

April 17, 2026

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 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 donate@brechinunited.org (NEW)
- 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.

April 19th:
Lay Leader: Bonnie Haapala
Greeters: Colleen Weir & Anne Harris-Freed
Power Point: Mary Boyd
Announcement Preparation: Angela Donaldson
Audio Visual: Matt Haapala
Coffee Servers: Gloria Le Gal and Colleen Weir
Welcome Table: Barb O'Neill

April 26th:
Lay Leader: Vickeri Cochrane
Greeters: Teresa Bellinger & Justine Etzkorn
Power Point: Matt Haapala
Announcement Preparation: Eileen Carolan
Audio Visual: Mary Boyd
Coffee Servers: Bonnie Haapala
Welcome Table:

GUEST SPEAKER: A warm welcome and thank you to guest speaker, Peter Sinclair, Executive Director of Loaves & Fishes for his leadership this morning.

SECOND ANNUAL VEGETARIAN POTLUCK DINNER: An evening of delectable vegetarian dishes ranging from sweet to savoury. **When: Saturday, April 18th**, Doors open at 5 p.m. Potluck dinner starts at 5:30 p.m. followed by a discussion on actions we can take to enhance local food security and reduce carbon emissions.

Where: 595 Townsite Road, Nanaimo at the First Unitarian Fellowship Hall. Carpool if possible.

What: Bring your favourite vegetarian dish to share.

TAKE A BREAK - GATHERING TOGETHER: Would you like to get together with Brechin friends for conversation and fellowship? Come for coffee or tea. Our next Take A Break get together will be held on **Wednesday, April 22nd** from 2:00 - 3:30 at Susan Ward's home. Sign up on the church bulletin board. Susan will contact you.

MEN'S GROUP APRIL 27: Men's group will meet **Monday, April 27th** for an all-day Gabriola Island adventure which will feature scenery, walks, lunch, miniature railroad, art, and other delights. We are also hoping to visit the ferry bridge on the way. Meet at Brechin at 9:50 a.m. for carpooling. (For further information contact John Bullas.)

GAMES NIGHT: is on **April 27th** in the Arbutus room from 7 to 9 p.m. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending.

NEW MEMBERS: If you are interested in becoming a member of Brechin United Church, we are having a gathering on **Thursday, April 30th, 4:30-5:30** to go through what is involved. Our New Member Sunday will be on May 24th. This is open to folks who did the new members classes before Easter, folks who have done new members classes before, folks who have transferred their membership from other United Churches, or folks who are just interested in what membership in the United Church means. Please email Rev Katherine to let her know if you plan to attend (or can't but are still interested in becoming a member on May 24th) at revkath@yahoo.com

THEN LET US SING: we are welcoming Bruce Harding, one of the music editors of the new United Church music resource, on May 2nd and 3rd. Join us for a day of singing on **May 2nd**, then as Bruce leads us in worship on **May 3rd**. May 2nd is from 9:30- 3 p.m., suggested donation of \$20 and please bring your own lunch.

BRECHIN BARGAINS SPRING THRIFT MARKET: **May 9th** 9-1; drop-off **May 8th** 10 – 4. Keep collecting. Call Peggy (250) 816-7504 if early drop-off required. Bring jewellery and plaid shirts any Sunday. Sign-up to help, volunteers needed May 8 & 9. Please, post a poster in your neighbourhood.

IN NEED OF: Can you spare a few clean grocery bags for our clients who attend our Tuesday Loaves & Fishes depot? Feel free to bring them to church this Sunday. Thanks! :-)

KNITTERS AND CROCHET EXPERTS: We have an abundance of yarn! Please help yourselves to it, if you are thinking of creating a prayer shawl soon. The yarn can be found on the shelves in the copy room. Thank you 💜

GLOBAL VILLAGE NANAIMO: Spring Pop-Up Store, Open **April 6th - May 16th**, store is located inside Country Club Centre adjacent to JYSK. Mall hours are: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. - Monday to Thursday, and Saturday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. – Friday; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - Sunday
