



Duncan Christian Reformed Church

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the wing to the right of the sanctuary.
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grade 5 are dismissed part way
through the service and return during
the service.

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request from the usher.

10 am Worship Service

Song: Hosanna
Welcome/Gods Greeting

Song: He's Calling You
Song: Come To The Savior Now
Reading: Psalm 119:9-16
Song: As We Seek Your Face
Song: Word of God Speak

Children's Message
Cong. Prayer

Offering: Church Ministries and (Resonate Global Missions)

Pastor Kevin VanderVeen will bring the Message, "Study and Meditation", from Matthew 4:18-22 (pg 1500) & 22:36-40 (pg 1535)

Song: Take My Life and Let It Be
Song: How Great Is Our God

Lord's Supper
Bread: The Old Rugged Cross
Juice: Calvary

Blessing
Song: Living for Jesus

Worship Today

Today we will celebrate the Lord's Supper together.

The Offering is for Church Ministries and (Resonate Global Missions (former Home and World Missions) - write cheque to Duncan CRC and the cause in the memo line and on the envelope).



Worship Next Sunday, February 24

The Offering next week will be for Church Ministries and (Duncan Christian School Tuition Relief - write cheque to Duncan CRC and the cause in the memo line and on the envelope).

Gifts & Tithes

Collection for Jan. 20, Jan. 27 and Feb. 3

Church Ministries	10,759.60
Calvinist Cadet Fed.	115.00
Cow. Valley Hospice	5.00
Cow. Basket Society	365.00
CRC Race Relations	65.00
Clements Center Society	390.00
World Renew Peterfish	14.48

Announcements

"Forward in Faith" Wed. March 20, 10 am

We will study Lesson 9 based on Luke 13, "The Woman who was a cripple for 18 years and healed". Closing Devotions by Nell P.

Postponed: Wed. Evening Fireside Bible Study

The February Bible Study will be postponed until March due to other activities next week and a chance for the weather to improve! The meeting will be Wednesday, March 20th at 7 p.m. and we'll be starting a study on the book of Jonah. Mark your calendar! Everyone is welcome to come to this Bible Study!

February Community Dinner

THIS SATURDAY is the monthly free dinner we provide to those in our community going through hard times. During these cold months a hot meal and warm place to gather will be much appreciated! If you have a few hours to spare please consider coming to help out. Many volunteers are needed to carry on with this outreach work and it truly is a blessing to serve together! Help is needed anytime from 2 p.m. (set up and cooking) to 5 - 7 p.m. (serving and cleanup). Thank you!

Church Family

Birthdays this Week

Sunday, February 17: Jim B

Monday, February 18: Samantha W

Tuesday, February 19: Deanna N

Wednesday, February 20: Alina T

Thursday, February 21: Bo V

Saturday, February 23: Raymond W

Sunday, February 24: Nancy V

Summary and thoughts on 'Helping without Harming' and Homelessness Workshop in Nanaimo

A summary of what we learned at the Feb. 3 workshop sponsored by World Renew and Diaconal Ministries Canada through the lens of my own professional experience is:

- 1) Look people in the eye and see them as fellow image bearers of God;
- 2) Listen to people and their stories so you can understand and empathize with them;
- 3) Learn from people you seek to help and appreciate their assets; be willing to change how you help (or decide not to help); and
- 4) Love the people as Christ loved his neighbours, regardless of their circumstances and behaviours.

Some principles for helping (The Oath for Compassionate Service by Robert Lupton)

1. LISTEN
2. Never do for others what they can do for themselves
3. Limit one-way giving to emergencies
4. Strive to empower the materially poor through employment, lending, and investing, using grants sparingly to reinforce achievements
5. Keep your self-interest secondary to the needs of those being served
6. Above all, do no harm

As the reality of homelessness is now on our very church doorstep, I offer some myth-busting information:

1. People do not choose to be homeless. A variety of personal and structural factors contribute to a person's experience of homelessness such as eviction, mental illness, addiction, loss of a job, spousal abuse, low income relative to cost of housing, and aging out of foster care with insufficient resources.
 2. People experiencing homelessness are not lazy: it is hard work to survive on the street, especially when one does not have access to a phone, computer, or fixed address on a regular basis.
 3. Many people experiencing homelessness have jobs, but often these do not provide sufficient income or are temporary in nature.
 4. People experiencing homelessness are a diverse bunch: youth, families, women with children, single women and men; and many are invisible and may be couch-surfing, or living in a car or van.
 5. In most communities there are not adequate services and supports to help people experiencing homelessness. This is also true for the Cowichan Valley.
 6. Those experiencing homelessness are NOT mostly coming from colder provinces. The large majority of those experiencing homelessness are local people. And where people come from is not relevant to whether or not they deserve help.
- There can be a unique role for our church to play in helping people who are experiencing homelessness. I am willing to convene a conversation on how we can serve our neighbours who are experiencing homelessness. For additional information on homelessness visit the websites of the Greater Victoria Coalition to End Homelessness and the Cowichan Housing Association.
- Submitted by James vH, February 2019

Announcements

New YDC Schedule

YDC will now be meeting twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. We'll come together this Tuesday, February 19 at 7 pm (This is so some students can also attend GEMS on the alternate Tuesday). This week Pastor Kevin will be joining us in YDC.

Date Change at Sunridge

Join us for the 2 pm Service at Sunridge next Sunday, Feb. 24 (not March 3). Thanks, Gerald

This Week's Schedule

Sun	Lord's Supper
Sun	For prayer after the service, Affie and Anneke are at the back of the sanctuary
Mon	Men's coffee 9:30 am at McDonald's
Tues	Ukelele (9:30 am) and Crafts at the church (10:30 am). Come to work on your craft or just come for coffee
Tues	YDC 7 pm
Wed	Forward in Faith Ladies Bible Study 10 am at the church
Wed	Prayer 7 pm at the church. Everyone welcome!
Thurs	Coffee Break Ladies Bible Study & Nursery 9:30 am (Nursery:Gert, Ida)
Thurs	Elders' Mtg 7 pm
Fri	Cow. Valley Concert Band 7:30 at the church
Sat	Community Dinner

Future Dates

Feb 24	2 pm Service at Sunridge (date change)
Feb 26	Committee of Stewards Mtg 9:30
Mar 1	World Day of Prayer 1:30 at the Seventh Day Adventist Church
Mar 4	Admin Council Mtg 7 pm
Mar 5,6	Classis BCNW meets at New Westminster CRC
Mar 20	Next Fireside Bible Study 7 pm
Mar 25	Spring Congregational Mtg
Apr 1	Full Council Mtg
Apr 7	Next Fellowship Lunch

Serving This Week

February 17

Driver: Bill W
Hall Monitor: Don G
Nursery: Audrey VS, Affie D, Alex H
Ushers: Gerald W, Adam K
Deacons: Lawrence, Dustin, Will, Deen
Greeters: Ynze & Betsy G
Leading Council Member: Renee dB
Worship Team: Matt, Suzanne, Joyce, John D, Jeremy
After worship prayer: Affie, Anneke
Coffee Serving: Joe & Trudy W, Brad & Joan J, Rose B
Sunday School:
Preschool/K: Darlene & Jaymie B
Gr.1/2: Michelle B, Reyna S
Gr.3-5: Joyce & Esther P

Serving Next Week

February 24

Driver: Ynze G
Hall Monitor: Fred W
Nursery: Tamara K, Angelina W, Morgan N
Ushers: Mike R, Joe Rubin
Deacons: Lawrence, Dustin, Will, Benjamin
Greeters:
Leading Council Member: Affie D
Worship Team: Michelle, Affie, Susan, Amanda, Ben, Marjan, Eric, Joel
After worship prayer: Josie, Renee
Coffee Serving: Gerald & Anneke W, Len & Rose B, Angelina W
Preschool/K: Darlene & Jaymie B
Gr.1/2: Michelle B, Reyna S
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