## THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

**ISSUE #182** 

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2023** 

# WORSHIP SERVICES SHARED WITH KNOX AND TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES WHILE PASTOR MITCH COGGIN IS ON MEDICAL LEAVE

Sunday, October 1, 2023, <u>10:00 am</u> – Communion Sunday

## At Knox Presbyterian Church, 2964 Richmond Road, Victoria, BC

Worshiping with our Sister Churches – Knox and Trinity
Knox YouTube Channel

Quiet Meditation and Music at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 10:00-11:45

Sunday, October 8, 2023, 10:30 am – Thanksgiving Sunday

## At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 924 Douglas Street, Victoria BC

Worshiping with our Sister Churches – Knox and Trinity

Sunday, October 15, 2023, 10:30 am

At Trinity Presbyterian Church, 2964 Tillicum Road,

Victoria, BC

Worshiping with our Sister Churches – Knox and Trinity

<u>Click here to access YouTube Channel</u> *Quiet Meditation and Music at St. Andrew's* 

Presbyterian Church 10:00-11:45

## SHUTTLE SERVICE FROM ST. ANDREW'S TO KNOX AND TRINITY CHURCHES:

For the two Sundays when St. Andrew's will be worshiping at Knox and Trinity, a Shuttle Service will be available from St. Andrew's:

- to Knox @ 9:30 am on Sunday, October 1st and return to the Church after Coffee Hour
- to Trinity @ 10:00 am on Sunday, October 15th and return to the Church after Coffee Hour
- Vehicles will leave from the Douglas Street Church entrance.

If you require this Shuttle Service, please call or email the Shannon Cummings at the Church Office at 250-384.5734 or office@standrewsvictoria.ca

 By Thursday, September 28th for the Knox Service on Sunday, October 1st  By Thursday, October 12th for the Trinity Service on Sunday, October 15th

We will need volunteer drivers for these two Sunday's. Please leave your name at our Church Office via phone or email as soon as possible.

WORSHIP SERVICES REGULAR
FOR ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WHILE PASTOR MITCH COGGIN IS ON MEDICAL LEAVE
SEPTEMBER 17 TO OCTOBER 29, 2023

Sunday, September 17, 2023, 10:30 am
At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 924 Douglas
Street, Victoria, BC
Reverend Wayne Stretch, Interim Moderator

Sunday, September 24, 2023, 10:30 am
At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 924 Douglas
Street, Victoria, BC
Reverend Wayne Stretch, Interim Moderator

Sunday, October 22, 2023, 10:30 am
At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 924 Douglas
Street, Victoria, BC
Reverend Wayne Stretch, Interim Moderator

Sunday, October 29, 2023, 10:30 am
At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 924 Douglas
Street, Victoria, BC
Reverend Wayne Stretch, Interim Moderator

- \*\* The Congregation may seek pastoral care during Pastor Mitch's leave, as required, by any of the following methods:
  - Contact the Church Office (Monday to Thursday 9:00 am – 2:30 pm) 250-384-5734
  - Contact an Elder
  - Contact Interim Moderator Rev. Wayne Stretch at 250-592-4079 or waynestretch@telus.net

### **Anti-Trans Counter-protest**

September 20, 2023

BC Legislature, 501 Belleville Street

**Trans Rights are Human Rights** 

Sign making 3:00pm to 3:30pm

Counter-protest 3:30pm to 5:30pm



### ANTI-TRANS COUNTER-PROTEST

The Presbyterian Church in Canada affirms that all people whatever their sexual orientation or gender identity are equally beloved by God.

A Canada-wide march on every Legislature across the country is planned for next week in which anti-trans protesters will call upon provincial governments to impose anti-trans laws. The march is called The Million Person March. A counter protest is taking place at the same time as the anti-trans protest and they will be showing up to try and get more supports from the government and health care system that will aid trans folks mental and physical well-being.

Prior to the protest there will be a half-hour of time dedicated to making protest signs at the Legislature. All are welcome. There will designated people to be there as de-escalators to ensure the safety of all counter protesters.

The Earlu Music Societu of the Islands Presents





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Return of the international award-winning ensemble, Duo Corvi, to the EMSI stage, with Occitan and Galician music from the 13th Century.

SEPT. 29 ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 7:30 - 9:00 PM 924 DOUGLAS STREET



# **TOGETHER** IN MOTION

#### WE'RE FUNDRAISING FOR THE JOURNEY FOR HOPE

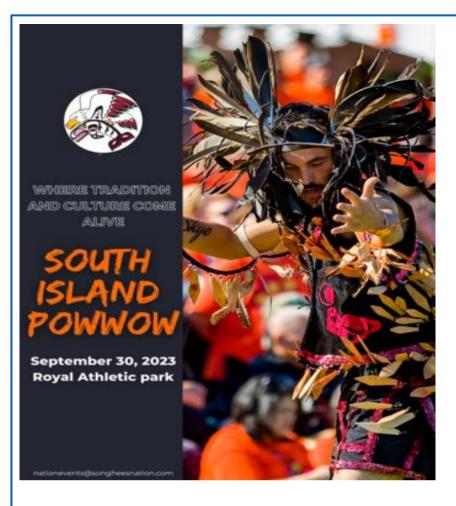
JOIN US: SATURDAY 30 SEPTEMBER, 2023 DONATE NOW:

https://presbyterian.ca/pwsd/toge ther-in-motion

#### WALK, BIKE, DONATE, OR CHEERLEAD!

LAURA KAVANAGH --

RUTH MCCOWAN ----- pzoom@shaw.ca



### **ORANGE SHIRT DAY**

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is held annually on September 30th. The day honours the children who never returned home and survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process.

This federal statutory holiday was created through legislative amendments made by Parliament. Both the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day take place on September 30. Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous-led grassroots commemorative day intended to raise awareness of family and the individual, community intergenerational impacts of residential schools, and to promote the concept of "Every Child Matters". The orange shirt is a symbol of the stripping away of culture, freedom and self-esteem experienced by Indigenous children over generations.

## SHARED WORSHIP SERVICE SHUTTLE SERVICE

For Sunday October 1 & 15

Do you need a ride to one of our sister churches?

Can you volunteer to be a shuttle driver?

Please contact Shannon at the church office ASAP!

office@standrewsvictoria.ca or 250-3884-5734.



# INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE OLDER PERSON

October 1 is the International Day of the Older Person.. It is a catalyst for people coming together to overcome misconceptions about older persons and aging and has ushered in new policies that benefit seniors across the world.

Seniors make important contributions to their families, their communities, the economy, and the province. Older people who stay healthy, active and independent can continue to contribute their skills, knowledge, and experience to society.

Here in Greater Victoria, the Community Response Networks in the Westshore, Saanich Peninsula, Gulf Islands and Victoria are coming together to bring free events for seniors during the first week of October.

These events range from a online presentation on how to keep our seniors safe to an art pop-up event, music and movies, and of course eating! All seniors are invited to participate in any or all activities. They are free of charge, with the exception of Hermanns Jazz Club tickets.

Showing your respect and gratitude to the older adults in your life is simple - from taking time to say hello, making some small talk with a senior in a line up or dropping off a box of Timbits to your local seniors' centre. Take the time to make a connection with a senior person in your life!

### View a copy of the calendar of events <u>here</u>.

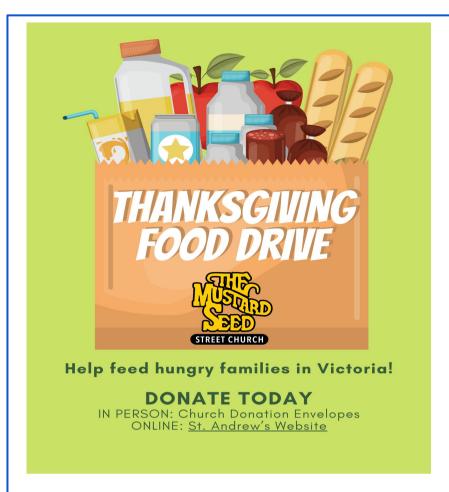
For any questions regarding these events, please feel free to contact:

Gabi - 250-896-8577 gabitownsend@gmail.com

Gaylia - 778-214-2026 or westshorecrn@gmail.com





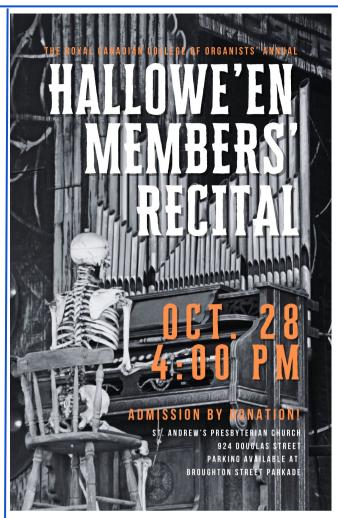


### **MUSTARD SEED FOOD DRIVE**

The Mustard Seed operates the largest food bank on Vancouver Island, situated in Victoria's downtown core. They provide fresh vegetables, dairy, nonperishable food items and hygiene products. We serve 1250+ hampers per month. It is their mission to ensure that anyone in need of food can access the groceries they need without feeling shame, guilt or fear.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church is fundraising through the fall to help the Mustard Seed feed hungry families in Victoria. You can leave a donation in a church donation envelope at Sunday Service, or you can donate online through St. Andrew's HERE.

If you would like to donate food items directly to The Mustard Seed instead, please go <u>HERE</u> to learn more. The Mustard Seed is currently looking for, in particular, non perishable sources of protein, healthy non perishables, menstrual products, toothpaste, and toilet paper.





# ST. ANDREW'S CALENDAR

OPEN CHURCH WED. AT 1:00 PM

MEDITATION HOUR WED. AT 4:30 PM

WORSHIP SERVICE SUN. AT 10:30 AM

DUO CORVI & FRIENDS	September 29 Friday 7:30 - 9:00 pm	The Early Music Society presents Duo Corvi & Friends at St. Andrew's; return of the international award-winning ensemble, Duo Corvi, with Occitan and Galician music from the 13th Century.
JOURNEY FOR HOPE	<b>September 30</b> Saturday	Join, support or cheerlead our very own Victoria Team, 'Together in Motion'! For more information on joining, contact Laura Kavanagh or Ruth McCowan. You can walk 5k or cycle 50k. Go here to donate.
SHARED WORSHIP SERVICE	October 1 Sunday 10:00 am	At Knox Presbyterian Church 2964 Richmond Rd. Worship with our Sister Churches! Quiet Meditation and Music at St. Andrew's at 10:00am. To register for the shuttle service contact the office.
SHARED WORSHIP SERVICE	October 8 Sunday 10:30 am	Thanksgiving Sunday at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 294 Douglas St. Worship with our Sister Churches!
SHARED WORSHIP SERVICE	October 15 Sunday 10:30 am	At Trinity Presbyterian Church 2964 Tillicum Rd. Worship with our Sister Churches! Quiet Meditation and Music at St. Andrew's at 10:00am. To register for the shuttle service contact the office.
TEA FOR TUTU	October 17 - 19 T/W/TH 2:00 pm	Highlights of 'Ballet Rocks' and light refreshments in the Kirk Hall. Reserve your free tickets by calling 250-380-6063 or emailing tea4tutu@balletvictoria.ca
HALLOWE'EN CONCERT	October 28 Saturday 2:00 pm	The Royal Canadian College of Organists brings you a spooky performance just in time for Hallowe'en!
SUNDAY CLASSICAL MUSIC SERIES	October 29 Sunday 2:00 pm	Presented by St. Andrew's Music Outreach, The Victoria Foundation, and Uvic Music. Free admission, donations accepted. Everyone welcome!

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church acknowledges and thanks the ləkwəŋən People – WSÁNEĆ, Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations – on whose traditional land we meet and worship.