

Oak Bay United Church, Victoria BC

Announcements for the Week of August 13th, 2017

To submit an item, please email it to admin@oakbayunitedchurch.ca

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

WE ARE SAD TO SHARE that Beth Bourke's mother passed away last Sunday. Beth and daughter Kristen were with her as she died, which was a comfort. A memorial service will likely be held August 19th in Ontario. Please keep Beth and Dave, Kristen, and Beth's brother Donald in your prayers.

WE ARE HAPPY TO WELCOME the Revs. Harvey and Helen Waddell to lead worship this morning. Thank you for your leadership and your gifts!

REV MICHELLE is on holidays until Thursday, August 24. For urgent pastoral care needs, please call Rev. Helen Waddell at 250-592-4024.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: Wednesdays to Fridays (inclusive), from 9 am to 3 pm.

SUMMER COFFEE DROP-IN will continue every Wednesday from 10:30 – 11:30 am. Bring yourself and goodies to share for good conversation and catching up from your holidays!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AUGUST 20, 2017: A congregational meeting will be held following worship on August 20th. The purpose of this meeting is to give approval for financing for the initial planning phase for building affordable rental housing. More financial details will be given before any voting occurs. In the meantime, if you're getting questions from neighbours and other community members, you can explain the following:

1. We have been serving this community for over 100 years and we want to continue providing both church and broader community services.
2. We are financially challenged and all of the services we provide in the community are at risk.
3. Providing lower cost rental housing for seniors and people who work in our community is something that is definitely needed and supports our values.

Thanks, from the board.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY

UPDATE: Summer Baby and Toddler Yoga with Tressa – has been cancelled due to low registration (just 1 keen family ☺). Look for more kidfam♥yogajam in the fall!



Floor Hockey
6-9pm Friday Nights
August 4, 11, 18 and 25
for youth 10-16
@ Oak Bay United in the Hall

Talk to Zach, Youth Minister, for more info: youthministry@oakbayunitedchurch.ca

ADVANCE NOTICE: The amazing Cathy Cryder, Children & Family Minister at Dunbar Ryerson United Church in Vancouver, is coming to Oak Bay United on **SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23rd** to lead a special **DOOR PERSON TRAINING MORNING**. What's a door person?! In Godly Play, our children's ministry curriculum, 'door person' is the special role of intentionally greeting each child, one at a time, as they come into the program space. The door person also 'holds' a prayerful presence for the all the people in Godly Play during the program – for the participants (children), and the story teller (adult). A door person can also be a Greeter! When people first arrive to Oak Bay United on Sunday morning for Worship & Song, the Greeter's welcome to the space and the attentive presence during worship, helps all to feel that their presence makes a difference. **This is a FREE workshop for anyone from Oak Bay United** who would like to attend – children's church leaders, greeters & hospitality team members, board members, thrift community volunteers, and \$25 for those outside of the Oak Bay United congregation. Please sign up in the church office, or with Tressa
lovemakesafamily@oakbayunitedchurch.ca

GRANNY SUITE wanted! - "My mom is coming to Victoria in November for up to 6 months to help us take care of Maggie when I start working again. We are looking for a 1 bedroom rental for her in Oak Bay/Fairfield or Jubilee area starting Nov 1st. If you have any leads, please let me know!" ~ Anne Nguyen

A ROBERT BATEMAN CENTRE EXHIBIT: The Resilience of the People

A visual history of the traditional territory of the Lekwungen/Songhees People is at Oak Bay Municipal Hall August 1-31st.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION

LEARN TO MEDITATE: Mondays and Thursdays, 4:30 – 5:15 pm, UVIC Interfaith Chapel. Everyone welcome! Free! Drop in! Offered by Henri Lock, United Church Chaplain, and the UVIC Meditation Club. For more info: hlock@uvic.ca/250-472-4159

ADVANCE NOTICE of Healing Pathway Phase 1 – Introduction to Energy Healing. Held Oct 13 (6-9pm), Oct 14 (9am-5pm), Oct 15 (12-5pm) at Oak Bay United Church. Instructors: Lorraine Struyk and Jannice Foreman. More information is on the Healing Pathways website: <https://hpvictoria.wordpress.com/> or speak with Debra Kinsinger, Jim Fisk or Rev. Michelle.

This Week in the Church Building

MONDAY, August 14th
No events

TUESDAY, August 15th
9:00 Memory Plus*

WEDNESDAY, August 16th
10:30 am – coffee/tea drop-in
8:00 pm - Corpus Veritas AA Meeting*

THURSDAY, August 17th
No events

FRIDAY, August 18th
Noon - AA Oak Bay Recovery*
6:00 pm – Youth Group Floor Hockey!

SATURDAY, August 19th
10:00 am – Chemainus Theatre trip

SUNDAY, August 20th
10:00 am –Worship led by Rev. Julianne Kasmer (Our Place Society chaplain), Gordon Miller, and Zach Burrill

Scripture Readings for August 20th:
Genesis 45:1-1; Psalm 133; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:10-28

** church rental group*