

Cordova Bay United

Announcements

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This Week

Sunday, July 24

Worship, 10 am, In-Person and Livestream
(doors open at 9:30am)
In-Person Fellowship Time in the Hall
following the service

Thursday, July 28

Service of Thanksgiving
Celebrating the Life of
Rev. George Cameron McMillan,
2pm, In-Person and Livestream

Joys and Concerns

We welcome you to share your Joys and Concerns with us during worship. We will be asking those who wish to do so to share them during our worship service this Sunday.

Guest reflection

Please join us Sunday, July 31 for a guest reflection from Rev. Rob Crosby-Shearer.

Upcoming Memorial Services

Please join us for memorial services to celebrate the lives of Barbara Sands and Rev. Cameron McMillan. The service for Barbara Sands will be held on Saturday, July 23 at 2pm at First Memorial. The service for Rev. Cameron McMillan will be held on Thursday, July 28 at 2pm at Cordova Bay United Church.

Mustard Seed Fair Start Campaign

The Fair Start Campaign is back again. You can provide families across the Greater Victoria area a fresh start in the new school year. Every year, families will spend nearly \$400 on school supplies for their children. Unfortunately, this cost can be much too great for some. The Mustard Seed wants to make sure nobody has to decide between school supplies or groceries. You can donate towards the campaign to provide nearly 500 school kits to families. Most kits cost around \$30 depending on the age. Donate however much you like and support families getting the help they need! To donate click [here](#).



UCW News

The United Church Women (UCW) are celebrating their 60th anniversary at a great celebration in Sydney, Nova Scotia where about 300 women from all parts of Canada are meeting this week. With the theme "Continuing in Hope" the program includes theme speaker Sally Armstrong and guest speakers from Zambia who will share news of the UCW Anniversary Mission project Women For Change – Zambia, a program that supports the move to allow young girls to stay in school and continue their education and not to be married at a very early age. So far nearly \$110,000 has been raised for this project. Entertainment includes a concert by the famous choir "Men of the Deeps" and a day trip of choice visiting rural Nova Scotia. There are 11 women from the Pacific Mountain UCW who are attending. This is a wonderful opportunity for UCW members to get together and celebrate this great organization and this special anniversary.



Be Alert for Phishing Scams !!!

There appears to be an email scam going around that impersonates United Church ministers and members and that targets their personal contacts, asking them to buy gift cards. Our ministers and members have been targeted.

Use a critical eye and trust your gut whenever you get an unusual email — like friends asking for cash, gift cards or Bitcoin.

Closely check that the 'local-part' and 'domain name' in the email matches the actual name of the person or church from whom the email is supposedly sent.

Also check for oddities in the email address (spelling mistakes in the name, unusual phrasing, from a public domain name such as gmail or hot-mail, etc).

Red Flags of a Phishing Attack:

Be suspicious of any email or text message that:

- Seems unusual or out of place
- Asks you to click on a link or open an attachment
- Asks for personal or sensitive information
- Comes from an unknown sender
- Contains typos or grammatical errors
- Contains threatening or urgent language

Do not reply to the suspected email.

Start a new message or call the person whom the email was supposedly sent from, to check if they actually sent it.

Report any phishing and spam emails.

It does actually make a difference.

You can always call the church office, to check the validity of an email or request.

