



# Duncan Christian Reformed Church

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## Worship Services

### Sunday, January 7

Pastor Kevin will bring the Message, "Biblically Rooted", from Psalm 1.  
We will celebrate the Lord's Supper together.

The Offering is for Church Ministries and (Cowichan Valley Basket Society).

The Cowichan Valley Basket Society was started in 1988 to ensure no individual or family in the Cowichan Valley goes hungry either physically, spiritually or emotionally (5810 Garden St).

Pastor Dan is at our sister church, Christ Community in Nanaimo today, providing pulpit supply as they are without a pastor.

### Sunday, January 14

The Offering next Sunday is for Church Ministries and (Cowichan Valley Hospice Society).

Hospice provides compassionate, person-centered, end-of-life and bereavement care available to anyone, anywhere in the Cowichan region (3122 Gibbins Rd).

## Council Announcement

After taking the time to prayerfully discern, Pastor Kevin and Jessica felt led by God to accept a call to serve at Living Hope Church in Medicine Hat. Pastor Kevin has shared how difficult this decision was for them and how much they love this community. They were not searching for a new church, but had been approached. They are grateful that God led them to serve Duncan CRC for the past five years, and are excited to see all the ways that God is at work here. They know that God will continue to lead, guide, and bless this ministry.

Council is thankful for Pastor Kevin's leadership over these past five years and believes that God has used both Pastor Kevin and Jessica to bless our congregation.

Council has connected with Thrive ministries (formerly Pastor Church Relations) to receive coaching on how to proceed in the coming days, weeks and months. We will communicate with the church family as new information arises, and as new steps are being taken. Although we do not yet know what the next months will look like, there will be a shifting of roles and responsibilities for Council, Pastor Dan and our ministry teams.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out to Council or Pastor Kevin. We ask that you prayerfully support Council, Pastor Dan, and Pastor Kevin and be graciously patient as we seek God's guidance for our next steps.

## Church Family

Frank will be going to the Victoria cancer clinic Jan. 8 - 12th for radiation therapy treatment post surgery, as a final part of his treatment. Your thoughts and prayers are much appreciated for this final phase.

### Church Heritage Wall

The committee is interested in borrowing your original photos or negatives of our church history, especially of the church buildings and building projects from the past. We hope to work towards a heritage wall (the photos in the anniversary book are not high enough resolution).

## Announcements

### Coffee Break Update

THIS Thursday will be our first get together for 2024. Our very first Coffee Break gathering was January 1985 - so 39 years ago! It's hard to believe so many years have gone by - so many blessings! God has been faithful as women have been studying the Bible in small groups all these years! New ladies are always welcome - we have over 30 ladies registered this year. Child care is available. We will begin the year by studying 1 and 2 Thessalonians - 6 lessons.

### Wednesday Fireside Room Bible Study

First meeting of the year will be next Wednesday, January 17 (note date change) - new members are always welcome! Meet at 1:30 pm for coffee/tea and refreshments and socializing. Shortly after 2 pm we will watch the second video of our study from Malachi with discussion questions to follow.

### GWICTL Jan. 28th

Guess Who Is Coming to Lunch is centered around PEOPLE and FOOD! We believe that when people gather together, they are encouraged, equipped and empowered. All ages are invited to join in the sharing of a potluck meal, conversation and hopefully some spontaneous fun. Sign up online or at the welcome desk as a host or guest, for our Jan. 28th event.

### Date Night

Friday, February 2 (note date change), 6:30-8:30 pm will be a time for couples to hit pause and breathe in some fresh air for your relationship, to learn some new wisdom and new tools to strengthen your connection. \$20 includes dessert. Child care available if you have registered before Jan. 29th. Register online or at the welcome desk.



## Church Calendar

### This Week:

The forecast is for cold temperatures and snow so be careful for slippery, icy conditions.

Sun, Jan 7: Celebrate the Lord's Supper together

Mon, Jan 8: Meals on the Ground. Talk to Affie if you want to help. Meet at church at 2 pm.

Mon, Jan 8: Full Council Mtg 7 pm

Tues, Jan 9: Coffee & Crafting in the Fireside Room 10 am - 3 pm

Tues, Jan 9: GEMS/Cadets

Wed, Jan 10: Adult Bible Study 7 pm

Thurs, Jan 11: Coffee Break Ladies Bible Study & Nursery 10 - 11:30 am (coffee at 9:30 am)

Thurs, Jan 11: Worship Mtg 7 pm

Fri, Jan 12: B3 Youth at the Church 7 pm

### Future Dates:

Mon, Jan 15: Pastoral Care Mtg 7 pm

Wed, Jan 17: Afternoon Bible Study 1:30 pm

Mon, Jan 22: Elders' Mtg 7 pm

Sat, Jan 27: Community Dinner

Sun, Jan 28: Guess Who is Coming to Lunch - sign up at Welcome Desk or online

Fri, Feb 2: Date Night 6:30 - 8:30 pm. \$20 - Register online or at the welcome desk

August 9 - 13: Rathrevor Camping. Talk to Joel or Pastor Dan

## Gifts & Tithes

**Cheques & Cash counted Dec. 31,  
eTransfer Nov 20 - Dec 31, PAR Dec. 20**

Church Ministries:	\$41,793.00
World Renew - World Hunger:	\$50.00
Duncan Christian School:	\$100.00
Deacon Fund:	\$250.00
Library	\$80.00
Cowichan Valley Basket Society	\$505.00
Wagner Hills:	\$50.00
World Renew:	\$330.00
Reframe Ministries:	\$55.00
M2W2:	\$45.00
Cascade Counselling :	\$65.00
Salvation Army	\$200.00

### Giving Envelope Numbers

New giving envelope numbers have been assigned for 2024.

Do not use your old giving envelopes anymore.

If you did not receive envelopes but would like to be assigned a giving number and receive envelopes, please talk to any Deacon. (Those that use eTransfer and PAR were not given envelopes, but you can still have them if you would like).

Thank you for your support of the mission of our church!

### Little Lambs (Nursery/Preschool)

January 7: Carol K, Tangarene J, Hannah B  
January 14: Katrina B, Laura S, Serenity

Child care for infants to pre-school is located in the wing to the right of the sanctuary

### Sunday School

January 7:  
K-2 Teacher: Danielle D, Helper: Addie N  
Gr 3-5 Teacher: Michelle B, Helper: Reyna S

Sunday School children are dismissed part way through the service and return during the service.

### Hospitality team

January:  
Mike & Susan R, Ben & Margie V, Sandy V

### Coffee Break Nursery

January 11: Henrietta G, Ida vB

### Birthdays this Week

Wednesday, January 10: Stefan E, Hendrik vdG  
Thursday, January 11: Ida vB  
Friday, January 12: Emilia D  
Saturday, January 13: Anneke W

### Coffee Servers

January 7: Pete & Carol K  
January 14: Jim & Darlene B

### Hall Monitors

January 7: Fred W  
January 14: Will B

### Prayer Chain

If you would like prayer, please call the PRAYER CHAIN Thanks, Anneke W

Hearing assistance is available upon request from the greeters.