

**Alberni Valley Christian Reformed Church:
'Making disciples who make disciples who make ...'**



Sunday March 8, 2020

Welcome to this worship time - the second Sunday in Lent. We continue our "Messy People, Merciful God" Series, reading the story of Deborah in Judges 4. Next week we will read the story of Gideon. Take some time this week to read Judges 6-8. Immediately after the worship time today, all are invited to the AGM that follows - come learn about ministry in our church. The combined worship service will be held at Jericho Road at 6:00pm. Our youth group will meet as usual at 6:00 p.m.

Order of Worship

Songs of Praise: 'Nothing but the Blood', 'Mighty to Save', 'How Great Thou Art'
Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Mercy
Song: 'Servant Song'

Offering:

Song: 'No Longer Slaves'

Reflections on Ministry at AVCRC by the Chair of Church Council

Prayer

Reading: Judges 4

Message: "Surprising Heroes: Deborah and Jael"

Song: 'Whom Shall I Fear?' (God of angel armies)

Blessing

Please Keep These Matters in Your Prayers:

- Pray for council members. Pray that they will have the heart, the skills, and confidence from God to carry out their work.
- Nanaimo Christ Community Church and Pastor Chelsey Harmon have officially parted ways. Pray for both as new chapters begin.
- Pray that we will be winsome witnesses of God's mercy and grace as we go about the ordinary moments of our lives.

Lent At-Home Faith Formation Tip: Many Christians practice giving something up for Lent in order to make more space for God. If you have kids in your household, think together about how you might make more space for God this week. For example, you might take a technology break each day and spend the time reading about Jesus' life and ministry in *The Jesus Storybook Bible* or *Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible* and talking about the stories together.

AGM TODAY - March 8: The agenda, ministry reports and 2019 financial statements are in your mailboxes. The agenda includes:

- a motion to approve the 2019 financial statements
- oral reports on ministry in our church
- a conversation about our model for giving outside of the AVCRC budget.

Please find extra ballots and descriptions of the agencies in which we would like the congregation to help us pick from, on the back table. You can drop them in the collection bag, give them to a deacon or wait until the AGM after the Service today when they will be collected. The vote is for everyone who attends here - one vote per person over the age of 16 please. Your interest in this matter is very important to us and we look forward to your feedback. *Thank You, The Deacons*

The 2019 donation tax receipts have been issued.

Please find them in your church mail slot. If you do not have a church mail slot they will be sent to your address. If you do not receive yours in the next week or so please let one of the Deacons know.

A list of potential charity organizations the AVCRC would like to donate to is also in your mail slot. At the AGM TODAY, the members will vote on which they would like to support.

Thank you all for your generous donations throughout 2019.

The Deacons: Janay G, Pete B, Patty T

Combined Worship Services:

The church of Port Alberni has long gathered together through the season of Lent for Sunday evening worship services. This is the schedule for this year; all services begin at 6:00pm. Note that we will host the first service this evening.

Today	@ Jericho Rd	Preacher: Bruce Greenwood
March 15	@ Community Life	Preacher: Zach Hillman
March 22	@ Southside	Preacher: Michael Ramsey
March 29	@ First Baptist	Preacher: David Zvonar
April 5	@ Gateway	Preacher: Rory Frank

The Greater Victoria Police Chorus ... in Concert Sunday March 22nd at 2:00 p.m. ADSS Auditorium. Please see Jan J for tickets (\$15.00 each).

Reconciliation Circle ... March 27th from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Port Alberni Friendship Center. No cost, but please pre-register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/M5NGT8H>

Weekly Schedule:

Tonight - Combined Worship Service at 6:00p.m. at Jericho Road Church
 - Youth Bible Study in the Youth Room at 6:00pm.

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. - Prayer Meeting

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study ... everyone welcome!

Thursday: Hymn Sing at Echo Village (3:00pm) and Fir Park (3:45pm)

Friday: 7:00-9:00p.m. - city wide youth event at Jericho Road: Life-Sized Games

<u>OFFERING SCHEDULE</u>	<u>COUNTER</u>	<u>HELPERS</u>
March 8 – Budget	Elaine V	Alsie S
March 15 – Budget	Patty T	Bert & Pat B
March 22 – Budget	Janay G	Renger D & Margrit D
March 29 – Special Collection	Pete B	John K & Dave R

	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>NURSERY</u>		
March 8	Jane D	Pam S; Sarah		
March 15	Bert & Pat B	Carol D; Jessica O		
March 22	Bert & Pat B	Eileen D; Pat B; Curtis		
March 29	Bev & Brian H	Erin K; Alsie S		
	<u>COFFEE MAKERS</u>	<u>LIBRARIAN</u>	<u>SECURITY</u>	
March 8	Bob & Joan W	Alice V	Jake C	
March 15	Roy & Joanne K	Margrit D	Jake C	
March 22	Johan & Annemarie S	Bev H	Jake C	
March 29	Harry & Marjie A	Joan W	Jake C	

Is this your first time Worshipping with us?
Welcome! Please join us for Coffee (downstairs) following the Service. We would love to get to know you ☺
 **There is an Info Card found in your pew seat. Feel free to fill it out and drop it in the Collection Bag. This will help us to keep in touch with you.

Nursery ... is provided during the Service for your babies and toddlers. Feel free to drop your children off before the Service starts.

Sunday School ... Pastor Curtis will let you know during the **Service** when the children can leave.
 **All our Volunteers are genuinely caring; have passed RCMP Background Checks; and, are well known by our Leadership.

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