

Agassiz United Church Announcements

May 3, 2026

Greeter: Verna & Doug **Reader:** Doug

Refreshments: Mary Mur., Debbie, Alison, Barb

Those who attended last Thursday's Earth Day presentation learned about the important work of the **Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFB)** and were moved by **Jet Takaota's** passion to help the world's vulnerable. CFB is a partnership of 15 churches working together to end global hunger. The United Church provides monetary support through the Mission & Service Fund. The audience learned how CFB programs and projects have helped tens of thousands of people and their communities, many of whom face increased hardships due to global warming.

When the American administration dismantled USAID last year, crucial global aid was slashed. Other organizations have tried to ramp up assistance, but struggle to fill the huge gap. Jet asked for us to please "**give, pray, learn, and advocate**". If you would like to donate to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, for the next 2 weeks, donations can be included through regular offering or by e-transfer. Just include a note (on an envelope or memo line) of the amount that is to go to the CFB. To learn more about the Foodgrains Bank and the emergency aid and long term, sustainable programs it facilitates, visit the website: <https://www.foodgrainsbank.ca> .

Thanks to those who attended the presentation, to Cindy for arranging the speaker, and to those who assisted with clean up after the conversation/pizza time.

Toward 2025 Conversation: Wednesday May 6 @ 1:00 – 4:00 PM, Gladwin Heights United Church, Abbotsford. You're invited to join Treena Duncan and Kathy Davies for (in-person) conversation about the future of the church. This Lower Mainland East gathering will bring local communities of faith together to connect with one another and with the wider region. Participants will explore the United Church's [Toward 2035](#) vision, reflect on data specific to the local area, and begin imagining a shared path forward for sustaining and strengthening our ministry. This is a space for connection, curiosity, and collaboration. "Together, we'll share wisdom, listen deeply, and consider new ways of working alongside neighbouring communities of faith."

Ron Klusmeier Concert: Monday, May 25, @ 7:00 PM, Carman United Church. Admission by donation. Ron is a talented composer, accompanist, and choir director. **He composed many hymn tunes included in Voices United and More Voices.** In addition, his compositions are featured in many other denominational hymnals in Canada, the U.S., and beyond. Further details about the concert will follow.

Regular Church Happenings:

Wednesday Coffee Time: 10:00 to 11:00 AM

Men's Breakfast: 1st Thursday of the month

UCW meetings: 3rd Wednesday of the month @ 4:00 PM

Upcoming Services and Events:

Wednesday, May 6 @ 1:00-4:00 PM

Thursday, May 7 @ 8:00 AM

Friday, May 8 @ 7:30 PM

Saturday, May 23

Monday, May 25 @ 7:00 PM

Saturday, May 30 @ 2:00 PM

Toward 2035 Conversation, Gladwin Heights UC

Men's Breakfast, Horn of Plenty Restaurant

Cascade Chorus presents "From Sea to Sea", Riverside Church

Wild Church (details to follow)

Ron Klusmeier Casual Concert, Carman UC

Celebration of Life in Memory of Ron Rodger