

## **CONGREGATIONAL E-MAIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Unit 100, 2020 Estevan Road, Nanaimo, BC, V9S 0C9  
**BRECHIN UNITED CHURCH OFFICE HOURS (and church entry)**  
9:30 a.m.–12:00 noon and 1:00–3:00 p.m., TUESDAY – FRIDAY  
Phone - (250) 754-9212



### **WORSHIP WITH BRECHIN UNITED CHURCH**

Everyone is welcome Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in person or join us on livestream at [www.youtube.com/@BrechinUnitedChurch-of8yz](https://www.youtube.com/@BrechinUnitedChurch-of8yz) and look for the live tab.

For those livestreaming, you can meet for a Zoom "Coffee Chat" following the service.

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89260121063?pwd=TPiL6lwYgUjfqSv1T6OxasVlqU0qb.1>

Later the service will be posted to our home page where past services can still be viewed. Parking is available across the road at École Océane elementary school or at Zougla Restaurant

### **MAKE YOUR REGULAR DONATIONS TO BRECHIN BY ONE OF THESE METHODS:**

- Bring your offering to regular Sunday Service
- Mail your cheque to Brechin United Church, Unit 100, 2020 Estevan Road, Nanaimo, BC, V9S 0C9
- Send an Interac E-transfer to Brechin United Church using [donatebrechin@shaw.ca](mailto:donatebrechin@shaw.ca)
- Use the CanadaHelps button on our website
- Apply for PAR (application forms are available at the Office)

When making your donation on-line, please include how you wish your donation to be allocated: Local Expenses of Brechin or Mission & Service Fund. It would be helpful to also add your e-mail address. Thank you.

### **Link to Brechin Calendar:** [Calendar | Brechin United Church](#)

For a complete list of activities at Brechin this month please open the calendar link above. Click on any event for more information.

To print a copy of the calendar, remember to change to landscape setting.

A copy of the calendar is also posted on the bulletin board at the church.

**Nov. 30th:**     **Reader:** Christine Robertson  
**Greeters:** Colleen Weir & Bonnie Haapala  
**Power Point:** Angela Donaldson  
**Audio Visual:** Matt Haapala  
**Coffee Servers:** Mark & Alison Jarvis

**Dec. 7th:**     **Reader:** Linda Braid  
**Greeters:** Judy & Henry Wiebe  
**Power Point:** Presented by Ian Gartshore,  
Prepared by Eileen Carolan  
**Audio Visual:** Matt Haapala  
**Coffee Servers:** Bonnie Haapala & Salome Carey

**OUR THEME FOR THE SEASON OF ADVENT:** is How Does a Weary World Rejoice. There is a weekly devotional booklet that explores scripture readings through commentary, art, music and poetry. There will be some black and white copies available at worship on November 30th. If we run out and you'd still like one, or if you would like the link to the colour version to print at home or for e-reader, please email Rev Katherine [revkath@yahoo.com](mailto:revkath@yahoo.com)

**SCAM ALERT:** There are still scam texts and emails going around. Just a reminder that Rev Katherine will never send a text or email asking for money or gift cards. If something looks odd, please delete that text or email, and let the office or Rev Katherine know that you've received it.

**COOKIE WALK BAKERS:** Please pick up trays and ingredient sheets in the Birch Room every Sunday. Questions? See Linda Braid or Val Neilson. Please deliver your treats, on trays, with the completed ingredient sheets, on **Saturday, December 6th**, from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Many thanks!

**ARE YOU A WRITER, PERHAPS A BIT OF AN HISTORIAN?** Are you a writer, perhaps a bit of an historian? Our website history page is wonderful but only up until 2015. We are looking for someone who would add our past 10 years. The relevant page is at [Our History | Brechin United Church](#) | [Brechin United Church](#). If you are interested, please chat with Gloria at Church or call her at (236) 238-1652.

**DECORATING FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS:** **Saturday, November 29th** at 9:30 a.m. We hope to set up 3 trees, the outdoor nativity set and more!! Many hands make the task easier. Please come and help us prepare the church for Advent.



**TAIZE:** gathering this **Sunday, November 30th** at Hope Lutheran Church - 2174 Departure Bay Road at 4:30. Music practice for all interested at 3:45. All are welcome on this first Sunday of Advent for this beautiful contemplative service of scripture, prayer and song.

**REACHING OUT'S POTLUCK CHRISTMAS DINNER** – **Wednesday, December 3rd** @ 6 p.m. in Brechin's Arbutus Room. Bring a dish of food or dessert to share, and a gift to exchange (not worth more than \$10). Tea, Coffee and lots of fun will be provided.

**SPEAK OUT: ENDING GENDER BASED VIOLENCE WORKSHOP**

**Date:** **Wednesday, December 3rd** from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (including complimentary lunch starting at 12:00 p.m.). Registration required

**Location:** Best Western Dorchester Hotel Nanaimo

**CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGALONG** at Brechin in the Cedar Room, **Friday, December 5th**, 4:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Tim Weger will be playing the piano leading us in our Carol Singalong. The Brechin Ukelele group will also entertain us with some Christmas tunes. All are Welcome! Admission by donation.

**INSTALLATION INVITATION:** The members of Hope Lutheran Church invite you to share with us in the joy of welcoming our new pastor, Rev. Derek Solberg, **Saturday, December 6th**, 2025 at Hope Lutheran Church, 2174 Departure Bay Road, Nanaimo BC. Worship and Installation begins at 11 a.m., with a luncheon following. Please RSVP your attendance by e-mail to: [hope2174@shaw.ca](mailto:hope2174@shaw.ca) (In the subject line, please write RSVP in capital, bold letters.)

**WHITE GIFT SUNDAY-DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**- A suggested list of small items that can bring joy and warmth to each individual can be found posted on the bulletin board in the hallway, and in the Friday email announcement link for the Island Crisis Care Society. Please bring your unwrapped gift to church on **Sunday, December 7th**. See ICCS poster in attachments. [www.islandcrisiscareociety.ca](http://www.islandcrisiscareociety.ca)

**ST. ANDREW'S COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS HIGH TEA:** Join us for delicious sandwiches, cakes, desserts and musical entertainment! This is sure to be a festive Christmas Event for the Holiday Season, that you won't want to miss! Christmas Tea on **Saturday, December 13th** from 3:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35.00. To reserve your tickets, please call: (250) 753-1924 or email: [office.stauc@shaw.ca](mailto:office.stauc@shaw.ca)

**UNITED CHURCH CALENDARS FOR 2026:** This unique Church calendar is now available. Only \$15. A beautiful way to follow all the seasons of the church year! Please call Peggy Jensen @ (250) 816-7504 for free delivery. *Get your copy now and look forward to 2026*

**BRADFORD BABY:** Hi folks! We are happy to share that Bennett Cedar Bradford arrived to the Sunside November 18th. We're all home now and he's teaching us all about being parents, quite patiently overall! We had a couple of months in the new home before his arrival so we are almost unpacked and organized which is handy. Here's a few photos to share with anyone who would like to celebrate with us. Our time in Nanaimo and with Brechin is a cherished part of our story and the life we're building as a family! Every blessing, Tif. (Photos on bulletin board)

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