



Comox United Church

Our Values: Spirituality, Openness, Care for the Common Good, Radical Love

DECEMBER 8TH – 15TH, 2023



Unsplash -

Service: December 10, 2023
Advent 3 - JOY

Leader: Rev. Karen Hollis
Greeters: Bev Agur, Isobel McLeish
Coffee: Debra Monk, Marilyn Bourne
Power Point: Joyce Relyea
Live Stream:
Scripture: Joan Gillies
Prayers of the People: Joan Gillies

Worship services are available in three ways:

1. Attend in-person at the church on Sundays @10:00am
2. Watch the live stream by going to <https://www.comoxunitedchurch.com> and clicking the button.
3. Watch another time from the "Virtual Services" page on our website:
<https://www.comoxunitedchurch.com/pages/online-sunday-services>

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OUR COMMUNITY ADVENT: JOY

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

WEEKLY

Mondays	1:30	Knitting Group
Tuesdays	10:00	Coffee and Conversation at the Comox Golf Club
Thursday	6:30	Choir Practice
Fridays	10:00	Men's Shed

MONTHLY

1 st Sun	1:30	Glacier View Lodge Music
2 nd Mon.	1:15	UCW
2 nd Fri	TBA	Social Singles Contact: Merrilee: tomyhome@shaw.ca
3 rd Sat	9:00	Men's Breakfast
Last Sun.	11:15	Soup and Bun Lunch

WANTED ASAP

COORDINATOR OF SOUP & BUN LUNCHES

Seeking someone to step into this position. You will get lots of support from Merrilee.

Time commitment is 3 hours the last Sunday of the month for 8 months and 1 hour the week before.

It is a very popular activity that provides great opportunity for socializing & getting to know some of your pew mates better & to welcome new folks to our community.

Before you think you can't do it, talk to Merrilee.....she is gentle with her persuasions.



SHOUT OUTS

A BIG thank you to the lovely UCW ladies who hosted a beautiful Christmas luncheon on Monday. The food was delicious, the fellowship was meaningful and fun filled. Many thanks for your wonderful hospitality and for Gloria and Donna's gifts of music.



Brooklyn Kennedy's grandson.

Thank you to the women who braved out the storm on Monday Dec. 4th for the UCW Women's Luncheon.

The shared food and entertainment was wonderful.

A special thanks to Gloria, Donna and Isobel for their gifts of music and storytelling.

A HUGE THANK YOU to the UCW women and those special angels who set up and stayed to help clean up.

May all be filled with the love of Christ this busy season.

Thank
you



OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

There have been inquiries for Gloria Herauf's Piano cds which are available for sale from Gloria at \$15.[Matthew Mystery Project].

Contact Gloria at {250} 339-5085 OR glherauf@shaw.ca



LOST AND FOUND

Next week, if there any items in the lost and found box/hangers, I'd like to donate them to Care-A-Van. Please take a look at the items.

From Leslie Fraser to the community. For my Matthew Mystery Project, I had a quilt purchased by Anne Louise Davie(s)? She didn't leave contact information. Does anyone know her?



COMOX UNITED CHURCH WEBSITE

This Week's Tip:

1. To read about the climate action workshop tomorrow, go to the Church website.
2. From the menu at the top of the page, select Events.
3. Scroll down to Finding Climate Action.
4. Consider attending!

Questions? Comments? Concerns?

NB: This is YOUR website! If you'd like to comment, please email Joyce Wagland at websiteadmin@comoxunitedchurch.com or phone 250-207-5650.

FREE

Do you know of a family with young children that could use a colorful and playful bookshelf with drawers?

There's one in the Church Foyer.

This is the perfect item for a family this Christmas Season. It would look fantastic with a big, red bow attached.

It's ready to use Christmas Day and for years to come.

It's calling out to be loved and filled with children's books and stuffies.

FREE

There are several, empty boxes in the Office ready to be filled and wrapped for the Season.

They had office supplies in them – so they are neither too big nor too small. As Goldilocks would say, "They're just right."



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER

9th, Monday, **FINDING CLIMATE CHANGE**, 10-11:30 AM, Church Hall. This 1.5 hour interactive session will be about 'finding' solutions and communication tips, resources, and climate collaborators.

10th, Sunday, **CHARLES DICKENS: A CHRISTMAS CAROL INCLUDING A VICTORIA CHRISTMAS TEA AND BUFFET** @ 7 pm at the Church Tickets \$30 each available at Laughing Oyster Books and Blue Heron Books.

10th, Sunday, **UN Human Rights Day**

14th, Thursday, **TAIZE SERVICES** @ 4pm in the Hall

16th, Saturday, **BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE** @ 12:30 pm at the Church. This is a quiet, reflective service which offers a moment of healing and hope in the midst of the busyness of Christmas. ***NOTE change in time from last week's newsletter!**

17th, **WHITE GIFT SUNDAY**, @ 10:00 am
We will be collecting financial donations for "Rainbow House"*

17th, Sunday, **COMOX VALLEY UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP WINTER SOLSTICE** @ 4:00 pm in the Church Sanctuary

18th, Monday, **2nd ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SINGALONG** @ 2 pm with Gloria Herauf @ Comox United Church. Good Will Offering. ***Come and sing your favourite carols and Christmas songs in a good old-fashioned sing-song! [Words will be provided]***

21st, Thursday, **THE LONGEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR SERVICE**, will be held at the **WEIRD CHURCH** this year. More information to follow.

24th, Sunday, **THERE IS NO 10 AM SERVICE CHRISTMAS EVE** ~ 8:00 pm service Lessons and Carols

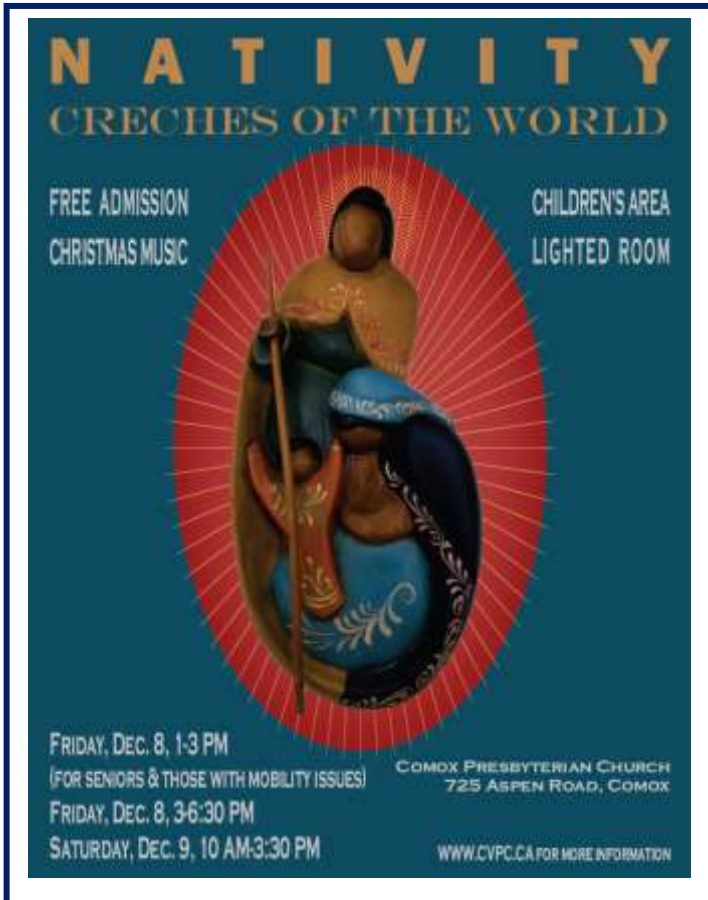
25th – January 10th **Karen is away**

25th, Monday, Christmas Day

26th, Tuesday, Boxing Day

31st, Sunday, **Karen is away. There is no Bulletin this week.**

31st, Sunday, **WE ARE INVITED TO WORSHIP WITH ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**, there will be no service at Comox United



Please note: Newsletters are also posted on the Comox United website.

Announcements should be sent to admin@comoxunitedchurch.com
or call 250 339-3966 by **8:00 am Thursday morning.**

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