



# WELCOME!

## Announcements March 3, 2024



# IMPORTANT DATES

Check out

[www.mcdunited.com/calendar](http://www.mcdunited.com/calendar)  
for more information

## **Friday - March 1**

- 1:30 pm World Day of Prayer
- 2:30 pm Intergenerational Club Meeting

## **Sunday - March 3**

- 10:30 am On-site & Online Service
- Soup's on Sunday

## **Monday - March 4**

- 11 am Homeschool Group

## **Tuesday - March 5**

- 11 am Bible Study
- 6:30 pm God at the Movies

## **Wednesday - March 6**

- 9 am Heritage Time Out
- 1 pm Exploring Life Through Writing and Discussion
- 6 pm "The Divine Dance" Lenten Book Study

## **Thursday - March 7**

- 12 pm Taste & Try
- 6 pm McDougall Singers Rehearsal
- 7:30 pm Sonica Treble Ensemble Rehearsal

## **Friday - March 8**

- 2:30 pm Intergenerational Club Meeting
- 7 pm RSVP deadline for \$10 tickets for the Family Dance

## **Saturday - March 9**

- 5 pm Family Dance

# IMPORTANT DATES

Here is a highlight  
of special events  
happening at the  
church

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- March 9: Family Dance 5 pm
- March 10: Pie Day
- April 6: Mama Mia 2 Singalong 7 pm
- June 7 – 9: Camp Kasota

# Refugee Update: Special Donation Request



Pictured: Mustafa's family in the Rafah  
Refugee Camp

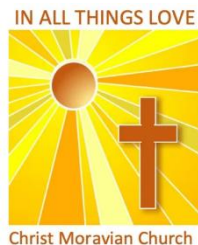


We need your help to support Mustafa's family (we supported them in 2017). Currently more than 200 members of their extended family are dead or missing. We need your help to support this family (shown in the photo) in the Rafah Refugee camp and raise money so they can eventually be moved somewhere safer.

Please consider donating to McDougall / Christ Moravian Refugee group through all the usual channels. Make sure you put “in support of Palestinian family” in the memo line.

Visit our website or look at the posters in the main hallway or Hospitality Hall to learn more.

**Thank you for your support so far!**



# Important Message Regarding the Congregational Survey



An invitation to complete a congregational survey went out by email. For those who do not have an email address or access to a computer, please contact the church office or Joanne Pritchard (403-870-2907) to complete the survey.

The deadline for completing the survey is March 22, 2024.

Your input is greatly appreciated!

# Soup's on Sunday: First Sunday of Each Month

Join us on the first Sunday of each month for a bowl of soup following the service.

Soup is available for a free will offering with all money raised going back to the church.

If you are interested in conversation, connection and laughter in the kitchen, consider joining us the Saturday before to prepare the soup. Contact the office or visit the website if you are interested.



BASED ON THE INCREDIBLE TRUE STORY

DIRECTED BY  
GEORGE CLOONEY

# THE BOYS IN THE BOAT

ONLY IN THEATERS CHRISTMAS DAY



## God at the Movies: “The Boys in the Boat”

We will be going to see “The Boys in the Boat” at Canyon Meadows at 6:45 pm on Tuesday, March 5. We will meet at 6:30pm. If time allows, we will go for coffee at Tim's at the corner of Southland and Fairmont.



BY GEORGE CLOONEY  
SCREENPLAY BY MARK L. SMITH

# Taste & Try: Try Out a Recipe & Learn About Cooking

**Next Session:  
March 7, 2024, at 12 pm**

Happens monthly on the first Thursday of the month in the McDougall kitchen.  
Seniors of all ages are welcome!

Advanced Registration is required, limited spots are available. Registration closes Monday, March 4 at 7:00 pm.

Register by calling the office or signing up online:

<https://www.mcdunited.com/calendar-events/taste-n-try-march-2024>





# Family Dance: Saturday, March 9 from 5 – 8 pm



Open Table has teamed up with the Monday Homeschool Group to bring you a family dance. We hope that you will be able to join us!

**Tickets cost \$10 per family if purchased in advance  
(by Friday, March 8 at 7 pm)  
\$15 Per Family at the door**

We will have a concession available where you will be able to purchase pizza, drinks and snacks at the event. We encourage you to bring cash.





# Pie Day: Sunday, March 10, 2024

**Why PIE? *PIE = Public. Intentional. Explicit.***

Those are the standards we hold ourselves and our welcome to when we seek to live into being Affirming, Welcoming, or Inclusive people and communities.

**We are looking for people to bake, buy or bring a pie to enjoy with everyone on March 10 after Sunday service.**

Please contact Marilyn Bates, sign up on the website or contact the office to let us know you are bringing a pie.



The Perfectly Imperfects Present...



## A CANADIAN ALBERTA AFTERNOON

*With our radio dial set at CPAC, we invite you to travel back in time for a fun-filled adventure as we simulate a live radio broadcast of music, commercials and surprising twists as we celebrate eight Canadian singers...*

*Paul Anka, Ian Tyson, Gordon Lightfoot, Leonard Cohen, Joni Mitchell, Neil Young, Anne Murray and Connie Kaldor!*

Written & Directed by Alison Demeter

Choreography by Pam Pickersgill

FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2024 1:30 pm  
SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024 7:00 pm  
McDOUGALL UNITED CHURCH  
8516 Athabasca St SE

TICKETS: \$15.00

For more information visit <https://perfectlyimperfectsyyc.blogspot.com/>

# A Canadian Alberta Afternoon

With our radio dial set at CPAC, we invite you to travel back in time for a fun-filled adventure as we simulate a live radio broadcast of music, commercials and surprising twists as we celebrate eight Canadian singers... Paul Anka, Ian Tyson, Gordon Lightfoot, Leonard Cohen, Joni Mitchell, Neil Young, Anne Murray and Connie Kaldor!

**Ticket Information:** Tickets cost \$15.00 plus Eventbrite service charge of \$2.31 and can be purchased through [eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)



# Good Friday Service at Red Deer Lake

We hope that you will join us at  
Red Deer Lake United Church  
on Friday, March 29 at 11 am for  
a Good Friday Service.

# Opera Buddies

Elixir of Love runs (January 18 – February 8) and is now full. There is still space for Das Rheingold (April 4 – April 25). Bring some family members and join in on the fun!

Free to Attend

Open to Everyone 12+

Includes Show at Jubilee

Thursday nights 4:30 – 5:45 pm at  
McDougall

To register or learn more visit:  
[Mcdunited.com/opera-buddies](http://Mcdunited.com/opera-buddies)



CHRISTINE PIERCE DOMINIC COLIN ANDY LILY  
BARANSKI BROSNAN COOPER FIRTH GARCIA JAMES

AMANDA STELLAN JULIE WITH MERYL  
SEYFRIED SKARSGÅRD WALTERS CHER AND STREEP

# MAMMA MIA!

— HERE WE GO AGAIN —



## Mamma Mia 2: Here We Go Again Singalong

Join us on April 6 for a screening of Mamma Mia 2: Here We Go Again! Sing along to ABBA's greatest hits. Dust off your disco moves and warm up those vocal chords as we enjoy this PG-rated musical.

We encourage you to dress up for the event in your best 70's outfit.

**Ticket prices per person:**  
•\$15 for drink, snack and movie

Limited tickets are available, please purchase tickets early to avoid disappointment.

<https://www.mcdunited.com/calendar-events/mamma-mia-2-here-we-go-again-singalong>



# Camp Kasota Family Weekend

## June 7 – 9, 2024



Join us June 7 - 9, 2024, for a weekend of fun and relaxation.  
Price includes a bed for 2 nights, 5 meals, and a snack.

- Adult \$105
- Child \$85

To learn more and register about what is included, please visit our webpage: [www.mcdunited.com/camp-kasota](http://www.mcdunited.com/camp-kasota)



Fish Creek  
United Church



# We Have a Coffee Machine!

“The Bean Hive” has arrived at McDougall. You can find the machine in the Cozy Corner (by the Reconciliation Mural in the southwest corner of the building).

Machine takes coins or tokens. Tokens can be purchased through the office. 10 for \$15.



COFFEE



HOT  
CHOCO



FRENCH  
VANILLA



CAPPUCCINO



LATTE







# Homeschool Group: Registration Open for Winter 2024

Homeschooling families are invited to join us for  
our 2024 Winter Session.

January 22 – May 13, 2024

Sign up for the weeks you would like to attend.  
\$14 per family for each week plus a \$20 insurance  
cost. Save money by attending all sessions.

Mondays from 11 – 2 pm in Hospitality Hall

Register and learn more:

[Mcdunited.com/homeschool-group](https://mcdunited.com/homeschool-group)





# Bible Study: Tuesdays at 11 am in the Chapel

Join Rev Joanne Anquist, Rev Bill Weaver or Rev. Danah Cox for a Bible study every Tuesday at 11 am.

We hope to see you there!



JOAN  
CHITTISTER

*"A philosopher... and a writer of the words she has found and seen." -LISA TUOHY*



THE GIFT  
OF YEARS

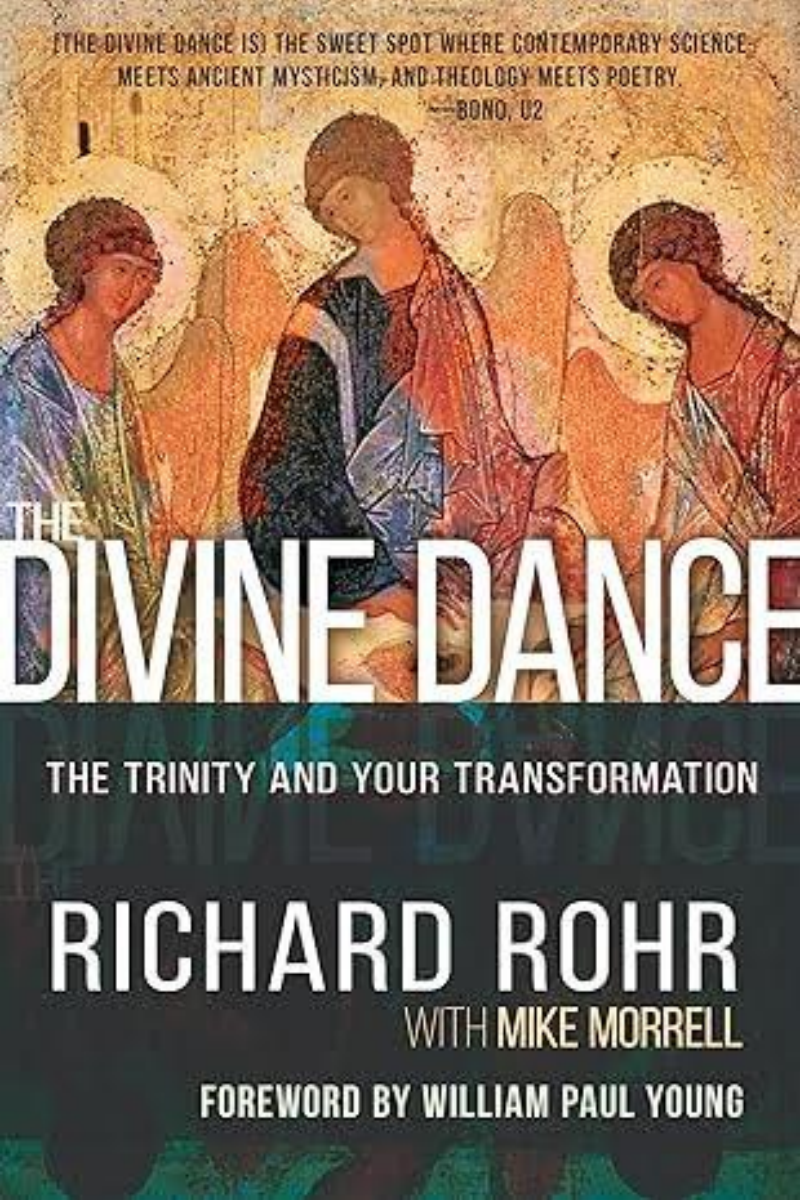
*Growing Older Gracefully*

# EXPLORING LIFE THROUGH WRITING AND DISCUSSION

You are invited to the continuing sessions of Exploring Life through Discussions and Writing.

We meet every Wednesday afternoon from 1:00 to 2:30 pm in the M&M room beginning on Jan. 24 and continuing until April 24. We use short opinion pieces from “The Gift of Year, Growing Old Gracefully” by Joan Chittister to initiate our discussions; and share personal written stories inspired by our memories.

For further information email Marianne  
Medhurst, [m3dhurst@shaw.ca](mailto:m3dhurst@shaw.ca) or Marilyn  
Shoults, [mshoults3@gmail.com](mailto:mshoults3@gmail.com)



## Lent book study: "The Divine Dance" by Richard Rohr

We hope that you will join us for a Lenten book study.

This book study will use "The Divine Dance" by Richard Rohr and will begin **Wednesday, February 21st at 6PM** and continue through the season of Lent. Rev. Danah will also be leading the study at Red Deer Lake United on Thursdays at 7 pm .

Please contact the office if you are interested in learning more or to sign up: [office@mcdunited.com](mailto:office@mcdunited.com)

# Choir Rehearsals

All are Welcome, No Prior Experience Required  
McDougall Singers Rehearse Thursdays at 6 pm  
Sonica Treble Ensemble Rehearse Thursdays at 7:30 pm



# Life of the Church: Monthly Updates



Want to know what is happening in the church? Check out our weekly email blast or visit link on the homepage.

To send in an update, email [prayers@mcdunited.com](mailto:prayers@mcdunited.com)

# McDougall Staff

Worship and Congregational Leadership Minister	-	Rev. Joanne Anquist
Family and Community Minister	-	Rev. Danah Cox
Contemporary Music Leader	-	Tanya Wan Lim
Choral Music Leader	-	Justin Macosky
Pastoral Care	-	Rev. Bill Weaver
Office Administrator	-	Jen Heidebrecht
Communications Coordinator	-	Sarah Reuangrith
Caretaker/ Handyman	-	Jerimiah Laquette
Facilities Coordinator	-	John Naylor

# We are a Scent Sensitive Building



We all share the same air,  
please be respectful when  
using scents.

Scent free or lighter scents  
on Sunday is appreciated.



# Don't Forget Your Reusable Coffee Mug!

If you didn't get one, please talk to the office.

Bring your reusable mug filled with coffee to the church and enjoy it during the service. Then get a refill in the Hospitality Hall during coffee time.

You bringing your own mug makes the clean up from coffee time much faster.

Our volunteers thank you!



## Ways to Give Ogden (403-630-5633)

1. Mail a cheque payable to Ogden United Church.
2. Online Through Canada Helps.
3. Donate by e-Transfer, [ogdenminister@shaw.ca](mailto:ogdenminister@shaw.ca)
4. Sign up for PAR.

## Ways to Give McDougall (403-252-1620)

1. Donate by e-Transfer, [office@mcdunited.com](mailto:office@mcdunited.com)
2. On our website, [www.mcdunited.com](http://www.mcdunited.com)
3. Mail a cheque payable to McDougall United Church.
4. Sign up for PAR.
5. Support the Gift Card program



# Thank You!

Thank you to  
everyone who helped  
with our service.

