



WELCOMES YOU!

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AVCRC exists to reach people, bringing them to a loving relationship with Jesus and membership in the Christian Community; helping them to grow in their faith, guiding them to serve in their gifted ministry, and honouring God with their lives.

Sunday, October 28, 2018

Welcome to worship today! Join the community at God's side – you are not alone. Come experience grace and mercy - you are made new and pure. Be refreshed and commissioned to praise God and serve - your life has meaning.

Songs of Praise: "This is Amazing Grace"
"I sought the Lord"
"Cry of my heart"

Prayer of Confession

Song: "Because He Lives"

Children dismissed for Sunday School

Morning Prayer

Offering (Budget)

Song: "Come as You Are"

Scripture Reading: Mark 10: 46-52 (pg. 981)

Message: "What do you want me to do for you?"

Song: "Give me Faith"

Blessing

Doxology (song of praise): "Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow"

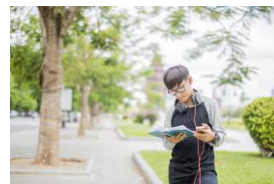
Please Keep These Matters in your Prayers:

-Pray for our sister churches on the Island. Christ Community in Nanaimo celebrated the ordination of their new associate pastor, Rev. Kelly Sexton. Duncan CRC has extended a call to a pastor; we join them in prayers for discernment.

- Pray for growing relationships through "We Love Port Alberni." The Trunk or Treat event happens this afternoon.

-Jake has completed two weeks of radiation treatment. Pray that this is effective. Ria sees limited improvement but continues to live with back and neck pain.

Youth: *All youth (and your friends) in grades 8 -12 are invited!* Watch Facebook and your emails.



Today! Trunk or Treat

Weekly calendar: (Check the website for updates)

Monday: 7:00 pm ~ The Spiritual Workout "Prayer of Lament"

Wednesday: 10 am ~ Coffee Break (ladies) Bible study
No Youth Group Bible Study meeting this week

In the busyness of ministry it's easy to miss opportunities to express appreciation for those who work so hard for God's Kingdom - our pastors and, if they're married, their spouses.

Encouraging and supporting pastors and pastors' spouses is an important part of Pastor Church Resources' work. It's something we do throughout the year.

Typically, October has a special emphasis on pastor appreciation. It doesn't have to be a big thing to be a big deal.



We are compiling our **next years' budget** and any budget requests for 2019 from congregational user groups must be submitted to Admin. **by Wednesday Oct 31 2018.** Contact Jake or John with written requests or numbers will be set by Admin.

Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes are available in the foyer; take one, fill it according to the suggestions with the box and return it to the church by November 18. Thank you everyone for contributing to the Samaritan's Purse. Any questions please contact **Anne.**



We ♥ PA. This awesome outreach right in our own neighbourhood is called **TRUNK or TREAT**, and it's happening today, from 2-3:00 pm!

Missions Trip: Greg will join a missions trip to Kenya and other countries in the region from November 1 - December 15. Pray that God will bless this work.

Greg is looking to fill the rest of his suitcase with lightly used children's clothing, especially footwear, namely, Crocs. He will gladly accept cash donations to buy food staples for the neediest of families.



"I AM NOT MY OWN" CONCERT with Jeremiah Benjamin!

Tonight: 6:30 pm at Duncan Christian Reformed Church, 930 Trunk Road. A free will offering will be taken in support of World Renew, YFC's Blue Bus Program, and Jeremy's worship ministry.



Thank you! Thank you to **Samantha** who doing website and communication work. Watch for all the essentials on all our platforms: emails, the website: www.avcrc.org, Facebook: *Alberni Valley CRC*. Kathie continues to publish the bulletin. *Thank you!*



Advance Notice: Mark your Calendar!



Sunday, November 25: *Budget Meeting* (yes, Sunday!) In the worship service we will present and pray about all we believe God is calling us to do in the coming year. *Immediately following worship*, we will ask for motion to accept the budget, ask for comments and questions then vote.

Saturday, December 8: *Christmas Dinner!*

Christmas Worship Schedule

Sunday, December 23, 10:30 am: Regular Sunday Worship

Monday, December 24, 6:30 pm: Candlelight, Christmas Eve Worship

No worship service on Christmas Day

Sunday, December 30: Regular Sunday Worship



Do you have Children?

Our Children's Ministry is in the building across the parking lot. Pastor Curtis will let you know; during the service, when the children can leave.

Additionally, we also have a Nursery there for the little ones. Feel free to drop your babies and toddlers off before the service starts.

All our volunteers are genuinely caring; have passed RCMP background checks; and, are well known by our leadership.



Is it your first time here?

If you want, stick around for Coffee following the service! We would love to get to know you.

Follow the stairway downstairs, at the back of the Foyer, and you will find bathrooms and Children's Ministry space. This is also where the coffee will be!

Feel free to fill out an info card, found in the Auditorium seating, and drop it in the offering collection bag. This is so that we can stay in touch, and help you become part of our community!

<u>OFFERING SCHEDULE</u>	<u>COUNTER</u>	<u>HELPERS</u>
October 28 – Budget	Erin K	Aliza B & Elaine V
November 4 – World Renew	John R	Rinnie H & Roy K
November 11 – Back to God	Patty T	Art & Alsie S
November 18 – Chaplaincy/Care	Pete B	Bert & Pat B
November 25 – Day of Prayer	Erin K	Renger D & Margrit D

	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>NURSERY</u>
October 28	Alice C & Jane D	Pat, Yvonne, Sarah
November 4	Bert & Pat B	Helle, Jessica, Ezra
November 11	Bert & Pat B	Alsie, Roy, Levi
November 18	Bev & Brian H	Jill, Erin, Curtis
November 25	Bev & Brian H	Yvonne, Anita, Sarah

	<u>COFFEE MAKERS</u>	<u>LIBRARIAN</u>	<u>SECURITY</u>
October 28	Izak & Ezit N	Anita B	Pete B
November 4	Pete & Anita B	Alice V	Al V
November 11	Willem & Helle C	Margrit D	Al V
November 18	John & Margrit D	Bev H	Al V
November 25	John & Erin K	Joan W	Al V

Spilled Ink:

I like theology. The doctrine of Christ or humanity and salvation are fascinating. I like interpreting the ancient text to find the lesson for us today. The more I learn, the more I stand in awe of God who explains all things, right down to the bottom.

Not everyone shares my interest in theology. A story of paddling, drifting, or sailing down the river with Jesus is easier for us to tell, and much more engaging (this, too, is theology but don't tell anyone!). Stories of what we have seen along the way, stories of what we believe Jesus is doing among us, how he helped or changed or healed you or our community can draw interest. Honest stories about fear and doubt and disobedience - and grace of God that found us anyway can evoke a curious question.

"Please pass the faith," we're saying this fall. Last week we practiced telling river stories, stories of the river of life flowing from Jesus through us (**see John 7**). Keep practicing that story. Tell it over supper or when you walk along the road (**see Deuteronomy 6**). You and others will be blessed. God will be praised.

Pastor Curtis