GLOBAL UPDATE BY PASTOR HOLLY

Ramadan: Starting today, March 10, through April 9 is the 9th month of the Islamic calendar, the holy month for all Muslim people. It is a month of deep spiritual reflection, fasting, and celebration. Their history tells us this period is believed to be when the Prophet Mohammed received the Qur'an, their holy book. As one of the pillars of their faith, for the entire month they will fast from sun-up to sun-down (precise times vary) in an effort to reflect, show self-restraint, and feel a warmth from Allah. For this time they fast from all earthly distractions during daylight hours.

Pray for our workers in the Middle East and Central Asia (Don and Betty Orr) where most countries considered part of these regions are predominantly Muslim. Pray for them as they love and serve these people. Pray for dreams, visions, and encounters with Jesus. This is actually a very real thing that happens and many Muslims find Jesus because they are able to recognize that Jesus has come to them. With a heightened openness to spiritual things, pray hearts and minds are ignited with truth and light.

OUR PASTORAL STAFF

FULL-TIME

Matt Mordaunt (Sharilyn) Lead Pastor

Greg Zacharias (Jennifer) Executive & Worship Pastor
Everitt Born (Stefanie) Youth & Young Adults Pastor

PART-TIME

Noel Santos (Crista) Connections Pastor | Encircle Ministries
Carol Goh (Andrew) Seniors, Community & Spiritual Care Pastor

Anna Carr (Dain)Children's & Family PastorHolly DukeMissions & Engagement PastorChantal Roberts (Jeremy)Worship & Media Communications

Leon Throness (Carol) Encounter Ministries Director
Wayne Massey (Hilarie) Vision Tree & Outreach Director

OUR ELDERS

Neil Froc (Melody)

(Chair) Bob Derksen (Bev)

Laurie Throness Bryant Yeomans (Beverly)

(Vice Chair) Jon Freeman (Liz)

Derek Van Oosterom (Becky) (Treasurer) Micah Galmut (Brittany)

Kelly Heibner (Becky)

Jeremy Roberts (Chantal)

(Secretary)

PRAYER CHAIN

To contact the prayer chain with a prayer request please phone Alice Reimer at 604.823.6880 or Min Wendel at 604.845.2503. For those wishing to inform the pastoral staff please call 604.792.0051



WELCOME!

March 10, 2024

We live in a culture and society where people are blending different beliefs and practices to form something new. Or what seems right in their own eyes.

As followers of Jesus we are consistently enticed or pressured into blending our beliefs and practices in a way that can set us apart FROM God...

What can we do to guard ourselves while drawing people to the hope and purpose of Jesus?

We can lead ourselves, lead together, and lead others for a purpose that is bigger than ourselves.

We're so glad you're here.

Visitor Information

Whether you are new or have attended for a long time, we are so glad to see you!

You will find brief descriptions of some of our current ministry opportunities in these pages. For loads more information please visit our website at mycac.ca, and visit the Guest Services Centre in the foyer with any questions you may have.

Contact Us

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Office Hours Mon - Fri | 9 AM - 4 PM (Closed all stat holidays)

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MARCH

11 Monday 6:30 PM | Alpha 7 PM | J Bos Small Group

9:30 AM | Ladies Morning Break 2 PM | Pickleball 6:30 PM | Picklebal 7 PM | Ladies Bible

13 Wednesday 10 AM | Oasis Praye Group 1 PM | Knit & Natter 7 PM | Youth Group

9:30 AM | Connect & Play 1:30 PM | Bible Study 7 PM | Floor Hockey

15 Friday 12 | St. Patrick's Day Seniors Lunch

16 Saturday 10 AM | Oasis Coffee 10 AM | Men's Semina

8:30 AM | Book Study with Pastor Carol 10 AM | Celebration Service & Kids Church 11:30 AM | Young Adults

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

MEN, come join us in the APR on Saturday, March 16th as Toni Dolfo-Smith speaks on being a disciple of Christ in today's culture. Join us from 10 AM to 2 PM, with a sandwich bar intermission. Men of all ages are welcome. Cost is \$20 per person. Check out the website under events to register, and for further information!

For the month of March our church will be supporting the work of the Salvation Army by having a food donation bin in the foyer (non perishable food only). The bin is close to the library, along the exterior window wall. Place your items in the bin and we'll take care of the rest. Thank you!

Camp Homewood, a non-denominational Christian summer camp on Quadra Island, is looking to recruit two key staff positions. They are needing a year round Barn and Horse Manager, and a Red Seal Chef to join the team onsite, year round, as a Food Service Manager. If you have any interest or know of anyone who might, you can connect with Cherylynn Cairns at 1.250.285.3483.

Ladies Day Out: Nurturing Souls One Prayer at a Time... We have a one day retreat coming up on Saturday, April 13th at Kawkawa Camp & Retreat Centre. Join us for a time of learning, worship, and fellowship. Our speaker is from Alberta, but left her cowgirl roots behind, moving to the Lower Mainland in 2000. She is a compassionate and creative person, and someone whose life has been profoundly changed by her relationship with Jesus. For more than 20 years she has worked in discipleship ministry. mentoring leaders nationally and internationally. Our worship leader has decades of experience and has toured extensively, sharing her music with the world. You won't want to miss this exciting opportunity. Visit mycac.ca/ events to learn more and to register. Cost is \$40 per person and includes lunch, snacks, and coffee. For an additional \$5 vou can opt to get a ride to Kawkawa on the bus we're renting for the day.

A reminder to please check the mailboxes by the library (north end of the foyer) for any items or mail that someone may have left for you!

WiFi: CAC Guest
Pswd: Deep&Wide

If your small group is looking for fresh material or if you want to grow and study on your own, check out RightNow Media. You can get access to a free account by contacting Debbie at: office@mycac.ca.

During service from 10-11:15, nursery, toddler & preschool childcare is available. Kindergarten to Grade 5 kids will be invited up to Children's Church during the service.

CHURCH NEWS

We extend our sincere condolences to Agnes Loewen and family on the sudden passing of David Loewen, on Monday March 4th. A celebration of his life will be held here at CAC on Friday, April 19th at 1:30 PM. Thank you for praying for their family at this time.



We are once again offering daffodils for \$10 to place in the church in memory of a loved one and to help make the church beautiful for Easter Sunday. They will be in a 6 inch pot, the regular size flower, and fragrance free. Please sign up at the Guest Services counter or the church office.

You will have your name and your loved ones name on a card with the flower. Please pick up following the Easter service. Thank you.

St. Patrick's Day Lunch for Seniors - Join us on Friday, March 15th, at 12 noon in the All Purpose Room! We will talk about Saints Patrick and Brigid and sing your favorite hymns. The menu is soups, wraps, and dessert. Cost is \$10 each. You can register and pay by going to the events page on our website at mycac.ca, or in the foyer after the service. Please let Carol know if you need assistance by emailing her at carol@mycac.ca.

Sunday morning lyric sheets are available for your use each week. They can be picked up at the Guest Services counter and at the tables just inside the sanctuary.

ENGAGE | ENCIRCLE | ENCOUNTER

ENGAGE: If you are interested in learning more about baptism, membership, or discovering your spiritual gifting, we would love to hear from you. Contact Pastor Matt at 604.792.0051, or by email at matt@mycac.ca to find out more!

ENCIRCLE: An important part of growing deeper with Jesus is to be encircled by 'our people.' People whom we share things in common with like interests, values, shared experiences, similar back grounds and so on. Email noel@mycac.ca if you'd like to get plugged into a small group or scan the QR code to take next steps!



ENCOUNTER: "There is not on earth a lonely spot where a Christian cannot live and be spiritually victorious if God sends him there." ~ A.W. Tozer

Want to receive Pastor Leon's weekly blog directly? Send a note to Debbie at: office@mycac.ca to get signed up.

JOIN A TEAM

Using your gifts to serve the church is an important aspect of the Christian life. You can give us a call at the office, talk to one of the pastors, or shoot us an email/phone call to find out more about the opportunities available!

Are you new to Chilliwack Alliance?
Drop by the Guest Services Centre after the service.
Bring your Connection Card - we have a gift for you to take home!