

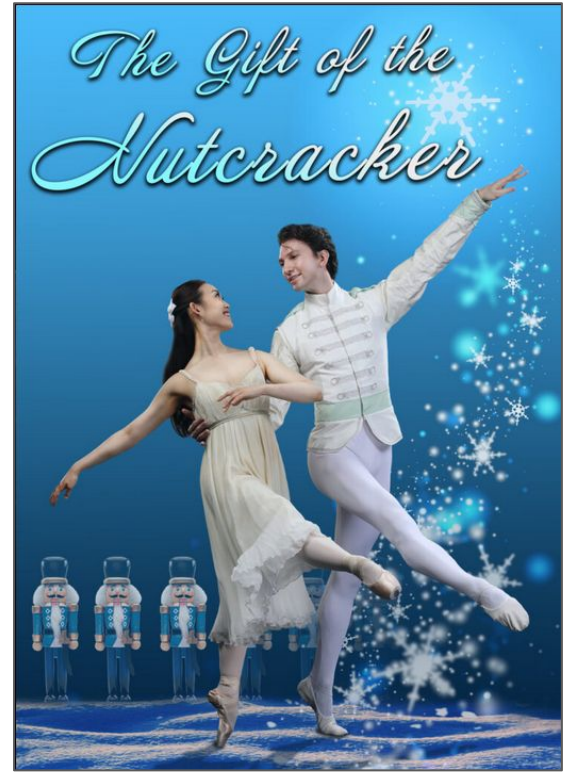
This Week At St. Andrew's

A Big Thank You!

The planning committee for our Building Community Together Event on November 19th wants to thank all of you who made this a huge success. Some of you spent many hours making sure all was ready for the day and others came to help on Saturday, wearing many hats and helping wherever needed. It was great to see all our tickets sold. Those who were able to attend enjoyed a delicious luncheon tea with friends and families and a wonderful ballet performance from the "Nutcracker".

We are all very grateful to Ballet Victoria for donating their talents to our event. If you would like to see the entire performance of the "Gift of the Nutcracker" check out Ballet Victoria's website for tickets at www.balletvictoria.ca. (There are still some 2 for 1 ticket vouchers in the church office should you be interested.)

We share God's love as we work together and we look forward to future opportunities to work within St. Andrew's, and to partner with others.



THE GIFT OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF TRUMPET, PIANO, HARP, FLUTE, CAROL SINGING, AND ORGAN MUSIC!

15 DECEMBER
12:00 - 1:15 PM

ENTRANCE BY DONATION

EVERYONE WELCOME

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ON THE CORNER OF DOUGLAS AND BROUGHTON
PARKING AT LIBRARY PARKADE
DOUGLAS DOORS OPEN AT 11:30AM
ACCESSIBILITY ENTRANCE ON BROUGHTON

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
778-587-1227

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE IN THE HEART OF VICTORIA B.C. SINCE 1866

SEASONAL CLASSICS

CELLISTS FROM THE UVIC STUDIO OF PAM HIGGABAUGH-ALONI AND THE LEAD CELLIST IN THE LAFAYETTE QUARTET WILL PERFORM CLASSICAL AND SEASONAL SELECTIONS. CELLISTS WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY UVIC SCHOOL OF MUSIC PIANISTS.

December 11 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
Douglas Street Entrance Main
Broughton Street Accessibility Entrance
Parking at Library Parkade
Doors at 1:30pm / Concert at 2:00pm
Donation Boxes

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE
PHONE: 778-587-1227
EMAIL: OFFICE@STANDREWSVICTORIA.CA

VICTORIA FOUNDATION **ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** **UVIC music**

Share the Joy of Christmas

Seven Christmas hampers for needy families so far!

Donations for this year's Share the Joy of Christmas Campaign have amounted to \$1245 as of November 20th. This is enough to provide seven Christmas hampers, put together by the Mustard Seed Church.

St. Andrew's congregation and adherents contribute to our Share the Joy of Christmas program each year to provide a brighter Christmas for those who are struggling financially in Greater Victoria. Our goal in 2022 is to give hampers to fifteen needy families (approximately 60 persons). We have almost reached half of our goal...way to go, St. Andrew's!

Next Sunday, there will be 7 baskets on our small white tree in the sanctuary which is our visual reminder about this year's Share the Joy campaign.

If you want to help to bring comfort and joy to others in Victoria this Christmas, donate what you can afford through your church envelopes or follow the instructions under the Donate tab on St. Andrew's website, www.standrewsvictoria.ca. Remember to indicate that your donation is for *Share the Joy of Christmas*.

If you have any questions about our Share the Joy of Christmas campaign, please call Debra Verwey at 250-383-1009.

What Are We Waiting For?

The Rev. Dr. Bob Faris, Moderator of the 2022 General Assembly, has teamed up with Anglican, Evangelical Lutheran and United Church leaders to prepare What Are We Waiting For?—an ecumenical Advent program.

Every Monday during Advent, the national church leaders will release an ecumenical Advent meditation that reflects on the Advent themes of hope, peace, joy and love, and addresses the challenges that Canadian churches face today. In addition, a live discussion with one of the participating church leaders will take place every Thursday during Advent via Zoom. All are invited to join. For more information go to:

<https://presbyterian.ca/2022/11/08/ecumenical-advent/>

HELP FEED HUNGRY FAMILIES IN VICTORIA

SHARE THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

A DONATION OF \$170 PROVIDES A CHRISTMAS HAMPER FOR A FAMILY OF FOUR!



DONATE AT:
WWW.STANDREWSVICTORIA.CA

FOR MORE INFO CALL DEB VERWEY AT:
250-383-1009



Signs of the Times
God's Love Includes Everyone

Finding the Good Path
The Cost of Discipleship

What are we waiting for?

EVERY MONDAY DURING ADVENT, church leaders of The Anglican Church of Canada, The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, The Presbyterian Church in Canada and The United Church of Canada will release an ecumenical Advent meditation reflecting on the four themes of hope, peace, joy and love, and addressing challenges facing Canadian churches.

EVERY THURSDAY DURING ADVENT, listen to a live discussion on each week's Advent theme and ask questions during the online Zoom conversation.

To receive the meeting link and email reminders, visit Advent2022.ca

Sing Christmas Carols with us and CBC for "OUR PLACE"



Join us at OUR PLACE starting now to practise Christmas carols for the CBC presentation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" on Dec. 9th, 2022. (A live, public show featuring CBC personalities - to raise funds for care the Our Place Society provides for the homeless.)

Weekly singing sessions are FREE and are 12:15-1:00 p.m., Tuesdays in the Multi-Purpose Spiritual Care Room, upstairs in the Our Place Community Centre (919 Pandora Ave).

No previous performing experience required, but regular participation is needed if you decide to be in the show.

For more information email: westcoastreach@gmail.com
tel. 250-882-4339, or just come and try a session!



CBC Radio & Our Place present
A dramatic reading of Charles Dickens' Classic Tale

A Christmas Carol

Friday, Dec. 9, 2022

7:00pm Live Event

First Met United Church

932 Balmoral Rd, Victoria

Tickets: \$15.00 individual
\$35.00 family
\$15.00 virtual link

Feel the Christmas Spirit and give back
in service to our community

Buy tickets: ourplacesociety.com/christmascarol

Featuring CBC Personalities & Special Guests, including:



Bob McDonald

Gregor Craigie

Liz McArthur

Rohit Joseph

Kathryn Marlow

We are excited to announce that Jack Knox of the Times Colonist and Joe Perkins of CHEK TV will be our guest celebrity readers!
Also featuring the music of the West Coast Reach Choir

All proceeds to benefit Our Place Society



Be amazed. Be inspired.

We Are One! 2022

An outstanding live show for HUMAN SOLIDARITY DAY
and the INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

2:00 p.m. Sat. Dec. 3rd, 2022

First Metropolitan United Church, Victoria

ALVIN "TOES" LAW



Internationally
acclaimed
motivational
speaker,
musician
and author

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Emmy Award
winning
composer
and virtuoso
flamenco
guitarist

MC: ED BAIN
(CHEK TV, "Q" FM)

MIGUELITO VALDES



Legendary
Cuban jazz
trumpet
player

REACH!



Celebrating
diversity and
inclusion
through the
performing
arts

PLUS: Diverse-City Singers / Karen Lee White / Eryn Sharpe / Shan-e-Punjab Dancers

TICKETS just \$20 in advance on Eventbrite:

<https://we-are-one-2022.eventbrite.ca>
or call 250-889-0871 or 250-882-4339

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Hope and Belonging



Coldest Night of the Year 2023

SAVE THE DATES:

WALKATHON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

REGISTRATION BEGINS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

The Coldest Night of the Year is a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for local charities serving people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness. This year, Our Place Society and Pacific Centre Family Services Association are hosting in-person events.

Sign up a team, promote the walk, donate and step up for your neighbours in need. For more info, call 250-940-5064 or go to our website.

www.ourplacesociety.com

THE VICTORIA SCOTTISH
GAELIC CHOIR PRESENTS

The
Cantie Yule
CONCERT

TICKETS \$10 AT THE DOOR

*Join us for an cheerful afternoon of familiar carols,
traditional Gaelic tunes, and Scottish Christmas music!
Light refreshments to follow. Masks are encouraged.*

TIME	DATE	LOCATION
Doors at 2:00 pm Concert at 2:30 pm	Sunday December 4th	Trinity Presbyterian 2964 Tillicum Rd

PLEASE EMAIL TO RESERVE YOUR TICKETS
vicgaelicchoir@gmail.com

THE VICTORIA SCOTTISH GAELIC CHOIR & ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESENTS

THE RABBIE BURNS TEA

*Celebrate Scotland's Bard with an afternoon
of tea and entertainment!*

ENTRANCE BY DONATION
Limited Seating Available
Please RSVP with the Church Office at
778-587-1227

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2023 AT 2:00PM
ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
KIRK HALL | 680 COURTNEY STREET ENTRANCE

Bulletin Board

The Link: Deadline for submissions in November 27th. Contact Leona at thelink@standrewsvictoria.ca.

Share the Joy of Christmas: Please help us bring joy and comfort this holiday season. Our goal for 2022 is 15 hampers...each one costs \$170, enough for a family of 4. Donate what you can afford through your church envelopes or follow the instructions under the Donate tab on St. Andrew's website, standrewsvictoria.ca.

The Gift of Christmas Music: December 15th, Douglas street doors open at 11:30am, concert from 12 - 1:15 pm. Join us for an afternoon listening to piano, trumpet, violin, flute, organ, and carol singing! Entrance by donation - everyone is welcome! For more information call 778-587-1227.

Seasonal Classics: Cellists from the UVIC Studio of Pam Highbaugh-Aloni and the lead cellist in the Lafayette Quartet will perform classical and seasonal selections. Cellists will be accompanied by UVIC School of Music pianists. December 11 at 2:00pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Douglas Street entrance.

In the Salon of Mme Brillon Concert: The Early Music Society presents In the Salon of Mme Brillon at St. Andrew's Church on January 7th at 8:00 pm. For tickets go to earlymusicsocietyoftheislands.ca

The Rabbie Burns Tea: Join us for an afternoon celebrating the Great Bard with tea and Scottish entertainment. St. Andrew's Kirk Hall, January 22 2023, door at 2:00, entrance by donation. Limited seating - please RSVP with the church office!