

## **St. Andrew's United Church**

**Epiphany 5 - February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

Minister – Bert Ramsey                      Minister of Music-Ron Barnum  
Organist –Jane Barnum                      Board Chairperson – Richard Zurbrigg  
Greeters-UCW and Friends                      Presenter-Maurice Gallant  
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### **Thought for the week**

It requires moral courage to grieve; it requires spiritual courage to rejoice.  
Soren Kierkegaard

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Introit VU 603 vs 1**

In loving partnership we come, seeking, O God your will to do.  
Our prayers and actions now receive; we freely offer them to you.

### **Call To Worship**

You who dwell in the shelter of your God,  
who abide in God's shadow for life,  
**say to your God: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"**  
The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear:  
**under God's wings your refuge, God's faithfulness your shield.**  
*(sung)* " And I will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
**bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of my hand.**

**Anthem With A Voice Of Singing by Shaw**

### **Opening Prayer**

**Living Christ:**

**In the morning Peter said,  
"Everyone is looking for you,"  
as word spread of your love for all.  
Whole towns flocked to you  
with their questions and trouble in tow.  
We as well need to find you,  
now and on this very day.**

**Friend of the poor, take our hand.  
Help us up.  
And grant us such hands as will help others.  
Amen.**

**Children's Time  
Hymn #361 Small Things Count**

**TO HEAR GOD'S WORD Helen Hunter**

Isaiah 40:21-31

Psalms 147, Part One, VU 868

Mark 1:29-39

**The Word of the Lord      Thanks be to God**

**Reflection      "THOMAS DORSEY'S GOSPEL"**

**Hymn #612 There Is A Balm In Gilead**

**AND TO RESPOND IN PRAYER AND ACTION**

**Offertory Solo**

**Offering and Doxology #541**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God,  
all creatures high and low; give thanks to God in love made known:  
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

**Offertory Prayer**

**God, give us purpose, work and service  
until our life shall end,  
and life until our work is complete;  
in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn #670 Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

**Sing Amen**

**Sing Amen: Amen, we praise your name, O God.**

**Sing Amen: Amen, we praise your name, O God.**

**Sing Amen: Amen, amen, amen, amen,  
amen, we praise your name, O God.**

**Postlude**

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*February 4<sup>th</sup> – February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012*

**Sunday**

10:30am	Worship Service/Sunday School
2:00pm	Scottish County Dance lessons
8:00pm	Mustard Seed

**Monday**

9:30am	Economy House
1:00pm	Memorial Service for Audrey Bertram
4-5:00pm	Mandarin School
7:00pm	Nan Con Band

**Tuesday**

12 noon	Weight Watchers
3:30pm	NYC
6:30pm	HCP club

**Wednesday**

7:00pm	Camerata
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**Thursday**

10-2:00pm	Economy House
10-12noon	Everybody Sings
6:30pm	Adult Choir

**Friday**

3:00pm	NYC Workshop
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**Saturday**

10-12noon	Mandarin School
11-8:00pm	Church of God

The Envelope boxes for 2012 are available at the back of the church...please look for your envelopes...thank you. Ross.

A Celebration of Life service for Audrey Bertram, will be held on February 6<sup>th</sup>, at 1pm

**Financial Statement to date for St. Andrew's United Church**

	December 2011	Year to date
Revenue	21,138.44	149,762.91
Expenses	<u>14,463.55</u>	<u>171,619.76</u>
Total revenue over expenses	<u>6,674.89</u>	<u>(21,856.85)</u>

The Property committee would like anyone that has keys to our buildings but do not like to use the alarm system or only come when the office is open, to please return keys to the office...we have a shortage of keys and many people have them and don't use them.

Gary Fjellgaard, and Friends will be performing at St. Andrew's United Church helping to raise money for our Capital Campaign on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 7pm. Tickets are available at the Church office, West Coast Classic Floral, Lobelia's Lair, Tom Lee Music and Fascinating Rhythm. Tickets are \$20/person. Gary's latest album was recorded at St. Andrew's last year.

Naramata Centre in the Okanogan is hiring for their summer positions. Applications and Reference letters must be submitted to them by February 17<sup>th</sup>. Please look for the *Naramata Centre Summer Staff Information Brochure* their website. [www.naramatacentre.net](http://www.naramatacentre.net)

The AGM will be held on February 12<sup>th</sup> after worship and lunch.

Thanks to the generosity of our Congregation, Bayview, Georgia Avenue, Fairview Elementary Schools and Haven House each received a generous bag of toques, mittens and scarves to be given to needy children. Thank you to Phyllis Stephens and Karen Orchyk for packing and delivering it all.

Nanaimo Meals on Wheels is looking to recruit new volunteers and drivers. Volunteer Drivers are supplemented with a mileage allowance of 0.50 cents /kilometer. If you are interested in finding out more about this service please contact their office at (250) 753-1300 or by email at [mownanaimo@shaw.ca](mailto:mownanaimo@shaw.ca)

Sunday February 12th, 2:30pm. Brechin United Church

A Cappella Plus presents their annual Valentine concert of love songs old and new, "*Love, Longing and Dreams*"

Love in many languages from different countries and times, love expressed softly, sadly and exuberantly, madrigals to musicals, - that is what makes this valentine's concert so enjoyable and varied. Joining A Cappella Plus is Panache! Nanaimo's 6 voice a cappella female group who will add some spice to the proceedings!

After the concert stay a while and enjoy some refreshment. Tickets are \$15 general, \$10 student and are available at the door, Fascinating Rhythm, the Quilted Duck and Mulberry Bush Bookstores.

Saturday, February 18th, 7pm. St Andrew's United Church Nanaimo

*Nanaimo Sings!* thanks to support from Spectacular Music BC, and Windsor Plywood presents *Elektra*, renowned women's choir from Vancouver with their director, Morna Edmundson.

Don't miss the chance to hear this exceptional choir. Tickets are \$20 and available at The Quilted Duck, Tom Lee, Barton Leier and the Mulberry Bush Bookstores.

The next issue of "the merry andrew" should be out in early March. In recognition of International Women's Day (March 6), women are encouraged to send articles reflecting on how life in the Church and community has changed for them as women, what still needs to be done, mistakes along the way, etc. Any men who feel brave enough to send an article on the subject are welcome to do so! Articles on other issues are also welcome. Send material to [ejmanly@islandnet.com](mailto:ejmanly@islandnet.com) or in person to Jim Manly by Feb. 26.

## An Invitation to be part of the Dialogue

To exchange ideas and take action together with people of faith and spirituality in the Central Vancouver Island Area:

- Who are concerned about our neighbours
- Who want to engage with others to make a difference
- Who want to give back to our community
- Who are committed to working together on the following community issues: Homelessness, Housing, the Sex trade and Harm Reduction Strategies

The event will include:

- Workshops by professional facilitators about social issues in our community.
- An opportunity for participants to learn, discuss and strategize ways of dealing with these issues together as an interfaith community.

Saturday February 18, 2012

Bowen Park Auditorium

10:00am-3:00pm

Lunch Provided

Free Admission

Confirm your attendance or for more information: 250-753-6911 ext. 102 or email [SLetourneau@cvims.org](mailto:SLetourneau@cvims.org)