

Cordova Bay United

Announcements

March 5, 2023

The Season of Lent



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Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 5

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

Tuesday, March 7

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

Thursday, March 9

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

Saturday, March 11

- * Cordova Café, 10am—12pm, Hall

Sunday, March 12

- * Worship, 10am, In-Person and Livestream
Special Congregational Meeting following the service
In-Person Fellowship Time in the Hall

Please note that Pastor Beth will be on
holidays and out of the office from Mar. 5 —19.

Soup fundraiser draws a crowd

A couple centimetres of snow that fell overnight wasn't enough to stop Cordova Bay United Church hall from being filled Sunday for a soup and bun lunch.

The lunch followed the worship service and preceded the annual general meeting.

A group of church women led by Linda Smith-McMahon and Susanne Morgan set up, made and served the lunch, and then cleaned up afterwards.

Entry to the lunch was by donation and more than \$500 was raised. The funds will go towards the 2023 church budget.



Annual General Meeting a success

More than 60 people turned out for the CBUC Annual General Meeting Sunday following the worship service and soup and bun lunch.

Chair Jiemei Li welcomed everyone and thanked the congregation for their hard work throughout the past year. Jiemei noted because of COVID restrictions, for the first three months of the year the church did not have in-person worship services.

"We have endured a lot," said Jiemei.

Nevertheless, the church ended the year with in-person worship attendance almost back to pre-COVID levels, a significant number of people who attend online via livestreaming and recorded services, children and youth programs back in full swing, and a balanced budget.

AGM approves 2023 budget

The congregation unanimously approved a budget for 2023 totalling \$373,110 — which is actually \$4,096 less than what the church spent in 2022.

The budget includes a 3.3 per cent increase in givings — from \$287,065 last year to \$296,560 in 2023. That includes \$14,530 for the Mission and Service Fund.

The budget includes \$19,950 in fundraisers. Some of that — more than \$500 — was raised during the soup and bunch lunch before the meeting.

The church will not be putting on a Country Fair this year but has kept the same date in May for a fundraiser of some kind. The church will need to raise in order to meet its budget, but will be considering fundraisers that require less physical work than the Country Fair.

Congregation meeting set for March 12

Chair Jiemei Li announced a special congregational meeting for March 12 to consider the report from the Discernment Task Group.

The report sets out Cordova Bay United's priorities for the next three years. It also provides a recommendation about ministry staffing levels going forward.

Erich Schulz of the task group told the AGM that a draft of its report had been sent to the United Church's Pacific Mountain Region for review and input.

The report went to the church council for consideration on Wednesday.



Cordova Bay United Church

Lent & Easter Messy Church

*Crafts & activities,
interactive sacred story &
Pancake Supper!*

March 17 @ 5:30 pm

Contact Pastor Nancy Walker for more info.
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Cordova Cafe'

Next Cafe is March 11!

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.

Special Congregational Meeting March 12

The Council is calling for a Special Congregation meeting for Sunday, March 12, right after the Sunday worship service.

The purpose of the meeting is for the congregation to receive, review and approve the work of the Discernment/Transition Task Group.

The documents will be made available prior to the meeting. Please make plans to attend this very important congregation meeting.

Thank you!

Dementia Caregiver Support Group on Hiatus

The Dementia Caregiver Support group, facilitated by Rev. Wilda Cottam, which meets monthly will be on hiatus for the months of March and April. Check back in the announcements for return of the group in May.

Come Join the Bookies!

The Bookies meet next on Friday, March 17th at 10 in the Friendship Room. The focus is Wonder Garden by Laura Acampora so read, read, read and we will see you then.



SPRING CLEANUP DAY AT CBUC SATURDAY, March 18, 10am

The Property Committee would appreciate your help for a couple of hours on Saturday, March 18 at 10am to help with an inside and outside cleaning of the church property.

There is a signup poster in the front foyer (Narthex).

Ethel Wilson Women's Group Spring Fundraiser

As a Spring fundraiser, the Ethel Wilson Women's Group is selling Hilltop Greenhouses hanging baskets and planters. Click on the following links for more information: [Catalog](#) [Order Form](#)

On Sundays, in the hall following worship EWWG members will be available to answer your questions and help you place your order.

