

# **Duncan Christian Reformed Church**

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

## October 4, 2020



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The bulletin and weekly sermons can be found on our website, www.duncancrc.org

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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.

#### Announcements

Monday, October 5: Full Council Meeting 7 pm Wednesday, October 7: Freedom Session 7 pm

## Is anyone going to Vancouver and can drop off Toques for the Ministry to Seafarer's?

If anyone is going to Vancouver and could drop off toques that Ladies from the Church are knitting, please contact the Church Office 748-2122.

The Ministry to Seafarers office is 401 E. Waterfront Rd, Vancouver 604-253-4421.

## Come spend your Monday Night's with The King's University Via Zoom

We have a number of exciting events and lectures coming up via Zoom that we wish to invite you to. This Fall we are bringing King's to you. Several faculty members have offered to provide online public lectures on Monday nights throughout October and November. We have two excellent lecture series to offer this semester: In October we are offering the Justice Lectures in partnership with the Micah Centre and in November we are offering a 4 part series called Educating for Life. For more information and to

sign up: https://www.kingsu.ca/research/public-lectures/events

### Gifts & Tithes

#### From the Deacons

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6,321.25
215.00
10.00
140.00

### Give by e-Transfer

You can also give your offerings through Interac ETransfer from your bank online.

## **Church Family**

We give thanks and praise to God for the miracles He has done in DJ's life, and we thank you for all your prayers and encouraging notes for DJ, Georrence, Rose and us. On Thursday afternoon DJ was discharged from the hospital and sent home - almost 2 weeks earlier than predicted; and although he continues to take medication to prevent seizures, he is starting to nurse, he is starting to exhibit the signs that every baby shows - startle reflex, grasping fingers, crying for hunger/needs, etc. and he regained his birth weight & continues to grow physically.

We give all glory to God for these miracles and continue to pray that God will regenerate any brain cells that still need healing.

John & Sheri

Birthdays this Week:

Sunday, October 4: Marius P Monday, October 5: Breanna W Tuesday, October 6: Jason W

Thursday, October 8: Gavin W, Gert W Friday, October 9: Jonna Liza VanE

Sunday, October 11: Joyce P

Oct. 5, 2020 Dear Friends in Christ,

It has been some time since you received the last communication from council. Even though we continue in the midst of the covid pandemic, council has been busy dealing with various issues and making decisions regarding various church activities. A pastor evaluation committee worked diligently in the evaluation process, also with input from pastor Kevin, to arrive at a positive evaluation. Council also formed a pastor support team. The purpose of this team is to provide an avenue for pastor Kevin to discuss any concerning issues in a confidential setting. Council has also discussed extensively the return to in-person worship. After much debate council decided that small groups, less than 50 people, could gather for worship. You have already experienced the in-person worship and reports indicate everyone is happy with that decision. It is also spiritually uplifting that we can participate in the Lord's Supper during the in-person worship services. The live streaming of the services have also provided the opportunity for many to experience a sense of community as they worship at the same time as those worshipping in-person. In addition, some of the ministries in the church have also begun to meet as they have in the past.

A major development that council has worked on is the restructuring of council in how it oversees the various ministries in our church. The mission statement for our church is 'Equipping others for service in the Kingdom of God for the glory of God'. The vision statement for our church is 'Sharing the good news of God's love, which transforms lives and culture'. With those statements in mind, council believes that these statements are best carried out through establishing several ministries in our church. The ministries are: worship, pastoral care, children and student, missional, faith formation, and stewardship. Each ministry will have elders and deacons to engage in these ministries as well as provide oversight of members of the congregation involved in these ministries. There was a lot of debate in deciding on the restructuring with a major concern expressed about the pastoral care. Pastoral care is foundational to our church in developing and maintaining the spiritual health of the congregation. The restructuring of council will not take away from the pastoral care as it has been carried out, but instead will add to it since with the restructuring all members of the congregation from young children to seniors will receive pastoral care more consistently. This will result in pastoral care being more encompassing of everyone in the congregation. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless the efforts of council in bringing this process to fruition.

As we continue in this pandemic and approaching the Fall/Winter months, it can become more difficult with the continuation of restrictions. As I have mentioned in previous messages, please avoid engaging in negative self-talk (thoughts) about the present situation. Persistent negative self-talk will tend to result in bouts of depression and a loss of a sense of hope. Continue to journal your thoughts and feelings to avoid bottling them up and engage in activities that will support your mental, emotional, and spiritual health. It is council's prayer that you will continue to look heavenward to receive the message that God is always present and will provide for all your needs.

Frank G, Chair of council

## At the Church Sunday, October 4

Pastor Kevin's message, "Knowing Self", is from Psalm 139.

For Groups 5 & 6 that signed up by Wednesday and then others that signed up until there were 50 people maximum.

**Offering for Sunday, October 4:** Church Ministries and (Race Relations - All Nations Heritage). Write the cheque to Duncan CRC and the cause in the memo line.

## Worship Groups 1 & 2 sign up by Wed. Oct. 7 for Sunday, October 11's Service

## Sign up by Wednesday, October 7!

After Wednesday, other groups can sign up as well until there are 50 people maximum. crc.duncan@shawcable.com or 250-748-2122 (office hours Tues. - Fri, 9 - 12 noon).

Offering for Sunday, October 11: Church Ministries and (Harbour Missions - Vancouver).

## Live-streaming Sunday Morning 10 am

For everyone else, the Service will be live-streamed on Sunday morning at 10 am and can be accessed on the Church website and Pastor Kevin's Church facebook page.

The Service will also be recorded and will be available once the Service is completed on the Church's website www.duncancrc.org and Pastor Kevin's Church facebook page https://www.facebook.com/duncancrc/

## **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. When you arrive, please check off your name. Then you can sign up for your next Sunday (3 weeks later). 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. The Library is closed come during the week when the Office is open.
- 7. There is no Nursery though you can use the Fireside Room for childcare if needed (the Daycare side of the church is not available).
- 8. There is no Sunday School.
- 9. There is no coffee.
- 10. Sit apart from others in the Sanctuary (family groups can stay together).
- 11. We will celebrate Lord's Supper and you can pick up the wafer and juice package before you enter the Sanctuary.
- 12. Offerings can be dropped off in a box at the back of the Sanctuary as you enter or exit the Sanctuary.

#### Your week - Sunday, October 11 Worship Group 1 Worship Group 2 B, Norm & Estherina A, Pierson A. Iohn & Sheri B, Matt & Michelle C, Wayne & Janice B, Jim & Darlene D, Henny B. Matthew B, Mike F, Edward & Patricia K. Bas & Greta DeV. Petra La R, Nancy G. Chris & Henrietta N, Andrew & Josie G. Danielle N, Dick & Deanna G, Douglas N, Michelle & Bill G, Megan T. Alice I. Eno & Hilda T, Barb & Tim K. Adam Van W. Ed K. Ben Van W. Frerik K. Nick Van W. Nettie K. Pete & Carol W, Albert & Billy-Jean P, Lena W, Angelina P. Nell W, Cindy P, Jared W, Jason & Michelle P, Marius & Joyce W, John & Dorothy vanB, Ben & Margie

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Worship Group 4		
B, Tyler & Katrina		
C, David & Anita		
C, Jan		
D, Joel & Danielle		
D, John & Affie		
E, Hilda		
G, Elli		
G, Jack & Merilyn		
D, Kalvin & Lindsay		
G, Ynze & Betsy		
H, Joe		
J, Bruce & Aafke		
L, Emilia & Lakesh		
M, Ted		
O, Dawn		
P, Shirley		
R, Maartje		
Van B, Lawrence & Marilyn		
Van H, James & Shannon		
V, Alie		
W, Harvey & Janet		
W, Ridley		
W, William		

## Sign up for your Sunday!

W, Hennie

Sunday, October 4: First choice was for Groups 5 & 6.

V, Alex & Irene

W. Gerald & Anneke

V, Betty W, Bill & Gert

Sunday, October 11: First Choice is for Groups 1 & 2. Sign up by Wed. Oct. 7.

Sunday, October 18: First Choice is for Groups 3 & 4. Sign up by Wed. Oct. 14.

Please phone or e-mail the office if you would like to be in another group: 748-2122, crc.duncan@shawcable.com

## Your week - Sunday, October 4

Z, Mary

B, Rick & Ying
C, Harry & Chris
C-Dr, Lita
de B, Kees & Susan
G, Frank & Margaret
J, Bradley & Joan
N, Jane

Worship Group 5

B, Alice

R. Nigel S, Reyna & Bobby vanB, Matthew & Darbi W, Sonya

W, Raymond W. Susan

P, Amanda

W. Ben & Alanna

W, Holly

## Worship Group 6

B, Len & Rose B, Will & Joanne B, Natashia B, Nellie de B, Renee E, Stefan & Sharlene K, Deen & Tamara R, Mike & Susan S, Christine VanderV, Pastor Kevin & lessica

V, Tom & Sandy V. Dustin & Kristen

VanW, Terry & Janette

V, Rijk & Marguerite