

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 August 11, 2019

Welcome to this time of worship! We welcome Naji U and Anne Z - and Jonathon, Sebastian, Emmanuel and Alexander; they are here to tell of their work in Egypt and bring the message. Today we have the joy of celebrating the Lord's Supper.

Our worship service will proceed as announced.

Offering: Pastor Church Resources

Keep these matters in your prayers

- Pray for all who have been so deeply affected by the actions of Kam McLeod and Bryer Schmegelski. Pray that God's light will shine in this dreadful and sad darkness.
- Give thanks - Erin K continues to recover from surgery and pathology reports indicate no further cancer. Irene Potter has surgery to remove a benign cyst in her brain and all is going well.
- Pray for Pastor Curtis and the rest of the council as they plan for ministry this fall at church. God calls us to be disciples - who make disciples who make disciples and on it goes. Pray that God's kingdom will come and his will be done - on earth and right here in this church. ***Council meets on Thursday, August 15 at 6pm.***

Spilled Ink

I've been wrestling with a question: how can we get people to want to be disciples, to be formed spiritually? There are more programs and courses than you can shake a stick at and most are really good. How can we get people to want this, to invest time and effort?

In a way, the question is not really fair. People who confess that Jesus is Lord generally want to grow as disciples of Jesus. But we're busy. We get distracted. We might be afraid of what we could become, or afraid of what Jesus might ask of us as we grow closer to him, or afraid of what people will think of us. We shy away from the call to greater discipleship.

If we are honest, most of us will have to admit that there are parts of our lives that we hold back from spiritual transformation. Believe me, I understand - I have my own hang-ups. And transformation is hard - as hard as dying and rising, according to Scripture. But, according to Scripture, it is infinitely worth it.

What holds you back? Is the reason or excuse or fear valid?

Pastor Curtis

Sewing Machines Needed ... I have the opportunity to teach a sewing elective at John Paul II School this Fall and am looking for donations or loan of basic sewing machines in good working order. If you have a machine or know of someone who might, please contact Jessica. Thank you.



Bearfoot in the Park is a fund raiser for Alberni Community and Women's Services Society. Please join them at Blair Park on August 24th at 10:00am in their walk to raise money to help children and youth get the support they need to lead fulfilling lives. \$25 registration fee includes a 'bear necessities' t-shirt and food and fun in the park after the walk.

Free a Family Update ... The Nyrienda family in Uganda benefits from the "Free A Family" program. The new skills and sustainable farming techniques they have learned through the conservation agriculture program - and the healthy seeds provided through World Renew - have yielded a bountiful peanut, maize and cotton harvest. The family now has regular access to nutritious food and the family is able to focus on their future. They are able to pay school fees and enroll the children. Thank you for demonstrating Christ's love by coming alongside families such as the Nyriendas so they can achieve food security for the first time.



<u>OFFERING SCHEDULE</u>	<u>COUNTER</u>	<u>HELPERS</u>
August 11 – Pastor Church Resources	Janay G	Renger D & Margrit D
August 18 – CRC Annual Day of Justice	John R	John K & Elaine V
August 25 – Breakfast Club	Patty T	Kim M & Lois L

	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>NURSERY</u>
August 11	Bert & Pat B	Erin K, Alsie S, Curtis
August 18	Bert & Pat B	Carol D, Eileen D, Bethany
August 25	Bev & Brian H	Jill V, Helle C, Levi
	<u>COFFEE MAKERS</u>	<u>LIBRARIAN</u>
August 11	Harry & Marjie A	Alice V
August 18	Jake & Mitzie C	Margrit D
August 25	Colin & Aliza B	Bev H
		<u>SECURITY</u>
		Pete B
		Pete B
		Pete B
	<u>Lawn Care</u>	
August 1-15	Matt G	
August 15-30	Mitzie C	

AVCRC WELCOMES YOU!

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