

ANNOUNCEMENTS January 29th, 2023

We welcome all who are worshipping here today. If you're visiting for the first time, please sit anywhere, there is no fee, we are simply happy to have you here with us.

Please stay for coffee/tea in the church hall following the service.

And please sign our guestbook just inside the front door.

Minister	Rev. Brenda Miller
Director of Music	Tyler Fleming
Office Secretary	Fran Zukewich

<u>This morning</u>	Scripture Reader	Elias deVerheyen
	Violin	Ashleigh Wood
	Greeters/ Offering	Ikumi Takada, Esther Nakade

Wearing a mask in public indoor settings is not required.

Wearing a mask is a personal choice.

Please join us for 'Coffee and Conversation'

Thursdays, 10:00 am.-10:45 a.m.-ish. Please feel welcome to join us in the hall for an informal time of just visiting. We'd love to see you for coffee/tea/cookies.

Scripture Readings for the next Sunday

<u>Feb 5th</u>	Isaiah 58:1-9	Psalms 112:1-9
	1Corinthians 2:1-12	Matthew 5:13-20

First United Downtown Outreach January 2023 **(up-dated list - the same)**

Razors/shaving cream, new underwear for men/women, tampons, toothbrush/toothpaste, shampoo, bar soap, towels. Men's (only) sweat/track pants. Macdonald's/Tim H. gift card (\$5,10) Twin size blankets/fitted sheets (not flat), **gloves, rain ponchos.**

No socks at this time, please.

Please put them in the box outside Fran's office.

Thank you for your gifts, you are indeed blessed.

A 70th Anniversary February 15th, 2023 is the 70th anniversary of the amalgamation of Steveston United Church and the Japanese congregation.

We will honour this covenant on **Sunday Feb. 19th**.
A potluck lunch (as well as sushi) If you'd like to help, please see Brenda

Ministry Profile/Search The Board met with Rev. Debra Bowman (interim Pacific Mountain Region Pastoral Relations Minister) Wed. Jan. 18th. Future plans for Steveston United have begun. More information to follow. Thanks, Brenda

United Church Walkers It's Cold Out There! On February 25th, Richmond United Churches are going to do something about it. Together with thousands of Canadians across the country, we're walking and fundraising to support and serve people and families experiencing homelessness, hurt, and hunger in our community. (see Bruce McAndless-Davis, Gilmore Park, for info) Please Walk or send donations to Richmond- Chimo Community Services. 7000 Minoru Blvd. Richmond, BC V6Y 3Z5

Broadview magazine Jan/Feb 2023 issue (copies on the table in the narthex)
-Recycled Wood Shop Builds Funds and Community. Retired ministers Ross White and Don Robertson began "You Give, We Build," a carpentry business with proceeds going to the Downtown Eastside Society. Bookshelves, tables, benches, planters, planter boxes. (Ross was Brenda's supervisor at Shaughnessy Heights United, Van.)
-Why Funerals Sill Matter (by Sara Jewell)

Thought for the Day *"If we see the Bible as a Divine product, the question becomes, 'Why would God want to kill Moses, especially since Moses has been chosen by God and is doing what God has commanded him to do?' The question is impossible to answer.*

And if we see the Bible as a Human product, we realize that this is a story told by ancient Israel. The question then becomes, 'Why would Israel tell this story?' The answer is still unclear."

Marcus Borg "Reading the Bible Again for the First Time"

Our Faith Community Prayer List We pray for continued healing & comfort;

Helen L. AL D. Melva M. Susan N. Danielle, Barbara Syred, Dorothy L. Sachi and Kim Shirakawa, Ryan & the Stillwell family, Joanne Clendenning, Marg E. Kim(Annetta's daughter), the Galang family, Caroline Burgess & Jean and Don

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