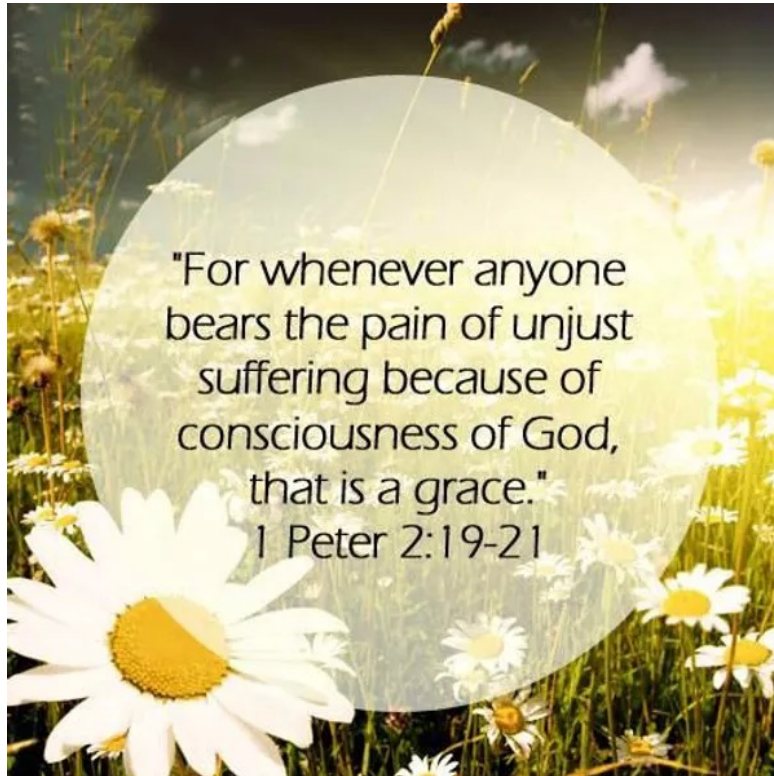




Duncan Christian Reformed Church

930 Trunk Road, Duncan, British Columbia, V9L 2S1

August 16, 2020



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The Church Alarm will be set at 7 pm every evening and disarmed at 8 am every morning.
The Church Office will be open Tuesday - Friday, 9 am - 12 noon of this week (summer hours).

Sunday Worship Services during August

For Sunday, August 16: **No Service** at the Church.

The Sermon, “We Will Overcome”, from 1 Peter 2:11-25 will be on the website www.duncancrc.org and Pastor Kevin’s Church Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/duncancrc/>

For Sunday, August 23:

At the Church: Worship Groups 5 & 6 will meet at 10 am.

When there is a Worship Service at the Church, there will be basic “livestreaming” available for those at home.

Guidelines for Attending a Sunday Service

1. Do not come if you are sick with anything contagious (even a cold, etc), are required to self isolate or have been in contact with someone who has COVID-19.
2. We’d like to use the outside front entrance area for socializing after the service, so for those that can, please park away from the front entrance (by Campbell Street) or if you prefer, in the back parking lot. If you have mobility issues you can still park in the front handicap areas.
3. We will sign you in when you arrive. There is hand sanitizer available and also masks if you would like one.
4. There is also quick drying hand sanitizer by the bathroom for spraying bathroom faucets, doorknobs, handles, etc. after each use. Only use the bathrooms by the Office.
5. Maintain physical distancing of 6 feet (also stay apart when socializing outside).
6. There will be no congregational singing at this time though there will be worship music projected throughout the Service.
7. The Library is closed - come during the week when the Office is open.
8. There is no Nursery though you can use the Fireside Room for childcare if needed (the Daycare side of the church is not available). There is a Toy Box for 10 am and a Toy Box for 11 am.
9. There is no Sunday School.
10. There is no coffee and socializing is in the front parking lot.
11. Sit apart from others in the Sanctuary (family groups can stay together).
12. We will celebrate Lord’s Supper and you can pick up the wafer and juice package before you enter the Sanctuary.
13. Offerings can be dropped off in a box at the back of the Sanctuary as you enter or exit the Sanctuary.



**PHYSICAL DISTANCING
IN PROGRESS**

**Maintain a distance of at least
2 arms lengths from others.**



Offering Sunday, August 16

Offering for Sunday, August 16: Church Ministries and (Institute for Christian Studies)
Write the cheque to Duncan CRC and the cause in the memo line.
The Institute for Christian Studies is a private, graduate-level Christian theological and philosophical school located at the University of Toronto - St. George Campus.

Offering next Sunday, August 23

Offering for Sunday, August 23: Church Ministries and (Deacon Fund).

Gifts & Tithes

Collected since last time

Church Ministries	13,070.00
DCS Mexico Mission Trip	110.00
Clements Centre	50.00
Wycliffe (One Book)	20.00
Resonate Global Mission	275.00
Duncan Christian School	100.00
Back to God Min. Intl.	100.00
Food Grains Bank	1,000.00
Bible League	25.00
Teen Challenge	5.00

From the Deacons

The Deacons received a card from “Youth for Christ Mobile Outreach” in Victoria.
“Dear Duncan Christian Reformed Church, Thank you for your recent donation. The needs are great in the community. A youth who is young and used to come to the bus overdosed recently. It is so sad. We appreciate your support for our efforts to reach out with Christ’s love. In Christ, Rick”

Council Report - Monday, August 10, 2020

- The church’s FULL Council met on Monday in the Fellowship Hall with adequate spacing and sanitizing. With Pastor Kevin we focused for a time on Psalm 51 where David shares his joy that in some, so far mysterious, way the Lord will provide salvation from sin. A salvation that was not available through sacrifices and burnt offerings.
- A basic method of live-streaming the Sunday worship service was tried on August 9. It is expected that this method will continue to be used (instead of pre-recorded music and sermon). Improvements of the basic method will be added as methods are investigated and as equipment becomes available.
- On August 16 there will not be an in-building worship service as Pastor Kevin is on vacation and other pulpit supply was/is not readily available.
- Council is looking into the possibility of having a “Freedom Session” Bible study program in the fall.
- Various worship/covid19 issues were again discussed and it was agreed to have only a 10 AM worship service on Sundays and ask persons from the designated two worship groups to do a “sign-up” if they expect to attend.
Services will be with less than 50 persons and have adequate social-distancing and sanitizing (no congregation singing). Other members are encouraged to watch the live-stream broadcast of the Sunday worship service.
Next meeting of the Full Council is scheduled for Sep. 14.

John D, Clerk

Church Family

On August 1, Rijk's brother John V passed away to join his beloved wife Cathy. He was laid to rest on Saturday, August 8, in Victoria. Though we mourn the passing of a beloved brother, we know from the deep faith that John had, that we will meet again. "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

Marguerite asks your prayers for complete healing of her back from God "who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine".

Birthdays this Week:

Sunday, August 16: Hilda G

Tuesday, August 18: Lauren B

Friday, August 21: Tom V

Saturday, August 22: Marjan W

Announcements

Monday, September 14: Full Council Meeting 7 pm

Thursday, September 24: Elders' Meeting 7 pm

Friday mornings 10 - 11:30 am

We are having fellowship together from 10:00 to 11:30 on Fridays. We will not be serving coffee nor refreshments, but you are welcome to bring your own if you would like.

During the week you can also drop by Pastor Kevin's Office - either call ahead 250-510-9295 or e-mail: pastorkevin@duncancrc.org

Ministry to Seafarers Appeal

In the midst of this pandemic, ministry on board ships has become, in many ways, more crucial than ever. For this season we have been giving out care packages on board ships to encourage the crew with some treats and snacks that they can't access so easily any more, along with encouraging literature and Scriptures. Instead of Christmas at Sea, it's now "Covid at Sea" or "Christmas in Summer." The crews have been very appreciative.

But it has come at a cost. So we're making a special appeal at this time for giving to the Ministry to help support our "Christmas in Summer" care packages. Gary, along with the other chaplains, will be making a 30 km cycling tour around Burrard Inlet on August 29 to help raise funds.

Would you consider giving to this cause? If so, you can send a cheque payable to the "Ministry to Seafarers" to the address below. You can also donate online on the ministrytoseafarers.com website. I will be posting photos of the ride on that day through Instagram (Ministry to Seafarers Vancouver) and on our Facebook page (same name).

Thanks for all your support and prayers. Please do continue to keep the seafarers and this Ministry in your prayers.

Rev. Gary Roosma

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