

Oak Bay United Church, Victoria BC
Announcements for the Week of October 8, 2017

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

JOB POSTING: Cathy McAuley and the M&P Committee, have posted the updated Office Administrator Job Posting. The Office Admin role at Oak Bay United is fast-paced work that requires professional skills, proven success in Communications, a knack for desktop publishing, and a pro-active approach to the position's responsibilities - all within the progressive, affirming Christian context that is Oak Bay United. If you know the ideal candidate for us, please let us know! Contact Cathy at ministryandpersonnel@oakbayunitedchurch.ca

HOLY HALLOWE'EN NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTY.

Where does your soul yearn to haunt, I mean - HELP?! Holy Helpers Needed for our Annual Neighbourhood Halloween Party! Supply Gathering, Set Up Before the Party; Hosting a Station at the Party. Please email Tressa, leave a note with Julia at the church office, or add your name to the Halloween Party Board in the Community Hall. **Holy Hallowe'en Neighbourhood Party Date is Saturday October 28, 2017. 6-7:30pm in the Community Hall. Everyone is welcome to help and attend!**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY

POINT OF GRACE: Drop-in Toddler Play and Sacred Circle at Oak Bay United

Tuesdays, 9:30 - 11 am at Oak Bay United Church

For babies to Preschoolers and their Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Caregivers. Everyone is welcome. lovemakesafamily@oakbayunitedchurch.ca

FAMILY YOGA WITH A BEDTIME VIBE at Oak Bay United is paused for Thanksgiving Monday, and resumes on Monday Oct 16th.

PRAYER AND MUSIC IN THE STYLE OF TAIZE at FIRSTMETROPOLITAN. We are all searching for and trying to find moments to 'Pause' and 'Take a deep breath' in our busy full lives. Prayer and Music in the Style of Taize provides a beautiful candlelit, music filled hour to do just that. Please come and join us. Friday, Oct 20th and Nov 17th, 6-7 pm. First Metropolitan United Church 932 Balmoral Rd. at Quadra St.

2 SPECTRUM FELLOWSHIP FOR SPIRITUAL FAITH BASED LGBTQ FOLK. Potluck & Conversation, 4:30 pm, Sunday Oct. 29, Shady Creek United Church, 7180 East Saanich Rd. For details: QVC@shaw.ca or 250-652-2713.

TAKE A BIBLICAL JOURNEY: Imagine walking in the land of Jesus, Mary, Sarah and Abraham. Look down from the Mt. of Beatitudes onto the Sea of Galilee, experience the bustle of the market in Old Jerusalem. Every day brings another memorable experience. Join Keith Howard and Gaye Sharpe on this once in a lifetime, comprehensive tour of the Holy Land, from April 11-26, 2018. Brochures are available at the church office or online at <http://bit.ly/2gKXX56> More complete information at: <https://christianjourneys.com/destinations/israel-2/>

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVING GOD'S WORLD

BILLETS NEEDED: Oak Bay United Church is hosting a Healing Pathway course on October 13 to 15th (next weekend). There are a few out-of-town people who would appreciate being billeted for Friday and Saturday nights. If you can offer a place, please contact Jim Fisk, Deborah Kinsinger or the office.

OUR PLACE SOCIETY'S Project Connect is looking to fill 800 back packs for the homeless on October 13th. If you are interested in forming a donation committee or just donating, please contact Tracey Campbell TracC@ourplace or by phone at 250-388-7112 ext. 2

TAKE 5 MINUTES TO HELP OUR PLACE SOCIETY WIN \$50,000

Our Place Society is fundraising for the new Empowering Employment Program to support homeless adults to get meaningful employment and escape poverty. Part of that fundraising is entering a national voting competition, and we need your vote to support the program. Learn more and vote online at www.avivacommunityfund.org (search for Our Place) between October 10th – 19th.

THE MUSTARD SEED Pie Off Challenge returns from now until October 31st, and we need your help to reach our ambitious goal of raising \$100,000 and 100,000 lbs of food to support our Food Security ministry and keep our shelves stocked for the winter months. Contact mustardseed.ca or call 250-953-1575.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION

HEALING PATHWAY workshop: 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 Pathway website: <https://hpvictoria.wordpress.com/> or speak with Debra Kinsinger, Jim Fisk or Rev. Michelle.

EARTH'S IMAGINATION WITH GERTIE JOCKSCH: In the series Earth's Imagination, cosmologist Brian Swimme places the human psyche within the fifteen-billion-year cosmic process in order to highlight the directions in which human consciousness is evolving today and into the future. With a remarkable ability to make contemporary scientific findings accessible and engaging, Swimme relates the history of the Universe to the modern human. Please do not let the cost deter your attending, ask us about our scholarship. Friends Meeting House, 1831 Fern St, Victoria. Register: Programs@earthliteracies.org or 250-220-4601 www.earthliteracies.org

This Week in the Church Building

MONDAY, October 9th

7:00 pm - SingYourJoy Young Adult Chorus

No Family Yoga on Thanksgiving Monday, Oct. 8th

TUESDAY, October 10th

9:30 am - Memory Plus*

9:30 am - Point of Grace Play Group

7:00 pm - Victoria Choral Society*

WEDNESDAY, October 11th

9:00 am - Thrift/Annex sorting

7:00 pm - Disciple Bible Study

8:00 pm - Corpus Veritas AA Meeting*

THURSDAY, October 12th

1:30 pm - Seniors Tea

7:00 pm - Worship Choir Practice

FRIDAY, October 13th

10:00 am - Thrift/Annex sale

11:00 am - AA Oak Bay Recovery*

5:00 pm - Healing Pathway

6:00 pm - Youth Group

SATURDAY, October 14th

9:00 am - Healing Pathway (all day)

SUNDAY, October 15th

10:00 am - Worship led by Rev.

Michelle, Amy Van Wensem,

Tressa Brotsky, and Zach Burrill

11:45 am - Ministry Teams lunch gathering

Scripture Readings: Oct 22nd

1. Exodus 33:12-23
2. Psalm 99
3. Thessalonians 1:1-10
4. Matthew 22:15-22

* church rental group