

Anthem: A New Year Carol Benjamin Britten

Prayers of the People

Jesus' Prayer

WE GO FORTH

***Hymn:** The First Nowell
(verses 1, 3, 5)

VU 91

***Commissioning and Benediction**

Postlude *Wir glauben all' an einen Gott* J.S.Bach
(We all believe in one God)



As we gather here on the unceded and ancestral land of the Coast Salish nations, let us be thankful that God is with us, calling us to be ministers of reconciliation, as light for all God's people.



Administration Office – 8:30am-4:00pm, Monday – Friday.

The church administration office is open weekdays; please drop in or call if you need any assistance. Of course, you may leave messages for staff at any time on their office voicemail extensions, as listed in the recorded message. Please note that the office will be closing at 1:00pm on Thursday, January 11, for an off-site event.

Submissions to the Sunday announcements. Do you have an announcement or event to share with the congregation? Please call the office at 604-266-5377 or email office@drmt.ca with your information by noon on Wednesday. For events, please include:

- Name of the event.
- Date, time and location.
- 2-3 sentences describing the event.
- Where to find more information, or a contact name and phone/email, if appropriate

Yes – Another Congregational Meeting

On January 14th following worship, there will be a congregational meeting. The Ministry Profile and Search Committee will be presenting to the congregation the community overview and ministry position descriptions needed to begin our search for new ministers, as we contemplate our future pathway.

2018 Offering Envelope Sets – Envelopes are now available for pick-up in the narthex. If you have not been issued a set and would like one, please contact Janet in the office. Alternatively, if you wish to change to monthly PAR (pre-authorized remittance), please fill out a PAR form available in the narthex and return it to the office at your convenience.

The official name change to Pacific Spirit United Church will not take effect for a few months. For now, please continue to make all cheques payable to Dunbar Ryerson United Church. We will advise you when the new name comes into effect.

Thank you for your patience as we navigate these exciting changes for our new congregation.

Opportunities for Fun and Fellowship

Wednesday morning Men's Walking Group – every Wednesday morning at 9:00am. Meet at the Locarno Beach Parking Lot at the north foot of Trimble Street for the month of January.

Men's Breakfast – Saturday, January 13th at 7:30am, at KNOX United Church, 5600 Balaclava Street. Join us for the first Knox/Dunbar Ryerson Men's Breakfast of 2018. All men are welcome.

Women's Book Club – Friday, January 26th from 10:15am to 12:00pm in the Dogwood Room, 2195 West 45th Avenue. All are welcome to join our discussion of *On Island* by Pat Carney. Our presenter will be Kathy Green. For further information, please contact Mary-Ann Dyson at 604-244-0820.

Opportunities to Learn

Fireside Women – Wednesday, January 17th at 2:00pm in the Fireside Room, 2195 West 45th Avenue. We warmly welcome new members. The guest speaker will be our own Cathy Cryder who will share a little of her own background and present insights into Nurturing the Spirit of a Child. Enter DOWN the stairs on the west side of the Memorial Centre closest to Yew Street.

Healing Pathway Workshop, Phase 2 – Friday, January 19th to Sunday, January 21st in the Fireside/Dogwood Room, 2195 West 45th Avenue. "Where Two or More Gather". An experiential and awakening workshop to help Healing Pathway practitioners deepen their supportive practice. For more information about this event, please see drmt.ca, or contact Judith Ann Donaldson at donaldson@telus.net.

The Seniors Working Group – Sunday, February 4th at 12:15pm, in the West Room, 2195 West 45th Avenue. Are You Ready for Tomorrow's Decisions? – *Conversations about Advance Care Planning to increase your comfort in discussing ACP with family and health care providers.* Join us beginning with a light lunch at 12:15, session from 1-3pm. Preregistration is required: swg.vancouver@gmail.com or 604-731-6307.

Opportunities to Serve

Tying Quilts for the Community – Thursday, January 25th from 9:30am to 2:30pm, in the Ethel Todrick Room, 3525 West 24th Avenue, and Saturday, February 3rd from 9:30am to 2:00pm in the East/West Room, 2195 West 45th Avenue. Come and try your hand at tying quilts. (No experience necessary!) Quilt tops and bottoms are ready to go, thanks to the Stitch & Chatter group, but they need to be put together. Come for an hour, or come for the day. Lunch will be provided! These quilts will be shared with the wider community. In the past, some have gone to First United Mission, Springhouse, and Covenant House. Sign up with Patricia Alexis (604-224-1104) or Lynda Magnuson (604-325-2254).

Welcome to Dunbar Ryerson United Church!

We are glad you have joined us for worship today. Please join us for refreshments after the service, in the hall in the Memorial Centre, across Yew Street from the sanctuary.

Facilitators of this morning's worship include

Presiders:

Debra Bowman

Brian Thorpe

Preacher:

Brian Thorpe

Director of Music:

Bryn Nixon

Organist:

Edward Norman

Chamber Choir

Prayers of the People:

Ken Reeder

Scripture Reader:

Eric Watts

ASL Interpreter:

Sara MacFayden

Nursery & Children's Program:

Natasha McConnell

Carmen Lee

Youth Ministry Program Director:

Molly Spaner

Coordinator:

Barry Morgan

Coffee Helpers:

Mary Elliott

Sabina Harpe

Doreen Fraser

Greeters:

Kathryn Williams

Peggy Whiteway

Patricia Alexis

Merrilee Thompson