and enjoyable reading! Our next session will be Jan. 17 at which time we will share our favorite Xmas reads.

Church grounds get a cleaning

About a dozen members of Cordova Bay United Church turned out Saturday morning to help clean up the church grounds.

Under the direction of the Property Committee's Peter Hopkins, the crew did everything from rake leaves, to trim the cedar hedge, empty the parking lots drains, clear the roof and downspouts, tidy up the flower beds, power wash the stairs and parking area, and clean the Carrot Seed preschool playground area.

The church members worked to the lively music of the Saturday Zumba class held in the church hall.



CBUC gives food bank a boost

Pastor Beth Parsons recently delivered a shopping cart full of food for the Saanich Peninsula Lions Food Bank.

The food was donated by the congregation of Cordova Bay United Church as part of its celebration of the 100th anniversary of the United Church of Canada.

The United Church was inaugurated on June 10, 1925 in Toronto, Ontario, when the Methodist Church, the Congregational Union and 70 percent of The Presbyterian Church in Canada entered into a union. Also joining was the small General Council of Union Churches, centred largely in Western Canada.

Cordova Bay United is celebrating the 100th anniversary by raising \$25,000 for the United Church's Mission and Service Fund. The Mission and Service Fund provides clean water, food, shelter, medical aid, community of faith support, refugee programs and emergency aid — both in Canada around the world.

During this anniversary year, Cordova Bay United is also supporting local groups in need with special fundraising campaigns. In October, CBUC collected donations of food and delivered them to the Saanich Peninsula Lions Food Bank in Sidney.

For the month of November, the church has been filling a shopping basket with new children's mitts, hats and socks for families in need at the Cridge Centre for the Family.

If you want to contribute to the Cridge Centre families in need, you have until the end of the month to make a donation of children's mitts, hats and socks. Just drop them off at the church at 813 Claremont Ave.



Pastor Beth delivers food donated by the congregation of Cordova Bay United Church to the Saanich Peninsula Lions Food Bank

Ethel Wilson Women celebrate

The Ethel Wilson Women's Group celebrated their annual Christmas luncheon on Tuesday at Bill Mattick's Restaurant. A total of 31 women turned out and enjoyed good company, lively conversation and delicious food. In the spirit of Christmas, many women donated grocery gift certificates that will go to the Cridge Centre for the Family.





Poinsettias in the Sanctuary have been dedicated by...

Flemming and Miranda Andersen

In memory of
Gladys & Louis Churchfield
and Mary & Niels Andersen

Trish Best

In memory of Chris & Charlie Fortier

Sam Boehner and Glenn Davidson

In memory of Bruce and Elsie Davidson

Willa Burke

In memory of D'Arcy and Dennis Burke

Christine Cardy

In memory of her brother John
and her husband Pat

Margaret Chambers

In memory of her husband, David Chambers

Sue Christensen

In memory of her parents
Don and Iva Collins

Lorne Holland

In memory of Jean Holland

Les and Edith Hudgins

In memory of their parents

Louise and Bud Johnston

In memory of the Johnston Family

Jiemei Li

In memory of her brother, Waicheun Li

Guy Lokhorst**Dianna Lowrie****Suzanne Morgan**

In memory of Papa Russ Morgan,
Nani Margaret Peters and
Grandma Mary Morgan

Jane Nuttall

In memory of
Richard Nuttall and Andrew Nuttall

Melissa Nagy

In memory of Grandpa Robert Hussey,
Grandpa Ronald Stephens,
Great-Aunt Jerry Andersen,
Grandma Roberta Stephens,
Grandma Maybelle Tyler
and Grandpa Jim Tyler

Carol Paton**Orma Paton**

In memory of her husband, Sandy Paton

Myrna Pringle**Connie Scheurer****Barbara Shobbrook**

In memory of her husband
Bob Joslin, her parents and
her mother-in-law

Bob Silver

In memory of his sister, Annon Lee Silver

Christine Smith**Carol-Ann and David Staples****Ruthe and George Tiessen**

In memory of Helen & Henry Tiessen
and Mary & Arthur Marshall

Clare Walker

In memory of her parents-in-law,
Margaret & Bob Walker

Jeanette White

In memory of her grandsons,
Andrew and Christopher MacDonald

Joan Young**Elaine and Tom Zandee**

Christmas Services

Dec 1, 10am

Dec 8, 10am

Dec 15, 10am (CBU Choir Christmas Cantata)

Dec 22, 10am

Christmas Eve

Dec 24, 4pm

Services available in person
and online at
www.cbunited.ca



Cordova Bay
United Church

Cordova Bay United Church
Presents

Sing We Now of Christmas

Enjoy the music of Christmas throughout the season with the CD **Sing We Now of Christmas**. Featuring Elizabeth Parsons on vocals and Glenn Parsons on piano, this CD is guaranteed to get you in the Christmas spirit! Available in the church office.

VAMC

Victoria Arion Male Choir

HOLIDAY HARMONIES III

Saturday December 7th @ 1:30 pm

Cordova Bay United Church

813 Claremont Ave

Featuring special guests:

The Avalon Singers

vamc.ca



\$20 per ticket (ages 12 and under free)

Tickets available @ vamc.ca

Or from VAMC members

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Victoria Arion Male Choir



Via
Choralis Performance Society

Proudly Presents a Choral Concert



Carols

for Christmas

Artistic Director: Kathryn Whitney

Pianist: Yousef Shadian

Guest soloists; Alex Chen, baritone and Larry Skaggs, Cello

A concert of traditional Carols from Canada and Europe

Featuring; **Fantasia on Christmas Carols**

by Ralph Vaughan Williams

Also featuring an audience "sing along" of favourite Carols

St. Elizabeth's Church 1003 Third Street, Sidney BC

Sunday, December 15th 2:00 p.m.

Tickets \$35 Children under 12 \$10

available at: Tanner's Books, Sidney Seaberry Garden@ Matticks Farm

Choir members, or at the door