



Duncan Christian Reformed Church

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December 19, 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 19: TODAY after church! Christmas Eve program run through with readers and actors.

Sunday, December 19: TODAY Gingerbread House Making 3 - 5 pm at the Church for those that signed up.

Friday, December 24: Christmas Eve Service 7 pm

Saturday, December 25: Christmas Day Service 10 am

Sunday, December 26: Pyjama Party for Sunday School kids

Monday, January 10: Full Council Mtg 7 pm

Church Mailslots

The Church Mailslots are in the Council Room for now and they have been raised up from the floor for easier access!

Sunday December 26 - Pyjama Party for Sunday School kids!

Come to church on Boxing Day in your PJs! Mrs N, Morgan and Addie will be leading some fun in Sunday School that day. Church clothes NOT required...you don't even need to brush your hair! God loves us even if we've just rolled out of bed. :)

COUNCIL REPORT – Monday, December 13, 2021

- The church's FULL Council met in the church Council meeting room on Monday. Frank G welcomed members to our meeting.
- For opening devotions, Pastor Kevin read and reflected on John Piper's Advent devotional, reminding us to be astonished and in awe about God coming to earth to be among us! – and that He will come again in glory!
- John D reported that the Basket Society was thankful to be able to use the Fellowship Hall and Foyer on Saturday for distribution of gifts and "take-out" Christmas dinners. Set up started at noon and cleanup was completed by 5:30.
- Council members discussed the disappointment of some church members about the sequence of announcements regarding the hiring of Pastor Dan Schultz. Frank will report an apology.
- Pastor Dan reported that he has enjoyed the challenges and experiences of his first 3 weeks on the job.
- Total Impact has few participants and will begin to have meetings at the church with the same COVID safety rules as at GEMS or at schools.
- Stewards Ministry will continue to make up-grades and changes to parts of the building where needed. (New bulbs will brighten the Fellowship Hall?) Drawings of some proposed changes and other ideas will be shared with a visioning team. Call Jim B if you'll join it!
- It was agreed to distribute pamphlet/invitations to some nearby homes for the Christmas Eve program.
- Efforts will be made to organize a Community Dinner for the end of January with mostly "take-out", some limited seating for family bubbles and some distribution to nearby homeless groups.
- We are still needing persons to volunteer to serve as Hall Monitor during worship services. Please contact Tom V if you can help with this.

Next meeting of the Full Council is scheduled for January 10, 2022.

John D, Clerk

Announcements

Note from Council

A concern was expressed at the last congregational meeting regarding the timing sequence of the hiring of pastor Dan and pastor Dan's introduction in the bulletin. We hear your concern, affirm it and validate it. Some people indicated that the hiring had not been completed before pastor Dan posted his introduction. That is partly correct, however, the council report in the bulletin of Nov. 14 stated, "Interview Committee met on Oct. 25th to interview one candidate for the role of Pastor of Discipleship and Mission. No other candidates applied in person or online. The committee recommended the interviewee to Council for hire. Council approved the job package and has extended a job offer to this interviewee. Further information will be available once the interviewee has responded."

While council acknowledges that pastor Dan had not yet accepted the invitation to the position, it could be deduced that since he had applied that he would accept the invitation. Both council and pastor Dan were eager to begin his work as soon as possible, which occurred once he signed the contract. Council humbly apologizes for the sequencing of the announcements as well as not naming pastor Dan as the applicant. We acknowledge the issue could have used more clarity. As with anything else, when a mistake occurs, it becomes an excellent learning experience. Frank G, Chair of Council

ReFrame Ministries

Advent: A Time of Love - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Angels are cool. Did you ever wonder about angels? As you read the Christmas story, listen to the angels. Each time an angel speaks, notice that the angel describes Jesus and tells how God will change the world. Listen now at kidscorner.net and check out all the new content, including The Gifts of Kindness Advent Calendar and the KC parent blog too.

Gifts & Tithes

Church Ministries	20,160.75
Cowichan Basket Society	700.00
Resonate Global Mission	45.00
Reframe Ministries	115.00
M2W2 Prison Ministry	15.00
World Renew - World Hunger	450.00
Food Grains Bank	1,500.00

Prayer Chain

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If you would like prayer, please call the PRAYER CHAIN, Anneke W @ 250-748-5727 or annekew@shaw.ca. Thanks. Anneke W

Birthdays this Week

Monday, December 20: Aliya N
Tuesday, December 21: Madison W
Thursday, December 23: Andrew N

Nursery, Sunday School

Nursery in the Preschool Wing

Sunday, December 19: Carol K, Danielle D
December 25 & 26: Nursery will be open for parents to use the room with their children

December 19 Sunday School in the Fireside Room

Teachers: Katrina B/Tamara K
Helper: Julianna K

Church Service Sunday, December 19

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Pastor Kevin will bring the Message, "Waiting to be Satisfied", from Joel 2:12-14, 3:17-21.

Offering:
Church Ministries

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 19

The Offering for this Sunday is for Church Ministries.

From the Deacons - Flood Relief

Flood Relief

With the flood waters receding in the Fraser Valley and in the interior of BC, the awesome task of reclamation, relief, and reconstruction begins. The deacons would like to collect funds for the efforts of the Red Cross for the following two Sundays. These funds will be matched by the Provincial Government 1-1 as well as by the Federal Government. These funds will be able to help those on the ground in their task of helping those affected by the recent floods. Thank you for giving knowledgeably in helping others in these devastating times.

The deacons.

Christmas Day, December 25

The Offering on Christmas Day is for World Renew General or Flood Relief.

Next Sunday, December 26

The Offering next Sunday, December 26 is for Church Ministries and (Cascade Christian Counselling or Flood Relief).

PAR/E-transfers

Give by e-Transfer

You can also give your offerings through Interac ETransfer from your bank online. Log in to your bank's online banking and navigate to the Send Interac e-Transfer area. Your first time using this method you will need to add giving@duncancrc.org as a new recipient.