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# Announcements Cordova Bay United

Black History Month

Keep in Touch

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## Upcoming Events

### Sunday, February 5

- \* Worship, 10am, In-Person and Livestream  
In-Person Fellowship Time in the Hall

### Tuesday, February 7

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

### Thursday, February 9

- \* Dementia Caregiver Support Group, 10am  
Friendship Room
- \* Chime Choir Practice, 6:15pm, Sanctuary
- \* Choir Practice, 7pm, Sanctuary

### Saturday, February 11

- \* For the Love Africa Society Valentine's Tea/  
Dance, 2pm, hall

## Cordova Café Cancelled for February

The Caring Committee **will not** be offering Cordova Café in February. You might want to attend the Valentine Tea/Dance sponsored by the For the Love of Africa Society on Saturday, February 11.



# For The Love Of Africa Society



*Invites you to A Valentine*



**Come, and bring your friends to enjoy the rhythms  
of live music, entertainment, and refreshments**

**When:** Saturday afternoon, February 11, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Where:** Cordova Bay United Church Hall  
813 Claremont Avenue

**Admission:** By donation to support the ongoing work of  
FTLOA with the children of Tanzania

**For reservations please call 250 658-4451**





## Welcoming newcomers

We have created a couple of resources to help you help us welcome and connect our newcomers. Our 'Keep in Touch' card includes the church's phone number, email address, website and YouTube channel information.



### Join us for Worship, Sundays at 10am!

We welcome you in-person and online.  
Doors open at 9:30am.

The service is also available  
via livestreaming on the  
[Cordova Bay United YouTube Channel](#).

*We are an inclusive community living out  
Christ's love and care for the world.  
Everybody- and we mean  
EVERYBODY - is welcome.*

For newcomers wanting to get connected through our electronic communications (announcements, order of service, etc.), please invite them to complete our 'Connect' card and forward the card to the office so that they might be added to the weekly email distribution lists.

## Connect

Name:

Phone:

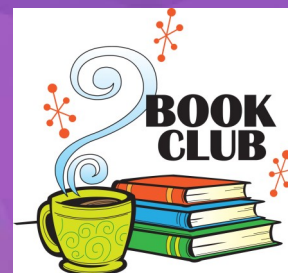
Email:

Address:

Printed copies of the weekly announcements are also available for those who do not or choose not to receive electronic communication.

## Come Join the Bookies!

The next meeting of the Bookies is Friday, February 17th at 10 am in the Fellowship Room. We are featuring books by the author, Lisa Genova who writes prolifically about disabilities. Choose a book and join us for a lively discussion!



Next Cafe is March 11!

## Cordova Cafe'

2nd Saturday of the month  
Time: 10 a.m.

Cordova Bay United Church Hall  
813 Claremont Ave.

Where friendships are made  
&  
strong community is cultivated.

## Fighting Racism at Home and Abroad: Adele Halliday's Work

*"The work that we're doing helps us move collectively towards healing as a church and beyond."*



When was the first time you became aware of discrimination or oppression?

Adele Halliday, the United Church's Anti-Racism Equity Lead, says that parts of her work focus on racial discrimination—and she encounters many people across the church who are surprised by the ongoing systemic racism in church and society.

"I grew up as a racialized person and in a multiracial context, so this always surprises me. There's almost a kind of initial moment of realization," she says. "In my work, what I encourage people to do is move beyond that moment of realization, asking, 'So what does that mean for you in your life?' If you're a person who's benefited from racism, now what? What's your next action? What does it mean for your life in the church and society as a person, as an individual, as a family member?"

Racialized people are among the people who have felt the negative effects of racism. It can take many forms, but all are harmful. And even worse, racism still exists in Canada and in the United Church today.

Your gifts to [Mission & Service](#) support educational initiatives, programs, and partners that work hard to dismantle racism. One of these programs is the 40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism, which tackles topics like internalized racism, systemic racism, and anti-Indigenous and anti-Black racism.

While the program was designed for The United Church of Canada, Halliday says the impact is global. "I have gotten messages from people in other denominations and in other parts of the world like the United Kingdom, Australia, and the United States who are excited about the program and who want to use it," she says.

"There are people who are hurting because of racial injustice and racial trauma," says Halliday. "The work that we're doing helps us move collectively towards healing as a church and beyond."