

GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Music for Meditation

Gathering Song

We are standing on holy ground.

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**God has called we are journey bound,
Standing on, standing on holy ground.**

-words and music: Marc and Judy Hafso

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

**We acknowledge that we are occupying unceded land
of the Coast Salish, Lekwungen speaking people
who have been sustained in body, mind and spirit
through their relationship with this land for thousands of
years.**

**I am grateful to be part of a congregation that is hearing
the call to continue learning of our colonial history
and the on-going impacts of our privilege,
and taking up the challenging and healing work
toward reconciliation.**

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer

**In the morning light O God, may I glimpse again
your image deep within me, the threads of eternal glory
woven into the fabric of every person.**

**Again may I catch sight of the mystery of the human soul
fashioned in your likeness, deeper than knowing,
more enduring than time.**

**And in glimpsing these threads of light
amidst the weakness and distortions of my life,
let me be recalled to the strength and beauty
deep in my soul.**

**Let me be recalled to the strength and beauty
in every living soul. Amen**

- J.Philip Newell

Hymn VU 384 The Lone Wild Bird

Sharing the Peace of Christ

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Opening to the Word

**Day after day, night after night,
you speak through everything**

MV 123 words: Lynn Bauman; music: Linnea Good

Scripture reading: Psalm 139: 1-18

Reflection ~ Sarah Hovey

RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Hymn MV 49 When We Seek Language

Prayers of the People

Offering our Gifts (*offering plates available at each door*)

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn MV 161 I Have Called You By Your Name

Commissioning and Blessing

Response

Like a rock, like a rock, God is under our feet.

Like a starry night sky, God is over our head.

Like the sun on the horizon, God is ever before,

Like a river runs to ocean, our home is in God evermore.

-Mv 92 words: Keri Wehlender, music: Linnea Good

James Bay United Church

*Following in the way of Jesus
on the journey inward
and the journey outward*

October 23, 2022

Season of Creation



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James Bay United Church - Artist Gatherings

2 Saturdays left! from 2 – 4:30 pm – JBUC Lower Hall

November 12, December 10

This is a time for us to make art together.

This is a free event – bring a mask if you like

What you need to know:

- All are welcome, whatever your medium of expression – painting, embroidery, drawing, collage, colouring, poetry.....
- Very important: Please bring all your own art supplies
- We will have tables set up in the Lower Hall, which is reached at the back of the church, down the ramp or the stairs.
- We will have time for visiting and quiet time for doing our art.
- Please bring a mask as you may want to wear one depending on numbers.
- This is a free event

Please RSVP by signing up on our website events page www.jamesbayunited.com or leave a message at 250-384-5821 to confirm your attendance.

DECLARATION & RALLY:

United We Stand for Old Growth Forests!

Two years ago, the BC government promised to protect old growth and they have not kept that promise. So now, a coalition of environmental organizations is organizing a major **Declaration** to end logging in old growth forests, and a **Super-Rally at the BC Legislature on Saturday November 26, 2022**. It's important that the government realize that it's not just environmental groups that want to end old growth logging; for faith communities, this is a question of Creation, and how we relate to it. Stay tuned for more details and in the meantime, Save the Date. Questions?

Please email united4oldgrowth@gmail.com

THIS WEEK AT JAMES BAY UNITED CHURCH:



Tuesday, October 25

Jazz at the Church 7-8:30pm

Proudly presenting the John Lee trio! Drummer, bassist, guitarist and pianist John Lee is quickly becoming one of the most respected and sought after young musicians in the country.

Featuring a top-notch trio supported by two of the hottest young musicians on Vancouver Island - Kosma Busheikin on bass and Graham Vilette on drums with John Lee at the piano, this night promises to be a highlight!

Masks required on the main floor, masks optional in balcony.
Admission by donation (\$20 suggested donation)

Wednesday, October 26 at 9AM – 10:30 and ongoing
Qigong and Taijiquan (Tai Chi) with Curtis Nadj

An introductory course in the traditional arts of *Qigong* and *Taijiquan* (aka Tai Chi) with teacher Curtis Nadj.
James Bay United Church, Lower Hall
\$45 suggested donation/month

JBUC Thursday Morning Prayer - 8 am to around 8:20.

It's about beginning the day, along with others, in a way that centers and grounds us in Love's presence.

For more info: www.jamesbayunitedchurch - EVENTS

Friday, Oct. 28 - JBUC Thrift Shop Open 10am – 1pm

Saturday, Oct. 29 - JBUC Thrift Shop

Open 10am – 1pm

Donations Received:

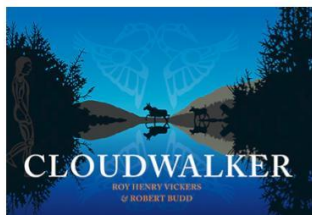
Wed. thru Sat. 10am - 12noon.

MASKS REQUIRED





Saturday, October 29, 2022: 2-4pm @ James Bay United (511 Michigan St.)
Author Readings, Activities, Treats, Book sales. Come in Costume!

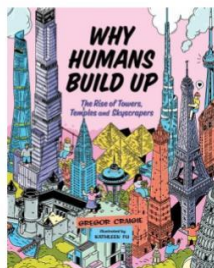


Cloudwalker - Robert 'Lucky' Budd

On British Columbia's northwest coast lies the Sacred Headwaters, the source of three of British Columbia's largest salmon-bearing rivers. These rivers are the source of life for all creatures in the area. But what gave life to the rivers themselves?

Why Humans Build Up - Gregor Craigie

People have been constructing tall buildings for thousands of years, for many different reasons. Castle walls kept people safe. Utility towers transmit TV and cell-phone signals. Observatories give people a bird's-eye view of the world. Beautiful buildings stand out in the crowd. Skyscrapers provide housing for a lot of people. There are some good reasons for building up, and a few bad ones as well.



The Snufflewort Haunting

- Jean, Jacob & Haley Paetkau

The snuggle of Snufflewort and siblings venture out on the scariest holiday of all. When they knock on the door of Grumpy Schlumpy they are met with a spooky mystery that only the gang of brave adventurers can solve. Join the pint-sized heroes when they have an eerie encounter on Halloween night!



Details & Free Registration
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The CREATION SEASON: A Mid-week Field Trip -- Round 2! Victoria Through First Nation's Eyes, a walk through downtown with Songhees guide Mark Albany. The first opportunity filled up quickly, and we're now organizing a second one. You can anticipate a mid-week morning walk, 2 ½ - 3 hours, from the Museum to Delta Point. Please contact Karen Dickey kdickey@shaw.ca to indicate your interest.

OUR RESILIENT HEART: Sundays - 2:30 - 4 pm

October 23, 30 - 90 min ZOOM sessions

Leadership: Kam McKim, Meditation and Mindful Movement teacher, a student of Jack Kornfield & Tara Brach

To register (it's free!) and for more information contact Kam:
wbmckim108@gmail.com

Nurturing Leadership in Worship

Sunday November 6th, 12:15-1:45pm Location: JBUC

Sanctuary. With questions or to indicate your interest, please contact Charlotte charlottedaystar@gmail.com or call the church office 250 384 5821.

Have you ever wondered how a worship service is put together? Could you imagine yourself offering some aspect of Leadership in worship on occasion?

If you feel drawn to either or both of these wonderings, the Worship Team has a workshop for you!

Charlotte Caron — both a Diaconal and Ordained Minister with a background in teaching courses in worship and preaching — will be offering a training session to enlighten, guide and equip people to feel comfortable and confident in Presiding at a worship service, reading the Scripture passage, and / or writing the Prayers of the People.

It is our hope that there are those among us who would feel drawn to this important aspect of worship leadership.

And just to be clear, showing up for the workshop doesn't commit you. Think of the workshop as offering a chance to be curious, to explore for yourself if this fits.