

Cordova Bay United

Announcements

December 3, 2023

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 3

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

Tuesday, December 5

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

Thursday, December 7

- * Chime Choir, 6:00pm, Sanctuary
- * Choir practice, 7pm, Sanctuary

Friday, December 8

- * Bake goods accepted, 12:30pm—5pm, Hall

Saturday, December 9

- * Cordova Café and Bake Sale, 10am—12pm, Hall
- * Victoria Arion Male Choir Concert, 2pm, Sanctuary

A Stewardship Moment

Be aware! Keep alert!
For you do not know when
an opportunity will come
to be generous,
and you must be ready to respond.



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Volunteers make church and grounds sparkle

About 15 church members turned out Saturday morning for the annual fall clean-up — or as Property Committee chair Peter Hopkins likes to call it, “the church’s fall shave and haircut”.

Under cool but sunny skies, the volunteers did everything from trimming the tall cedar hedge along the west side of the church property to getting down and dirty by cleaning out the storm sewer drains in the parking lot.

They also tidied up the flower beds out front, picked up debris and leaves in the Carrot Seed playground, climbed on the roof to blow any stray leaves and ensure the drainpipes are clear, and raked leaves from the many lawns we have.

By the time the volunteers packed up and headed home the church and grounds sparkled.



Wanted: Your used (but in good condition) card tables for gatherings in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Our current tables are getting old and unstable. We want to replenish them. Please drop off your ‘in good condition’ card tables to the Friendship Room at the church.



A gathering of red sweaters!

The Ethel Wilson Women's Group works hard during the year but also knows how to play. And this year's Christmas lunch took place at Bill Mattick's Restaurant. There was a lot of laughter and joy being together.

Almost \$1,000 was raised to donate in grocery store gift cards to the Cridge Centre. The Cridge supports 700 families in their Respite/Respiatality Program alone. The co-chairs of the EW group, Joan Young and Willa Burke, will deliver this gift for us.

Thank you Ethel Wilson Group for all that you do during the year. And for all the fun we have together!



*Thanks for
the Memories*



Join us this Christmas Season...

Dec. 3 @ 10 am—First Sunday in Advent
Dec. 10 @ 10 am—Second Sunday in Advent
Dec. 10 @ 7 pm—A Blue Christmas Service
Dec. 17 @ 10 am—Third Sunday in Advent
Dec. 24 @ 10 am—Fourth Sunday in Advent
Dec. 24 @ 4 pm—Christmas Eve Family Service

A Blue Christmas Service

December 10, 7pm

Join us for this contemplative service led by Pastor Beth Parsons and Laurie Mueller including reflective prayers and songs for those who struggle during Christmas time.

We reached our goal on Angel Gifts

Thanks to the generosity of our church members we have achieved our commitment of 75 Angel Gifts for Our Place.

If you signed up to provide an Angel Gift, you should have received the details about the gift recipient from Jane Shumka in the church office.

Please ensure your gift is returned to the church by Sunday, Dec. 10. This will allow us to get the gifts to Our Place in time for distribution.

Once again, thank you for helping those in need.



December Cordova Café and Christmas Bake Sale

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

Hark we're asking you to bake
Cakes and goodies you can make
We are known for our caring
Many times we've been sharing
We'll find time and sugar needed
This request no doubt be heeded
Christmas Spirit in us all
Answers each and every call.



We invite the bakers of our community to offer donations of Christmas themed baking. Baking kindly received anytime from 12:30pm - 5 pm in the Hall on Friday, December 8.

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 9.

VAMC
Victoria Arion Male Choir
Presents

HOLIDAY HARMONIES
Saturday December 9th @ 2:00 pm
Cordova Bay United Church
813 Claremont Ave



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

Tickets available @ vamc.ca

[Click here to purchase tickets.](#)

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Victoria Arion Male Choir



2024 Offering Envelopes

For those who use offering envelopes, your 2024 box is available for pickup this Sunday. Thank you to our dedicated Donation Record Steward, Ria Korteweg for keeping us organized.

SEEKERS OF THE LIGHT

A Cantata for Christmas

by
Mark Hayes and Lloyd Larson

Be sure to attend the Sunday, December 17 worship service for the our Christmas Cantata offered by the CBUC choir, led by Sharon Prindle-Collins with Glenn Parsons on piano.

"The world was lost in darkness. Roman oppression weighed heavily, and God's people were awaiting a Messiah. There were astrologers, literally following the light of the heavens and prophecies of the coming Messiah. But there were other seekers of the Light: Mary and Joseph, simple shepherds in a field, and the prophets. Then, it happened. The Light of the World was born. Follow the respective journeys of these seekers of the Light to learn what we can from their sojourns. May we likewise seek and find the Light for our journey and transform our lives with a fresh touch of God's miraculous grace and gift of Love."

English hand smocked dresses for sale

Barbara Barton-McMillan makes children's English hand smocked dresses. Sharing her time and talent, Barb is selling these two dresses with all proceeds going to CBUC. Each dress is \$59.

If you are interested, please contact Jane in the office.



4-5 yrs.



2 yrs.



Performance Society
With Campus View Elementary School Choir
Artistic Director: Jody Onuma, Pianist: Yousef Shadian

Guest Musicians

Barbara Ehling, Harp - Cora Phillips, cello - Kelly McIvor, Violin
Rob Fillo, Djembe

Proudly Presents

Musical Joys of the Season

Selections of Madrigals, Messiah Choruses and more



Sunday, December 10th, 2:00 p.m

St Elizabeth Church

10030 Third Street, Sidney

Tickets \$20, Children 12 yrs. and under \$10

Available at: Tanner's Bookstore, Sidney,

Seaberry Gardens, Cordova Bay

Brown Paper Tickets

On -Line at viachoralis.ca, choir members and at the door

With thanks to our sponsors



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Community Carol Sing December 17

Join us for our second annual Community Carol Sing and Cider.

Come let your voices soar with Christmas songs old and new. Dress warmly because we will be outside around the giant cedar tree. The hot cider will warm you up afterwards.



Poinsettias in the Sanctuary have been dedicated by...

Flemming & Miranda Andersen

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

Trish Best

In memory of
Chris and Charlie Fortier

Christine Cardy

In memory of Patrick

Sue Christensen

In memory of
Don and Iva Collins

Joan Guild**Jennifer Hastings**

In memory of her husband,
Harland Hastings

Edward Hickcox and Jiemei Li

To Give Thanks

Lorne Holland

In memory of Jean Holland

Edith Hudgins

In memory of
Cecil and Ethyl Hudgins,
George Lottié and Jimmy Cook

Dianna Lowrie**John & Pat MacLeod**

In memory of their daughter,
Carolyn MacLeod

Susanne Morgan

In memory of
mother, Mary Morgan and
mother Margaret Peters

Melissa Nagy

In memory of
Christine Gray and Sandra Connally

Carol Paton

In memory of her husband
David Paton

Orma Paton

In memory of her husband,
Sandy Paton

Myrna Pringle

In memory of Tom Pringle

Barabara Shobbrook

In memory of
The Shobbrook, Joslin, Keeler families

Pat Shumka

In memory of
The Shumka and Wilson families

Carol-Ann Staples

In memory of her families

Joanne Thomas**Ruthe Tiessen**

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

Marie Warner**Jeanette White**

In memory of Grandsons,
Andrew and Christopher MacDonald

Our thanks to Arlene Vickery for taking on coordination of the Poinsettia fundraiser. Our members have flowers for their homes, the Spirit is visible in our Sanctuary and over \$600 was raised for the church.