



Life & Work of St. Aidan's

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"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream"
~ C.S. Lewis

A Spiritual Question for the New Year



What is your New Year's Resolution?
(Eat more salads? Less Facebook? Learn to fly a plane?)

That's our question, which is hanging near the comfortable chairs, in the Great Hall. Write down your resolution on the board. No need to sign it. Just writing it in cold, hard, ink might nudge you toward success.

*"Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow."
~ Albert Einstein*

Bazaar 2017 Report

Bazaar 2017 has come to an end with the grand total of \$37,135.00. Thanks to everyone who baked, sewed, knitted, shopped, donated, advertised, etc. It takes the entire church congregation working together to make this event so successful. Many wonderful stories have come to our attention of fun times and amazing fellowship. Please consider being part of bazaar 2018. There are so many opportunities for you to be involved. Our convenors deserve an extra thank you as they are busy year round pricing, collecting, cleaning and sorting. Contact me if you need anymore information. Marilyn Smith 250-479-5676

It's All About Mark!



St. Mark the Lion is often depicted also with his paw holding an open Bible

Friends, for some time people have been making comments about wanting a way to gently enter into scripture. We also are curious about what makes the Bible a best seller generation after generation. We yearn for a way that our faith can be informed, and more integrated into our lives. And we want to do it with our faith friends at St. Aidan's so we can share common experiences and talk a common language.

The Monday Morning Bible Discussion participants heard that longing and have prepared a multi-layered experience to help us begin. Over five weeks in Epiphany we are inviting everyone at St. Aidan's to engage in some way with the Gospel of Mark (GofM)– the first gospel to be written down and the shortest of all the gospels.

This is your invitation to take part in **whatever ways you can**. Here are your options:

- **Read the Gospel of Mark** at home, on your own time. We have a CD of GofM available for borrowing
- Use this **32 day resource booklet** to read and reflect on Mark (available in the office)
- **Attend the Sunday Sermon Series** on Jan 14,21,28, Feb. 4, 11
- **Sign up (in the library) for a 4 session Group Discussion** on either Mon. afternoon (1:30-3 pm) or Mon. evening from 7-8:30 pm on Jan. 15, 22, 29, Feb 5
- **Watch the Gospel of Mark movie** in 2 parts: Sundays, Jan 14, 21 right after worship (1 hr. sessions)

The Monday Bible Discussion group welcomes you to engage the GofM in all the ways possible for you.

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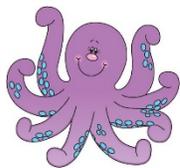
BE BOLD!

January 13th

10:00am - 12:00pm

Cadboro Bay United - 2625 Arbutus Rd

Continue our reVision journey with Cadboro Bay United with the next phase... BE BOLD! Together we'll gather in groups to discern some of the ideas that came out of the first portion of this journey and decide how to move forward. Refreshments will be available.



The Friendly Octopus

The Thrift Shop is having a 50% off sale this Wednesday on women's dress jackets, pants, men's wear, yarn, golf clubs, balls and bags, and sheet music. Think of us when you are thinning out those closets! It all goes to a good cause!

Caregiver and Tot Drop In resumes on

Monday, Jan. 15. *The Drop In welcomes are caregivers and children ages 4 and under on Mondays from 10 am – 12 pm.*

Men's Supper -Jan 9, 2018

Guest Speaker: Dr. Denise Cloutier on "Aging Gracefully?" Please contact Jim Upright at 250 479-1101 or jim@upright.net if you would like to attend

Cameo (Come And Meet Each Other) Club

Next gathering is **Jan.13th at 7:30 pm**
Program- **From St. Aidans Archives-** come and have some fun and learn about our history. This St. Aidan's social group welcomes newcomers. Please R.S.V .P. to the Davoren's at jandbd@telus.net BEFORE JAN. 10th
Thanks Bonnie

Kids' Choir

St. Aidan's Kids' Choir will resume this Wednesday, Jan. 10 at 5:30 pm in the chapel. Children from age 4 – 12 are most welcome. Mary Kennedy and Olivia Duffin will prepare a fun-filled 45 minutes of singing, instrument playing, games, and story-telling. The choir will plan to sing in church on the 3rd Sunday of each month, starting on January 21st. Grandparents, we would love it if you could help by bringing grandchildren! Regulars, think about bringing a friend from school. We look forward to seeing you there. **Questions? More information? Drop Mary an email: makenn@uvic.ca** Mary and Olivia

Java Jivers 2018

Do you like coffee, tea, juice after church on Sundays? If so, then **java jivers** is for you! We are looking for a few more people to swell our ranks and share the task with us. Please speak to Mary Kennedy after the service and or drop her an email. makenn@uvic.ca

Student Suppers

Suppers for UVic Students will continue on an 'as available' status. If you are interested, please contact Mary Kennedy
Email: makenn@uvic.ca Cell: 250-532-1480

Smile Card Program at Thrifty Foods

Help raise money for St. Aidan's. You can pick up a card from the office. Remember this costs nothing to use but does help us earn 5% of the total spent on groceries.

Weekly Activities at St. Aidan's

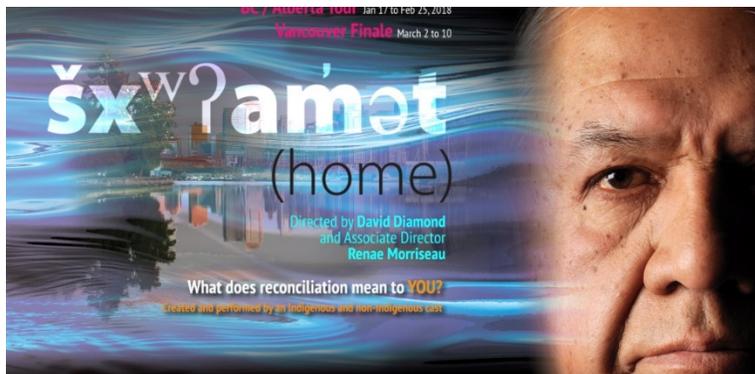
Sundays	9 am Meditation Drop-in 10 am Sunday Service 11:30 am Intercultural Gathering
Mondays	10:30-11:30 am Drop in Bible Discussion 10 am Caregivers & Tot Drop In (resumes Jan. 15) 7 pm Sunday Band practice (2 nd Monday)
Tuesdays	10 – 11:30 am ESL Class 10:30 am Moira's Meditation
Wednesdays	10am-2pm & 4-8 pm Thrift Shop OPEN 2 pm Happy Hour (Seniors Gathering) 5:30 Children's Choir in the chapel
Thursdays	10 – 11:30 am ESL Class CHOIRS 4:00- 5 pm Practice for women's voices 5- 6:30 pm – Practice -Mixed voices 6:30 pm Ted Boulden Singers
Saturdays (last of month)	10 am – 2pm Thrift Shop

Dates to Remember

Jan. 9	Men's Supper
Jan. 13	10am-12pm reVision Phase 2 Launch
Jan. 14	It's All About Mark begins
Jan. 27	7 pm Rock 'n' Roll Party for St. Aidan's & CBUC (held at Cadboro Bay United Church)
Feb. 13	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper with CBUC

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 10 am–3 pm (closed stats.)

Email office@staidansunited.com to receive our weekly email



Home: What does Reconciliation mean to you? **A play.**

Wouldn't it be great if St. Aidan's was a strong presence in the audience!

Provocative and entertaining, this production is created and performed by an Indigenous and non-Indigenous cast, and asks us to imagine what reconciliation really means. If you want innovative theatre that is engaging and challenges your perceptions, this would be it.

Location: Songhees Wellness Centre – 1100 Admirals Rd.

Date: January 19th and 20th, 2018: Friday and Saturday

Start Time: 7:30 pm **Cost:** \$15 +\$2 s/c = \$17 online

Tickets are also available at Cadboro Bay United Church Office and at www.cadbayuc.org