



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, November 4, 2018

Welcome to this Christian *Reformed* church! Normally, the words Christian and church ought to get the emphasis. We are first followers of Jesus and graciously included in the family, the church gathered from all times and places by Jesus. We have one common language but you could say we speak with a Reformed accent. Today, a few days after Reformation Day (October 31), we will trace some of the development of our accent.

Prayer and Greeting

Songs: "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"
"Good, Good Father"
"What a Beautiful Name"

Prayer of Confession

Song: "Draw Me Close to You"

Morning Prayer

Offering (World Renew)

Song: "Faithful One / Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Scripture Reading: **Ephesians 1:3-14** (pg. 1133)

Message: "Calvinism in the Las Vegas Airport"

Song: "He Knows My Name"

Blessing

Song: "Your Name"

Please Keep These Matters in your Prayers:

- With sadness and hope for eternal life, we pray for former members Bob M and his family; Rita passed away early on Monday morning.
- Young Life leaders and several churches, including ours, are working on monthly, city-wide youth events. Pray that through well-planned fun, worship and engaging talks, young people will grow in knowledge and love for God.
- Continue to pray for Jake V and Ria. Wilf's dad has been diagnosed with cancer; the prognosis is quite grim.
- In light of the murders at the synagogue in Pittsburgh, pray for an end to Antisemitism and any form of racism. In the silence of prayer, let us examine our own hearts, asking God remove anything that lingers against our will.



A heart felt thank you for the prayers offered for healing following my recent back surgery. Also thanks for the tasty meals and kind visits that Harry and I received. We are truly grateful to be part of this church family.

Blessings to all, Marjie & Harry

Thank you! - *Samantha* for doing website and communication work. Watch for all the essentials on all our platforms: emails, the website: www.avcrc.org, Facebook: *Alberni Valley CRC*. ***There is also a new up-to-date calendar is available on the website - Check it out!***



Weekly calendar: (Check the website for updates)

Spiritual Workout class resumes on Monday, November 12

Wednesday: 10:00 am ~ Coffee Break (ladies) Bible study
6:45 - 8:00pm ~ Youth Bible study

Tuesday: 1:00 pm ~ Church Renewal Team Meeting
3:30 pm ~ Worship Committee Meeting

Sunday, Remembrance Day: During our worship service we will remember. We will pray for peace.





Advent in Narnia!

*Through the season of Advent, the children's story, **The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe** is an imaginative way into the story of Christmas.*



Just before the season starts in December, we will show the movie at the church - it will also be our monthly We ♥ PA event.

If you have a copy of the book, read it and pass it along!

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>
November 4 – World Renew	John	Rinnie & Roy
November 11 – Back to God	Patty	Art & Alsie
November 18 – Chaplaincy/Care	Pete	Bert & Pat
November 25 – Day of Prayer	Erin	Renger & Margrit
December 2 – Bread of Life	John	Kim & Lois
December 9 – Young Life	Patty	Eliza & Elaine
December 16 – Umrans	Pete	Rinnie & Roy
December 23 – Guatemala	Erin	Art & Alsie
December 30 – Budget	John	Bert & Pat

	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>NURSERY</u>
November 4	Bert & Pat	Helle, Jessica, Ezra
November 11	Bert & Pat	Alsie, Roy, Levi
November 18	Bev & Brian	Jill, Erin, Curtis
November 25	Bev & Brian	Yvonne, Anita, Sarah
December 2	Alice & Theo	Pat, Pam, Curtis
December 9	Alice & Theo	Aliza, Kim, Megan
December 16	Alice & Jane	Carol, Erin, Levi
December 23	Alice & Jane	Helle, Roy, Ezra
December 30	Bert & Pat	Yvonne, Alsie, Sarah

	<u>COFFEE MAKERS</u>	<u>LIBRARIAN</u>	<u>SECURITY</u>
November 4	Pete & Anita	Alice	Al
November 11	Willem & Helle	Margrit	Al
November 18	John & Margrit	Bev	Al
November 25	John & Erin	Joan	Al
December 2	Bob & Joan	Anita	John
December 9	Roy & Joanne	Alice	John
December 16	Johan & Anne Marie	Margrit	John
December 23	Harry & Marjie	Bev	John
December 30	Jake & Mitzie	Joan	John

Spilled Ink:

How did you feel when you heard about the shooting at a synagogue in Pittsburgh last week? Shock and sadness, I suspect. We can also respond with action.

We can pray. The shooting was an act of evil and our only sure defender against evil is Jesus. Pray!

Check our own hearts. Are we content to let stereotypes reside unchecked in our minds? Are we automatically afraid or suspicious of people not like us?

Check our news sources. Many sources on social media are extremely biased and stories are loaded with spin or outright lies. Read from several sources, even those that may not suit your perspective. When you read about the 'migrant caravan' or Canadian immigration policies, be careful about accepting the first thing you read.

Right here in our own city, remember that Nuu Chah Nulth people were here first. Rich and old cultures thrived here for thousands of years without polluting or using resources at unsustainable rates. This does not make them perfect; all people stand in need of a Savior. But remember what is good. Consider what we might learn from neighbors.

Pastor Curtis