

CHRISTMAS EVE 2023, 4 PM

McDougall and Ogden United Joint Service Christmas Eve 2023 4:00 PM

Prelude Tanya Wan Lim

Pre-Service Video The Other Shepherd Skit Guys

Call to Worship

Opening Carol O Come All Ye Faithful (vs 1,5) VU 60

Centering Prayer

Assurance of Grace

Passing the Christmas Peace

THE CANDLES OF CHRISTMAS

Scene: A Very Special Child Zechariah Meets an Angel

Carol Little Drummer Boy screen

Lighting the Candle of Hope

Scene: A Very Special Child Elizabeth and Mary Share Their News

Song Mary Did You Know (Lowry, Green) Adam Schlinker

Lighting the Candle of Peace

Scene: A Very Special Child John is Born

Carol Angels We Have Heard on High VU 38

Lighting the Candle for Joy

Scene: A Very Special Child Jesus is Born

Lighting the Candle for Love

Carol Medley While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks (1, 3,6) VU 75
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (vs 1,3) VU 48

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Christmas Prayer

Christmas Blessing

Carol Silent Night VU 67

Benediction

Carol Joy to the World VU 59

Welcome!

McDougall's Affirming Statement: We strive to be a community of faith where all are welcomed in their diversity, and where we share with each other our struggles, our triumphs and our joys, with deep respect for our differences. We commit to moving beyond being "a welcoming church" to being an inclusive community, where we will be a safe space for all to Seek Wholeness in Christ and Share God's Love.



McDougall & Ogden Ministers (Left to Right) Rev. Bill Weaver

(Ogden Minister as well as McDougall Pastoral Care)

Rev. Danah Cox

(McDougall Family & Community Minister)

Rev. Joanne Anquist

(McDougall Worship and Congregational Leadership Minister)

- Sunday Worship On-site and Online Starts 10:30 am
- Our service runs about one hour and 15 minutes.
- You are invited to light a candle in remembrance, in joy, or in hope, as part of our service ritual.
- McDougall's office is open Tuesday to Friday from 10 to 2 pm.
- Call Ogden United or Rev. Bill Weaver for info on when the office is open for Ogden.

We acknowledge the history, culture and spirituality of the Siksika, Kainai, Pikani, Tsuut'ina and Nakoda peoples of Treaty 7, and their traditional territories within which McDougall United Church resides. We are proud, as Canadians, to share in the ongoing Treaty relationship with Indigenous people, and in the special relationship we honour with the Metis Nation of Alberta and their many members in Region 3 (Calgary-Southern Alberta)

Ways to Give to 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
- 4. Sign up for PAR

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

- 1. Donate by e-Transfer, office@mcdunited.com
- 2. On Our Website, www.mcdunited.com
- 3. Mail a cheque payable to McDougall United Church.
- 4. Sign up for PAR
- 5. Support the Gift Card Program



Check out www.mcdunited.com/calendar for more information

Dec 23 - Jan 1

 McDougall and Ogden Offices closed for Christmas

Christmas Eve

- 4 pm service on-site and online
- 7 pm service on-site and online

Sunday December 31

- 10:30 am service on-site and online

Tuesday, January 2, 2024!

- 10 am Offices reopen
- 7 pm God at the Movies



Holiday Closures

Office is Closed for Christmas

Office closes Friday, December 22 at 2 pm and then reopens January 2 at 10 am

There is an in-person and online service on Sunday, December 31, 2023

Please be advised that there will be no Email Blast on December 29



Bible Study: Tuesdays at 11 am in the Chapel

Bible Study will not be happening over the Christmas break. Starts back January 9, 2024

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!





Choir Rehearsals - Starts back January 11, 2024

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





Hope Quest 6 Week Art Therapy Group

Facilitated by Suzanne Styles

Growth and inspiration through creativity!

Learn to cultivate and nurture HOPE throughout the various seasons and circumstances of your life!

No "artistic ability" needed. All supplies included.

Costs \$250 per person, 10% off if registered by December 15

Starts Tuesday, January 16, 2024, from 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Opera Buddies



There are still spots for Elixir of Love (January 18 – February 8) and 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



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

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



Next Session: February 1, 2023, 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, January 29 at 7:00 pm.

Register by calling the office or signing up online:

https://www.mcdunited.com/calendar-



Open Table: King Cake & Mask Making Party Celebrating Carnival Saturday, February 10 4 – 6 pm

All ages are invited to join us for Mask Making followed by dinner.

\$5 Registration Fee, Donations Accepted at the Door

Limited Tickets Available, please purchase by Wednesday, February 7 at 1 pm on our website:

https://www.mcdunited.com/calendarevents/open-table-february-2024





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 \$100 (Early Bird Pricing Ends Feb 29)
- Child \$80 (Early Bird Pricing Ends Feb 29)

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







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https://www.mcdunited.com/communications





Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 10 — 2 p.m. P: 403-252-1620.email: office@mcdunited.com www.mcdunited.com



Ogden: office at McDougall United Phone: 403-630-5633 for office hours