



Cordova Bay United

Announcements

December 10, 2023

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 10

- * Worship, 10am, In-Person and Livestream followed by Fellowship Time in the Hall
- * A Blue Christmas Service, In-Person only, 7pm

Tuesday, December 12

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

Thursday, December 14

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

Saturday, December 16

- * Cantata Rehearsal, 9:30am, Sanctuary

Sunday, December 17

- * Worship, 10am, In-Person and Livestream followed by a Fellowship Time in the Hall
- * Community Carol Sing, 6pm, Around the Cedar Tree

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A Stewardship Moment

There cannot be justice
without generosity.



Children welcome Advent with Messy Christmas

What better way to kick off this joyous season than with a Messy Christmas? About 30 children, parents, grandparents, friends and family turned out Friday night for crafts, dinner, carols and a sacred story.

The kids decorated Christmas cookies, created felt mouse candy cane tree ornaments, tree decorations crafted from recycled Christmas cards, colourful pipe cleaner snowflakes and a Christmas angel painting made from their handprints.

Then they enjoyed a delicious homemade macaroni and cheese dinner with Rice Krispie squares for dessert.

Afterwards they went into the sanctuary for a Christmas story and to sing Christmas carols with Pastor Beth.

As the kids left for home they were given a gift of "Advent in a Box". Advent in a Box is an Advent/Christmas take-home activity kit for children who attend Messy Christmas and the Sunday service Spirit Kids program.

Thanks to Children and Youth Program Coordinator Leslie Moffat for all her hard work and to the host of volunteers who so generously donated their time to make Advent and Christmas so special for the children and families of Cordova Bay United.





Ethel Wilson group donates almost \$1,000

The Cordova Bay United Church Ethel Wilson Women's Group this week donated almost \$1,000 in grocery gift cards to the Cridge Centre for the Family.

Co-chairs Willa Burke and Joan Young delivered the cards on Monday to Linda Pityn of the Cridge Centre's Respite and Respiatality Program.

The gift cards, totalling \$985, were donated by members of the Ethel Wilson Women's Group as part of their annual Christmas celebration.

The Cridge Respite and Respiatality Program supports more than 700 families in Greater Victoria.

Ethel Wilson Women's Group has been a longtime supporter of the Cridge Centre.



Pathway to Christmas Update

Here we are halfway through our special Stewardship campaign and very pleased to be able to report that so far we have received more than half of the goal we had set, to enable us to recover from our budget shortfall. We have now received \$23,600.

Very sincere thanks to all who have contributed so far, this is an amazing congregation who has come forward to meet a very serious need. Three Sundays until Christmas and 4 until year end so still time to make your special contribution.

Be sure to check our progress on the Pathway to Christmas poster every Sunday, and again many thanks for your great support.

Your Stewardship Committee.





Join us this Christmas Season...

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

SEEKERS OF THE LIGHT

A Cantata for Christmas

by
Lloyd Larson and Mark Hayes

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

For those not able to attend the worship service, you are invited to come listen to the choir's dress rehearsal on Saturday, December 16 at 10:15am.

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.

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.

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