



THE DUNCAN UNITED CHURCH "DOVE"
February 28th, 2010

We warmly welcome all who are with us today! We pray that you will find this time of celebration meaningful and helpful in your spiritual journey. We invite you to join us for light refreshments following the service of worship. If you are visiting or joining us for the first time, please introduce yourself to the minister. If we can provide any information or do anything to assist you, please let us know.

To contact the church office: Phone: 746-6043, Fax: 746-6785 or e-mail: admin@duncanunited.org. You are invited to visit our website at www.duncanunited.org. Duncan and Joan may be contacted through the office number.

In ministry together

ALL the people of the Duncan United Church parish community and...
Duncan Barwise and Joan Barwise, Ministry Staff
Connie Masson – Music Director
Cathy Coulter RN – Parish Nurse
Linda Evans & Tracy Parow – Administration
Mike Simkins and Garth Williams – Leaders of Song
Ray Lockhart – Custodian

Today's Happenings

**COME SHARE IN WORSHIP THIS AFTERNOON AT
CAINSMORE PLACE (2 PM)**

Duncan is leading in worship this afternoon at Cairnsmore Place. It's always great to have a few folks from Duncan United assist with the welcoming and greeting - and, especially, the singing! The 30 minute service begins at 2 pm - come and join with us!

Photos will be taken today following the service in Burns Hall for people whose last name begins with letters P - Z



Duncan United Church's Annual Congregational Conversation (Annual General Meeting) is scheduled for Sunday, March 7, 2010 following the service. A hot dog lunch will be provided for a cost of \$5.00 with the money being donated to the Tower Fund.



Please join us in our SundayJourney!

Welcome to all children and youth and their families! At Duncan United, children and youth are a vital part of our worship together and are invited to sit with family or in our friendly area at the front of the sanctuary.

Our nursery is available for parent use at any time. It is located next to the Sanctuary and is equipped with a speaker.

4 years and younger may take their parents to the Sundance Room or the Nursery.

Children from K - Grade 3 will be gathering in the Godly Play room for a story and a craft.

Children from Grade 4 and up will be gathering in the Solstice Rm for a story and to work on our story boxes.

Youth in grade 7 and up will meet in the Youth room.

Children may remain in the Sanctuary during the Worship Service

TGIF and Youth Group

Next Youth group is Friday, March 5th at 7:00 p.m. We will be going swimming. Drop off and pick up will be at the pool.



The Seekers Branch of the UCW has invited guest speaker **Christina Martens** to speak about **Warmland House** and the Canadian Mental Health Initiatives in the Cowichan Valley on **Monday, March 1st at 1:00 p.m. in the Burns Hall.**
All are Welcome to come

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM

The Canadian Government sponsors a program that allows low income persons to have their taxes prepared and e-filed at no cost to them. In order to qualify the yearly income must meet certain criteria:

- 1: For single person- under \$25,000.
 - 2: For couple- under \$35,000.
- Have less than \$1,000. in capital gains
 - Include no rental income.

If you feel that you qualify and want to take advantage of this program please contact Pat Hancock/ Bonnie Thompson at 250-746-5577 between 9 and 10 in the morning or 4 and 5 in the afternoon and we will make arrangements to pick up your information.

Coming events!



Faith and Film Series - on the big screen!

Join with Duncan

Saturdays at 1 p.m. in Heritage Hall
March 20 & April 17, May 8, June 5th
Popcorn and Refreshments provided

Living the Questions #2 Part 2

During the season of Lent, four Saturdays,
March 6, 13 & 20

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Please register in the office, suggested cost \$10.00

(Those who may wish to formally join our church family will be welcomed on Palm Sunday, March 28th.)



Centering Prayer will be offered in the Sanctuary on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm. March 9, 16, 23 & 30. We will open with prayer, sit in silence for 20 minutes with God and close. If you have never practiced Centering Prayer this is a wonderful opportunity to come out and experience this "listening" prayer. For information contact Linda in the office. 250-746-6043

"The Cross of Christ"

Presented by Sarah Donnelly BA MDiv

Saturday March 27 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 pm

Please register in the office. Suggested registration: \$20.00

Lunch provided

"Grief & Spirituality"

Presented by Dr. Nancy Reeves

Co Sponsored by Cowichan Valley Hospice Society

Friday, April 23.

10:00 am – 4:30 pm

Please register in the office. Cost: \$15.00 Bring a bag lunch

World Day of Prayer 2010

Let everything that has breath praise God!

March 5th at 1:00 p.m.

St Andrews Presbyterian Church

531 Herbert St Duncan

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Youth Group

Mexico Missions Team

Fund raiser event - Mexican Fiesta Night - March 6 @ 6:00 pm
An evening of fun, good food, fellowship and an opportunity to help the teens raise money for there trip to Mexico this summer. We will be having a goods auction, talent auction (teens providing various services) and a fun photo booth.

Cost is \$10.00 for 12 and over and \$5.00 for under 12. You can purchase a ticket from the church office 531 Herbert St. or you can call and reserve a ticket 250-746-7413. Tickets need to be purchased by March 4. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

COME INTO GOD'S PRESENCE.

(A day of prayer and gentle work)

In God's presence we will follow the meditational practices and observations passed down from early Christian followers as we worship, prepare our food, walk the Labyrinth, tend the garden and live in community for a day.

Saturday, **10th April**, 2010

9.30am to 4.30pm

St. John's Anglican Church, 3295 Cobble Hill Road, Cobble Hill.

For further information please contact Pip Woodcock. 250-701-9166.

sandstoneoriginals@telus.net Poster with more details to follow.



Mike and Irene Simkins are downsizing and have some good quality used furniture for sale. If you are in need of something speak to them following the service or call them at 250-746-8316

Due to the fire at the Kiwanis Village, one of our members requires a small suite or two rooms with kitchen privileges in an area close to town for 6-7 months.

Please call the office 250-746-6043 for more information.



95th Anniversary of CGIT in

Canada on Saturday April 24, 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
(lunch provided)

Centennial United Church 612 David Street Victoria, BC

We are inviting all CGIT alumnae and CGIT groups in British Columbia to this event (and particularly the Baptist, Presbyterian and United Churches since they sponsor CGIT). We know there are a number of alumnae who have fond memories of their time spent in CGIT and who may enjoy participating in this gathering. Please bring any memorabilia (with your name on the item) you may wish to display at the celebration. If your group would like to make a presentation about your time in CGIT, there will be an opportunity to sing, dance, or give a skit in honour of 95 years of CGIT in Canada, and particularly in BC.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Happy Birthday to Sally Doney on March 3rd, to Lacey Mohun-Smith on the 4th, to Vera Reed and Joyce Dulange on the 6th and to Cathy Coulter on the 7th.



Our thoughts and prayers are with David and Katherina Goodacre and family on the loss of David's mother Eileen on February 23rd.

Also we remember in our prayers the family and friends of Rene Hall who passed away at Sunridge Place on February 25th. There will be a celebration of life for Rene on Saturday, March 6th at 1:00 p.m. here in our sanctuary.

THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES

THE HARMONY BRANCH of the UCW will meet on Monday, March 1st at 12:00 noon in the Burns Hall

THE SEEKERS BRANCH of the UCW will meet on Monday, March 1st at 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Room

THE COMPANIONS BRANCH of the UCW meets Tuesday, March 2nd at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Room

THE VIOLET LEE BRANCH of the UCW will meet on Thursday, March 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Room

LIVING THE QUESTIONS meets on Saturday, March 6th at 9:30 am in the Heritage Hall.

WEEKLY MEETINGS

THRIFT STORE SORTING Mondays at 9:00 am in Heritage Hall

MOTHERS MORNING OUT Tuesdays at 9:30 in Heritage Hall

SENIOR'S EXERCISE Wednesdays at 10:30 am in Burns Hall

PAUSE CAFÉ Thursdays at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Room

READING MUSIC Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary

CHOIR PRACTICE Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary

BULLETIN FOLDING Fridays 10:30 am in the Meeting Room

THRIFT STORE OPEN Fridays 9:00 am to 1:30 pm.

WE ARE THANKFUL

to the AOTS and all those who helped out to make last weekend's garage sale a great success!

Thank you Shawl Ministry, Circle of Friends. The shawl is beautiful! Thank you to the person who made it for my Mom Mary. A heartfelt thank you to all those who offered their hands and comforting prayers and blessings. Thank you for such a huge expression of God's love care through you.

God bless the Shawl Ministry

Much love, Barabee

OUR PRAYERS

We remember in our prayers this week

✠ Dorothy Chisholm, Anne Schubert

✠ All those in care facilities and those facing ongoing challenges.

✠ The people of Andorra, Austria, Liechtenstein, Monaco, San Marino, Switzerland

✠ members and families of our Canadian Forces

If you have any pastoral care concerns, please speak with Duncan or Joan or contact the church office. To contact the confidential telephone prayer chain, please call Darlene Stefanson at 748-9919



LECTIONARY READINGS – March 7, 2010

Isaiah 55: 1-9

Psalm 63:1-8

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Luke 13:1-9

We provide the biblical backgrounds from the "Whole People of God" Curriculum. Packages are available in the office.