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## Inlet United Newsletter for October 4 to October 10, 2026



### What's Happening at Inlet United

October 4 to October 10, 2026

#### HIGHLIGHT OF THE WEEK:

**BLESSING OF THE PETS CEREMONY** - Sunday, October 4 | During our regular worship service. Bring your four-legged (and two-legged!) family members for a special Blessing of the Pets ceremony! More details in this newsletter.

#### UPCOMING THIS WEEK:

**Sunday Worship Service, October 4, 2026** - Please join us at 10am in person at The Springs or via YouTube Live Stream - [Click here for link!](#) Worship Leader, Rev. Jenn Swanson presiding, along with Music Director, Scott Gould.  
**Theme: Worship Series Creation Time 4** - Living Water: What is a Blessing?

**Monday, October 5 at 10:30am - Centering Prayer** - In person at Inlet United at The Springs meeting room.

**Monday, October 5 - Healing Pathway** - Sessions are booked in advance for 1:15pm or 2pm. To book a session, please email [healingpathway@inletunited.ca](mailto:healingpathway@inletunited.ca) or contact the office at 604-939-5513.

**Monday, October 5 - Inlet Book Club Fall Edition with Rev. Jenn - 7pm to 8:15pm-ish on Zoom.** For further details contact Rev. Jenn at [revjenn@inletunited.ca](mailto:revjenn@inletunited.ca)

**Wednesday, October 7 at 9:15am** - Chair Yoga at IUC at The Springs from 9:15am to 10:15am. This session is currently full. Please contact the church office to be placed on a waitlist.

**Wednesday, October 7 from 7pm to 8:30pm** - Inlet Sings! Choir rehearsal at Inlet United at The Springs. Childminding available upon request! More details in this newsletter.



## Creation Prayer:

Faithful Creator, you made the creatures of the earth and called them good — the warm-eyed dog, the purring cat, the horse in the field, the bird at the feeder, the fish in the stream. We thank you for the animals who share our homes and our lives, for their loyalty, their playfulness, their quiet comfort, and for the way they teach us to receive love without conditions. Bless them. Bless the hands that feed and care for them. And bless us with hearts as wide as yours — that we may honour all your creatures, great and small, as fellow bearers of your good and living world. In the name of the Christ who calmed the storm and walked among your creation, we pray. Amen.

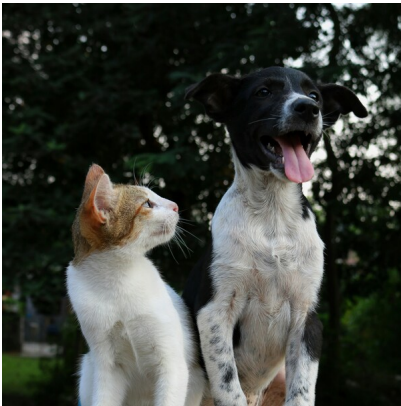


## We need your help!

We need some hands to help **put the stage back up** THIS Sunday before church (between 9am to 9:15am).

If you can help to transform our space, please JUST show up!

Thank you in advance!



## Blessing of the Pets Ceremony!

**Sunday, October 4 | During our regular worship service  
Inlet United Church at the Springs, Port Moody**

Bring your four-legged (and two-legged!) family members for a special **Blessing of the Pets** ceremony! Whether you have a dog, cat, bird, bunny, or even a beloved stuffed animal, all creatures great and small are welcome to receive a blessing and celebrate the joy our animal companions bring to our lives.

### A few friendly reminders:

- Pets should be on a leash or in their crate during the worship service for everyone's safety and comfort
- Bring water and any comfort items your pet might need
- We can't wait to meet your furry, feathered, and scaled friends!

**Start planning your pet's Sunday best!**

## Stewardship Message

### Inlet United Church Planned Giving program:

Give to the future by planning in the present. That's what planned giving is all about.

**For further information on remembering Inlet United Church in your will, please contact the Stewardship Ministry; Fran, Cathy A., Julie A., Marta P., Betty.**



## Next Experience: Thursday, October 22

Join us at 7pm at our Ioco Heritage Church, 1790 Ioco Rd, Port Moody.

The Worship Team presiding and along with Guest Musician, Dr. Bruce Harding.



## You are invited!

**Groovy Gathering: An All Ages Dance Party for 1946 Babies (and Everyone Who Loves Them!)**

Turn back the clock and shake a leg to hits from the '60s, '70s, '80s, and beyond.

**Date:** Saturday, October 24

**Time:** 2pm to 4pm

**Location:** Inlet United Church at the Springs

**Attire:** 1960s chic or funky vintage flair

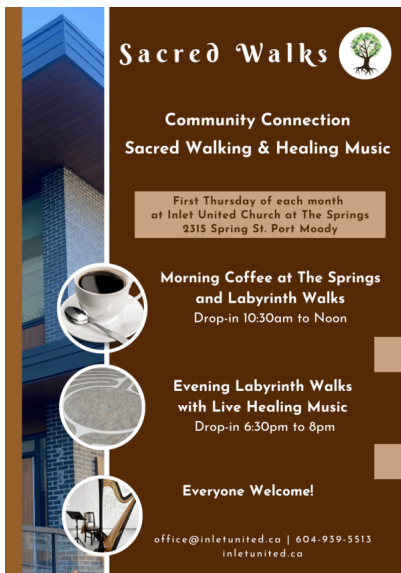
**Cost:** \$5 at the door

Snacks and cold non-alcoholic drinks will be available at our concession stand.

Whether you were born in '46 or just love the vibe, bring your friends and family for an afternoon of fun and music.

For more information visit:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdER1LUzybckmBUrQCWej3m-dNlbfY\\_EBE89tkpeohfZfPhnA/viewform?usp=publish-editor](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdER1LUzybckmBUrQCWej3m-dNlbfY_EBE89tkpeohfZfPhnA/viewform?usp=publish-editor)



## Next Drop in Thursday, November 5th

With Guest Musician, Shalom Wiebe, therapeutic harpist

For more information visit:

<https://www.shalomwiebe.ca/about-shalom>



## Next Gathering: Thursday, November 5th

Join Emma for Neighbourhood Table on Thursday, November 5th from 5:30pm to 7pm in the Multipurpose room (Sanctuary level) at Inlet United at The Springs. And stop into the sanctuary for an evening labyrinth walk with healing music, starting at 6:30pm.

For more information, please contact Emma at [emma@inletunited.ca](mailto:emma@inletunited.ca)

For more information visit:

<https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/11513054>



## Inlet Sings! at The Springs

For more details contact Music Director, Scott Gould at [scott@scottgould.ca](mailto:scott@scottgould.ca)



## CONNECTING NEIGHBOURS THROUGH ENGAGING ACTIVITIES!



## TREE TOURS & WALKS

## Last Tree Tour for 2026

**Sunday, October 18 from 1pm to 3pm**

Serenity Gardens, by the Henry Esson Young Building

### Event Details

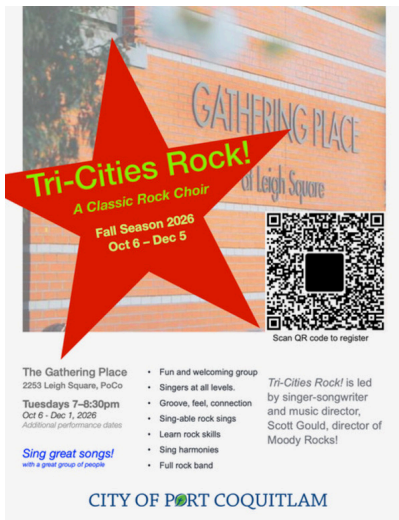
Please check our website and social media (Facebook and Instagram) for any last-minute changes, due to unforeseen circumstances.

Come out and enjoy the sumiqwuelu/Riverview Lands.

We will be meeting at Serenity Gardens, by the Henry Esson Young Building (HEY) which is located approximately in the centre of the Riverview grounds.

For more information visit:

<https://rhcs.org/tree-tours>



## Fall Registration Open!



## Our Region and Across the Globe



## First Third Ministry: Intercultural Family Retreat

This event supports racialized, indigenous, and equity denied families across the many diasporic communities of faith within The United Church of Canada. It will incorporate anti-racism, cultural sharing and have a relational focus.

**We are excited to welcome you for Joy-filled time away at an Intercultural Christian retreat that delights in families of all makes, shapes, and sizes!**

For more information visit:

<https://www.firstthirdministry.ca/interculturalpmr.html>

You are invited!



## Lay Leadership Zoom Conversation

Lay Leaders from across the Pacific Mountain Region are warmly invited to a 90-minute Zoom conversation on **Tuesday, October 20 at 7:00pm PST.**

This is a conversation, for sharing, listening, and mutual encouragement. Whether your volunteer role is visible or behind the scenes, your voice and experience are welcome.

Blessings,  
Lay Leadership Support Team

For more information visit:  
<https://form.jotform.com/262295252029962>



## Inlet United Volunteers needed!

Rev. Jenn requires 2 or 3 volunteers to assist at this event.

Assistance with greeting and communion.

If you are able to help, please email Rev. Jenn directly at [revjenn@inletunited.ca](mailto:revjenn@inletunited.ca)

## Healing Pathway Phase 1 Workshop

For registration and inquiries, please contact Jackie Cox-Ziegler:  
[healingpathway@jamesbayunited.com](mailto:healingpathway@jamesbayunited.com)

#### HEALING PATHWAY PHASE 1 WORKSHOP



### Introduction to the Healing Pathway

#### *An Experiential Spiritual Practice*

Learning to be a healing presence

Intro to basic concepts of healing hands

November 27-28, 2026

Friday: 8:30 – 5:00 pm, Saturday: 9:00 – 5:00 pm

James Bay United Church, 511 Michigan Street  
Victoria, B.C.

Instructors: Jannice Foreman & Deb Firus

This workshop is an opportunity to:

- Share and receive energy sessions
- Learn specific self-care practices
- Be a part of a caring healing community
- Connect into and experience heart-centred energy

*There are registration and information brochures available on the bulletin board in the front office reception.*

Inquiries: Jackie Cox-Ziegler: [healingpathway@jamesbayunited.com](mailto:healingpathway@jamesbayunited.com)

## The Pacific Mountain Region

And World Council of Churches

### **Pacific Mountain Region**

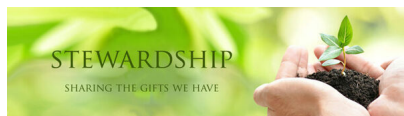
For current events and news, please visit the **Pacific Mountain Region** website.

### **Pacific Mountain Region Indigenous Ministry**

For current events and news, visit PMR Indigenous Ministry - **click here!**

### **The World Council of Churches**

Please visit the **World Council of Churches** website for the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle prayers for the current week.



# Financial Offerings

The ministry of Inlet United Church relies heavily on donations from you to keep the ministry operational. Your financial offering is a faith response and a symbol of stewardship. We use these donations to do the work of Jesus both here in this community and far beyond our own walls.

**There are 4 easy ways to donate (tax receipts issued at end of year):**

1) Interac e-transfer through your bank or credit union. Interac e-transfers should be sent to **donations@inletunited.ca**.

2) PAR (automatic monthly donations through your bank). Please reach out to Marcia Carmichael or the office via phone or email to set this up. \*\*Note - If you would like to increase your monthly PAR offerings, please contact Marcia to arrange this.\*\*

3) Donate via credit card on our website – **www.inletunited.ca** – using the “Give” option (select "Local Offerings/General" from the "To" drop down)

4) Send a cheque made out to Inlet United Church to the office. Remember to include your envelope/donor number if you have one.

**If you are attending in person, you may donate via our wooden offering box on Sundays in the sanctuary. Please write your name, contact information and/or envelope number on the envelope if you would like your donation to be added to your annual tax receipt.**

**We thank you again for your generosity and your support!**

For more information visit:  
<https://www.inletunited.ca/give>



# Inlet United Church Contact Information

Get in Touch!

**Office Hours: Monday - Friday from 9:30am - 3:30pm**

## **EMAIL:**

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Music Director - Scott Gould | [scott@scottgould.ca](mailto:scott@scottgould.ca)

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## Newsletter Submissions

Your submissions are welcome!

### **HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR POST**

Please submit posts to [office@inletunited.ca](mailto:office@inletunited.ca).

**Submission deadline:** End of day Wednesday each week.

The newsletter features Inlet United Church and related community posts.  
Please include your event or news information and a photo if you like.

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to remove or not include submissions.*

Thank you!