# Cordova Bay United

# Announcements

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Sunday, December 24

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

> The Spirit Kids program will not be offered on December 24 and December 31. Spirit Kids will resume on January 7.

 Christmas Eve Service, 4pm, In-Person and Livestream

#### Sunday, December 31

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

#### Sunday, January 7

 Worship, 10am, In-Person and Livestream M&S Birthday/Anniversary Recognition followed by Fellowship Time in the Hall

#### Tuesday, January 9

Worship Meeting, 9:30am, Friendship Room

#### Thursday, January 11

- \* Chime Choir Practice, 6pm, Sanctuary
- \* Choir Practice, 7pm, Sanctuary

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**December 24, 2023** 

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### Cantata fills church with joy of Christmas

The Cordova Bay United Church choir performed its annual Christmas cantata on Sunday, Dec. 17 in front of more than 110 people.

This year's cantata, *Seekers of the Light* by Lloyd Larson and Mark Hayes, was part of the service marking the third Sunday in Advent and its theme of "joy".

Music director Sharon Prindle-Collins led the choir accompanied by Glenn Parsons on piano and Johanna de Leeuw on flute.

The cantata featured solos by Sam Boehner, Christine Cardy, Peggy Dayton, Stephen Godfrey, Beth Parsons, Alan Priestly and Erich Schulz.

Ruth Schulz and Rev. Winston Stokes provided the narration.



### Please note...

Pastor Beth Parsons will be on study leave from December 25—January 8, returning to the office on Tuesday, January 9. For pastoral care needs, please email or phone the office. Thank you.

# **Onsite Office Holiday Hours**

Onsite office hours will be as follows during the holidays:

Thursday, December 28, 9am—2pm Tuesday, January 2, 9am—2pm Wednesday, January 3, 9am—11:30am Thursday, January 4, 9am—2pm

# A Message from Campus United at UVIC

#### A warm Advent blessing to you!

My name is Min-Goo Kang, and I have been serving as the Campus Minister at the University of Victoria since February this year. It's a real honour and privilege to create a space where students can come as they are and find a community where they truly belong. My intention is to build an inclusive and diverse community by embracing embodied experiences whether it's through cooking, artmaking, mindful walking, playing sports, or engaging in spirituality with various prayer stations. I have experienced firsthand how students are open to sharing stories, learning from differences, and celebrating the divine nature in everyone and every place.

Campus United at UVic has created a newsletter to share good news with you. This is just a glimpse of what we have witnessed the Spirit's creative touch. I hope you enjoy the newsletter. If you want to learn more about Campus Ministry at UVic and how you can support this ministry, please don't hesitate to contact me at mkang@united-church.ca. I am happy to chat with you over a phone call, Zoom, or in-person.

May your home and heart be filled with hope, peace, joy and love in this season of Advent!

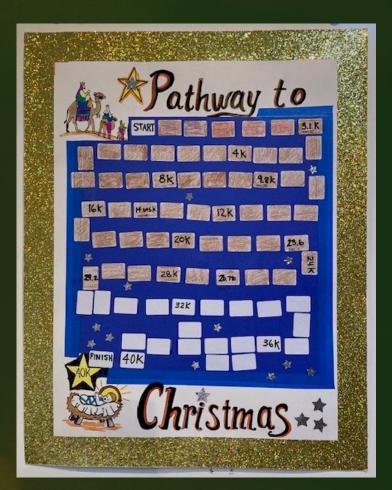
Click here for the newsletter. Belonging Dinner: Learn to Make Bannock



## A Stewardship Moment

God's love surprises. God's gifts can startle. Above all, God is generous. How will you share?

# Pathway to Christmas now at \$29,200!



# Mission & Service Birthday & Anniversary Recognition Sunday, January 7



We will be recognizing birthdays and anniversaries on Sunday, January 7. In honour of a birthday or anniversary in the month of January, we invite you to make a donation towards the United Church of Canada Mission & Service Fund.

For those worshipping in person, donations will be accepted during the singing of the birthday/ anniversary song. Donations can also be made through e-transfer. Send your e-transfer to treasurer@cbunited.ca. If you have an envelope number, please include it in your message.

For those watching online who would like an anniversary or special birthday mentioned, please email the church office.