

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S



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Open Church: Sanctuary
Wednesdays at 12:00 - 1:30 pm
Cancelled until October 15!

Meditation Hour: Sanctuary
Wednesdays at 4:00 - 5:30 pm
Cancelled until October 15!

Activity Group: The Gathering Room
Thursdays at 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Worship Service: Sanctuary
Sundays at 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

The Link: Contribute to St. Andrew's monthly newsletter! The deadline for submissions is the last Sunday of every month. To contact the editor or submit your contributions please email: thelink@standrewsvictoria.ca.

Announcements

NEW MUSIC DIRECTOR: On September 1 Susanne Reul-Zastre will assume her role as our new the Director of Music Ministry; her first Sunday service will be Sunday, September 7. Please introduce yourselves and welcome her!

CHOIR REHEARSALS: St. Andrew's Choir Rehearsals with our new Director of Music, Susanne Reul-Zastre, start on Thursday, September 4! Join us in the Sanctuary Thursday evenings from 7:15 - 8:30 pm. All are welcome!

HAZEL'S LIGHT UP FOR MITO WALK: on Saturday, September 20 St. Andrew's outdoor lights will be green in support of this event! Learn more [HERE](#).

JOURNEY FOR HOPE: Join your local team '**Together in Motion and Song**' to help raise money for Presbyterian World Service & Development's food security projects. Our fundraising goal for this year is \$2000! You can donate [HERE](#). For more information please contact Patti Jackson.



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Presbyterian World Service
& Development

JOURNEY FOR HOPE: TOGETHER IN MOTION & SONG

JOIN US TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR PWS&D'S FOOD SECURITY PROJECTS. OUR GOAL FOR THIS YEAR IS TO RAISE \$2000!

SING FOR HOPE

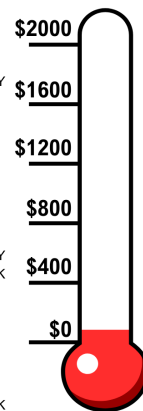
JOIN US FOR A HYMN SING FUNDRAISER ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH AT 7:00 PM AT TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 2964 TILlicum ROAD.

WALK FOR HOPE

JOIN US FOR A 5KM WALK AROUND THE PARK ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH AT 9:30 PM AT ESQUIMALT GORGE PARK PAVILION, 1070 TILlicum ROAD.

CHURCH CONTACTS

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:	PATTI JACKSON
KNOX VICTORIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:	ANNE KRAUSS
TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:	RUTH MCCOWAN
KNOX SOOKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:	ELEANOR SHAMBROOK




MUSIC OUTREACH RECITAL: Presented by St. Andrew's Music Outreach program on Sunday, November 23 at 2:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Guitar students from the studio of Simon Fairintosh at the UVIC School of Music. Entrance is by donation and everyone is welcome.


MUSIC OUTREACH RECITAL: Presented by St. Andrew's Music Outreach program on Sunday, November 30 at 2:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Entrance is by donation and everyone is welcome. More details will be announced soon!


THE GIFT OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC: Presented by St. Andrew's Presbyterian Music Outreach Program on December 11 at 12:00 pm in the Sanctuary. An afternoon of seasonal tunes played by local instrumentalists and a chance to sing along with your favorite Christmas carols! Entrance is by donation and everyone is welcome.


CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE: Join us for a special Christmas Eve service on Wednesday, December 24 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. More details to follow.


Community Events


 **IAN MAKSIN CONCERT:** Presented by Ian Maksin on Saturday, September 6 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Composer and multilingual vocalist Ian Maksin has created his own unique style by blending elements of different genres and traditional music from around the globe in a new way using his cello as the main unifying force. For more information and tickets go [HERE](#).


 **CONNIE KALDOR IN CONCERT:** Presented by Beacon Ridge Productions on Saturday, September 20 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Canadian Folk Music Icon Connie Kaldor—singer-songwriter, entertainer, TV personality, and women’s music pioneer—is celebrating 45 years in show business this year with her new album, her 18th recording, titled Keep Going! For more information and tickets go [HERE](#).

 **TREASURE TROVE CONCERT:** Presented by the Early Music Society of the Islands on Saturday, October 25 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Victoria’s local medieval ensemble ‘Bourbons’ will bring interpretations of songs from the Cantigas de Santa Maria to the stage, employing voice and the exotic sounds of medieval period instruments. For more information and tickets go [HERE](#).

 **JANE SIBERRY CD RELEASE CONCERT:** Presented by Beacon Ridge Productions on Saturday, November 22 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Iconic and enigmatic, Jane Siberry is one of music’s most unique and gifted singer-songwriters. For more information and tickets go [HERE](#).

 **YULE CONCERT:** Presented by the Early Music Society of the Islands on Sunday, December 7 at 4:00 pm in the Sanctuary. ‘Catalina Vicens, on organetto, will join the voices of ‘Trio Mediæval’ for a program of Scandinavian traditional Christmas folk songs and hymns, English medieval Carols, and two contemporary works! For more information and tickets go [HERE](#).

 **WINTER CONCERT:** Presented by Ensemble Laude on Sunday, December 21 at 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Go [HERE](#) for more information as it becomes available.

 **A CHILD’S CHRISTMAS IN WALES:** Presented by Vox Humana on Wednesday, December 24 at 2:30pm in the Sanctuary. Go [HERE](#) for more information as it becomes available.

 **RECOVERY CHRISTMAS DINNER:** You are invited to a free, buffet-style Christmas dinner on Thursday, December 25 at 12:00 pm in the Kirk Hall. Everyone is welcome! For more information please contact Jane at recoverychristmasdinner@gmail.com



Mission Moment

In the Mediterranean, the olive tree is an ancient source of livelihood and nutrition. It grows in poor soil, yields precious fruit, and can live for more than a thousand years. Israeli military and settlers have destroyed hundreds of thousands of olive trees belonging to Palestinian farmers. In support and solidarity with Palestinian farmers, the Olive Tree Campaign provides olive tree saplings to farmers, allowing them to remain on their land and earn a living. Since 2018, the PCC has been supporting this campaign and farmers who receive sponsored trees. Funds from Presbyterians Sharing and donations help strengthen Palestinian resilience and help keep their hope alive for a better future.