

Cordova Bay United Church

July 5, 2026
Announcements

Keep in Touch

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Here are all the programs and activities
happening at CBUC

July 5 — July 11

Church activities are listed in Yellow.

Sunday, July 5

- **Worship, 10am, Sanctuary**

Monday, July 6

- Jazzercise, 6pm, Hall

Tuesday, July 7

- Jazzercise, 8:30am, Hall
- IH Adult Day Program, 9:30am—3pm, Hall
- **Worship Meeting, 9:45am, Friendship Room**
- Zumba, 5pm, Hall

Wednesday, July 8

- Jazzercise, 6pm, Hall
- Sing Together Choir, 6:30pm, Friendship Room

Thursday, July 9

- Jazzercise, 8:30am, Hall
- Zumba, 5pm, Hall

Friday, July 10

- Jazzercise, 8:30am, Hall
- Yoga, 1pm, Hall

Summer Ministry Support

Pastor Beth Parsons will be on holidays for July and August. Rev. Hilde J. Seal will be our worship leader for those two months with the exception of August 2, when Bill Walker will provide worship leadership and August 9, when Rev. Al Fowler will provide worship leadership.

Pastoral care concerns can be directed to the office, 250-658-5911, office@cbunited.ca.

Summer Office Support

The Programs Assistant, Jesse Moffat, will be offering office support until August 28. Jesse will be working on-site Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9am to 2pm. Voicemail and Emails will be checked regularly.

Summer Music Support

With Sharon Prindle-Collins returning as Music Director in September, Karen Shumka will be providing music leadership for July and August, with the exception of August 16, when Sharon will provide support.

Summer Food Campaign: Please Help Us Cure the Summertime Blues!



While summer is a season of vacation for many, it is one of the hardest times for families struggling with food insecurity. When school is out, children lose access to meal programs, and food donations typically decline as people head away on holidays. Right now, hunger is going up, but donations are going down.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Vancouver Island is working to support people who are vulnerable to food insecurity and are looking to those who can help over these challenging summer months.

Learn more at:
ssvpvancouverisland.ca/cure-the-summertime-blues

Spirit Kids Notice:

During July and August the Spirit Kids are invited to remain for the entire service. There are special activities at the Spirit Kids table.



Summer Bocce Fun

It's that time of year again! We are getting ready to start up our 5th Ethel Wilson Summer Bocce Ball League. It is open to all women. Bring a friend.

We will follow last year's schedule. We will go every Monday 1:15 - 3:30 during July and August.

If you cannot make a Monday, NO problem. Come when you can. Being summer we know you will have holidays and company may show up. Not to worry. We will just work around it.

Our first day will be July 6th.

We thank Linda Snelling for hosting us again this year on The Keith Snelling Memorial Field (6356 Oldfield Road).

We have ONE goal to have fun, many laughs and enjoy the sun and summer with friends. (I guess that's 3 goals) Don't want to play just come and socialize.

You will need to bring your own chair and a beverage if you wish.



Majda and Elena sign a lease agreement for the new Our Learning Garden preschool and daycare.

Carrot Seed Preschool marks final day

Carrot Seed Preschool celebrated the end of school — and its final year — with a party on June 24.

Families, friends, and teachers past and present joined together to in the festive fun. Fittingly, there was carrot cake for all.

Carrot Seed Preschool closed its doors after 37 years in operation.

Cordova Bay United Church congregation offers heartfelt thanks to the preschool's wonderful teachers, and to the board of directors who led Carrot Seed in its final years: Rick McMahon, Pat Taylor and Heather McNab.

CBUC owned Carrot Seed since its beginning in 1989. Every year at its annual meeting, the congregation elected the preschool's directors. However, for a number of years it has been difficult to fill the positions on the board, and in the last few years there have been persistent vacancies.

Church council agreed that having a preschool on the church property is consistent with the church's mission work in the community.

So rather than just shutting the doors, the church sold the preschool to two Carrot Seed teachers: Majda Rashid and Elena Figueroa Ibarra.

Majda and Elena have created a new preschool and daycare called Our Learning Garden, which will operate out of the Carrot Seed space.

This week, the church signed a five-year lease agreement with Our Learning Garden, to begin on July 1.

The school will run a summer camp through July for three-to five-year-olds. It will begin its regular daycare and preschool in the fall. And already there is a waiting list.

The school will be open year round for children 18 months to five years.

From Our Affirming Committee:

Broad View United Church has secured space for a United Church contingent in the 2026 Victoria Pride Parade and would like to invite congregations across Southern Vancouver Island to walk together.

For more information, please email Broad View UC at janiena@broadviewunited.com and/or complete this form (<https://form.jotform.com/261485709372061>).

Walk with us at the

Victoria Pride Parade 2026

Sunday, July 12 at 11 am

More details to come



Scan the QR code or email info@broadviewunited.com to receive updates as we receive them from the Victoria Pride Society



Local Food Security Organizations



**SAANICH
PENINSULA**
LIONS FOOD BANK

Saanich Peninsula Lions Food Bank is a non-profit, charitable organization that provides food hampers designed to supplement a client's food needs.

**THE
MUSTARD
SEED**

STREET CHURCH

The Mustard Seed Street Church has been fighting hunger and restoring faith since 1975. Their food bank provided 600,000 pounds of food, beverages and hygiene products, equivalent of an estimated 480,000 meals or 1,300+ meals per day.

**living
edge**

Living Edge works in collaboration with Food Share Network, Mustard Seed Food Bank and the Salvation Army to secure food from grocery stores and other food providers. The organization has seven markets in operation.

**rainbow
kitchen**
Filling the Belly, Feeding the Soul

Rainbow Kitchen is regarded as a hub for food security programming in the Capital Regional District. Providing free hot meals and facilitating food sharing to anyone in need.

FATEH CARE

Fateh Care Charity provides support to people who are looking for a helping hand in tough times. Their mobile food bank is available to all those who are struggling for food and also do not have transport to go out and shop.

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Check out more programs at
Saanich Food Assistance Program