



Duncan Christian Reformed Church

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December 12, 2021



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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

Church Calendar

Sunday, December 12: Youth Bible Study and Christmas celebration 7 - 8:30 pm

Monday, December 13: Full Council Mtg 7 pm

Tuesday, December 14: GEMS

Wednesday, December 15: Freedom Session 7 - 9 pm

Saturday, December 18: Total Impact Christmas at the Church 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Sunday, December 19: Gingerbread House Making Competition 3 - 5 pm at the Church - see Pastor Dan (cost is \$25).

Friday, December 24: Christmas Eve Service 7 pm

Saturday, December 25: Christmas Day Service 10 am

Gingerbread House Making Competition - sign up by today, Dec. 12!

You are invited Dec. 19th, 3-5pm, to enter the 1st Duncan CRC Gingerbread House Making Competition. Regardless of your age or skill level, sign up a team and let your creative juices flow. Cost is \$25. Register online using the QR code or email/talk to Pastor Dan. Today (Sunday Dec. 12) is the last day to sign up
Pastor Dan Schultz, Pastor of Discipleship and Mission 250-510-0126



Dream Big Youth Bible Study: Christmas Celebration

This coming Sunday, December 12 we will meet at 7 - 8:30 pm for our last dream big session of the year! We will have a Christmas celebration with games, treats, prizes and a gift exchange! Please bring a \$10 gift if you would like to be part of the gift exchange! Looking forward to continuing our adventure of discovering our ambitions!

Total Impact Christmas Party Sat., Dec. 18 from 7:30 - 9:30 pm at the Church

Everyone in grade 7 to recently graduated is invited to our Christmas party here at the church.

What to bring:

- your friends, - a \$10 gift for our gift exchange, - Christmas goodies or appy to share

Come enjoy a festive night of friends, food and games!

Coffee Break

This past Thursday 16 ladies enjoyed getting together to celebrate the birth of our Saviour Jesus. With a special litany we read about Gods promise in the Old Testament to send a Saviour and that promise was fulfilled when Jesus was born! We will be taking a break now until January 13th. New ladies are always welcome!

Nursery, Sunday School

Nursery in the Preschool Wing

Sunday, December 12: Katrina B, Josie N

Sunday, December 19: Carol K, Danielle D

December 25 & 26: Nursery will be open for parents to use the room with their children

December 12 Sunday School in the Fireside Room

Teachers: Danielle D, Michelle B Helper: Reyna S

PAR/E-transfers

Collected to Nov. 19, 2021:

PAR - all for Church Ministries - \$3,494.00

E-Transfers - Church Ministries - \$4,395.00

Sea Farers - \$100.00

World Renew - World Hunger -

\$900.00.

Church Family

On November 25, 2021, our beloved mother and Oma, Petronella (Petra) DeVroom, passed away in Cowichan District Hospital at the age of 87, surrounded by the love of daughters Monique and Karen and grandson Matthew. Petra was born on December 28, 1933, in the Netherlands. The oldest of thirteen children, she was a caretaker from an early age. To her family, she was a storyteller, sharing many anecdotes of growing up during WWII from memory, which was always vivid and sharp.

She is predeceased by her beloved husband Adrianus (Ad) DeVroom, whom she married in April 1957 in the Netherlands. Together, Petra and Ad embarked on a journey of adventure and new opportunity as they immigrated to Canada in 1958. They put down roots in Ottawa, establishing a family-run boarding house, while Ad began his career as a chef, all the while maintaining a close network of friends and raising their two daughters. Amidst these new beginnings, the immigrant experience presented challenges, and Petra spoke often about her family in the Netherlands, whom she missed dearly. She travelled there several times to visit and in recent years, stayed in touch over email and FaceTime.

In 1989, Petra and Ad travelled West, retiring to Duncan to enjoy the fairer weather and to spend their later years closer to family in Edmonton. They greatly enjoyed their community at River's Edge where they lived, and stayed active at the local pool. Karen soon moved to Victoria, which allowed for many visits and time spent together. Petra and Ad spent ten wonderful years together in Duncan, before Ad passed away in June 2000.

Petra enjoyed the companionship and support of the many Dutch retirees in Duncan, several of whom she met through the Duncan Christian Reformed Church. She could often be found knitting, to "keep her hands busy," and her family now cherishes the slippers and hats she made us with such care. She was generous with these knitting projects, and many were gifts or given to local charities. She lived her values of frugality and perseverance, and had a deep love of music and classic films. She was proud of her family and their achievements, always the first one to wish us congratulations or happy birthday. In recent years through the challenges brought on by vision loss, she continued to live in her own home, managing her affairs with dignity and maintaining her treasured rose bushes.

Petra is survived by her daughters Karen DeVroom, Monique Miller (Bob Miller), her grandchildren Matthew and Andrea, and her family in the Netherlands. A private celebration of life will be held at a later date.



Birthdays this Week

Monday, December 13: Ed B, Kenna Marie VE
Wednesday, December 15: Angelina W
Friday, December 17: Lainey VS

Prayer Chain

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"They were holding bowls of incense, which are the prayers of the saints" Rev. 5:8B If you would like prayer, please call the PRAYER CHAIN, Anneke W @ 250-748-5727 or annekew@shaw.ca. Thanks. Anneke W

Church Service Sunday, December 12

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Pastor Dan will bring the Message, "Waiting for Strength", from Isaiah 40:1-11.

Offering:
Church Ministries &
(M2W2)

Anyone can come to the 10 am service.
For the health and safety of our community, we are required to wear masks at all times inside the church building.

Note: At this time there will be no coffee available.
It's important to stay home if you or anyone in your household is feeling sick.

The services will continue to be live-streamed at 10 am and then available as recordings afterwards.

This Sunday, December 12

The Offering for this Sunday is for Church Ministries and (M2W2, the Prison Ministry).

M2/W2 community volunteers are dedicated to establishing supportive relationships with incarcerated individuals in our provincial and federal institutions. They seek to come alongside inmates in a caring, non-judgmental manner to bolster a positive and productive lifestyle.

M2/W2 Association – Restorative Christian Ministries

Office: 208-2825 Clearbrook Road, Abbotsford, BC, V2T 6S3



Next Sunday, December 19

The Offering next Sunday, December 19 is for Church Ministries.

Mercy and Justice

World Renew
Indigenous Ministry (Canada)
Centre for Public Dialogue (Canada)
Disability Concerns
Office of Social Justice
Race Relations
Safe Church

Servant Leadership

Chaplaincy and Care (eg. Ministry to Seafarers)
Pastor Church Resources
Raise Up Global Ministries
The Network
Women's Ministry (eg. Coffee Break)

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Ministries (eg. Sunday School)
Calvin College
Faith Alive Christian Resources
The Banner

Global Mission

ReFrame Ministries (Back to God Ministries International)
Resonate Global Mission (World & Home Missions)

Gospel Proclamation and Worship

Calvin Theological Seminary
Worship Ministries