

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SSI UNITED

November 20th, 2011

This Week at the Church:

- Today:** Extended Care Worship - Lady Minto Hospital: 1:30 pm.
- Wednesday:** Choir - 3 to 5 pm.
Greening the Church: 9 am. to Noon
Annual Reports are due!
- Thursday:** UCW meeting: 10 am. LH
Extended Care Worship -
Greenwoods: 10:45 am.
Book Study: 7 to 9 pm. - UH
- Friday:** Book Study: 10 am. to Noon. - UH
WinterFaire set up: 12:30 pm. - LH & UH
- Saturday:** WinterFaire: 9:30 to 4:30

Office Hours:

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday:
9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

This morning we will be presenting an opportunity for a second offering. Monies collected will go to the Minister's Compassionate Fund which is used to purchase Thrifty's "Smile Cards" worth \$15.00 each, for a purchase of groceries only at Thrifty's, given out to those in need who come to the Church office.

The "Greening" of the Church will take place in the morning of Wed. Nov. 23rd from 9 until noon. It is a lovely way to prepare for the Advent Season. We will need someone to pick up, deliver and set up at tree. We'll also need lots of boughs, lavender, rosemary and the like. Come whenever you can and stay as long as you like.

Jams and Pickles

Now is the time to be setting aside extra jars of jams, jellies, and all kinds of pickled preserves. It would be nice to have a large display this year because we ran out early last year. Please do not price your produce. We will be pricing them by weight.

AUCTION ACTION NEEDED!

1. We need a volunteer truck and driver to pick up items from people. (PLEASE AND THANK YOU!)
2. Remember to sign the donation sheet in the Narthex if you have something for the auction.
3. Bring auction items to the Upper Hall on Thursday, **November 24th**, between Noon and 3 p.m. If you are unable to drop off on November **24th**, please call Lori: 250-931-8034.

----- **UNITED CHURCH WOMEN (UCW) Update**

Dates of future meetings and events:

Nov. 25, Friday:

Afternoon set-up for **WinterFaire**

Nov. 26, Saturday: 9:00 to 3:00:



WINTERFAIRE:

Those who might help out or contribute please contact one of the leaders: (or Anna Camping or Marilyn McDowell, who will attempt to coordinate).

Please note that we need some additional volunteers to staff the tables!

Café	Lise Poitras, Frances Eide
Silent Auction	Ruth Burstahler, Lori Hudson-Fish
Shortbread	Burgoyne Ladies/ Sharon Hawke
Home Baking	
Recipes in a Jar	Arlene D., Deb Olson, Betty Thompson
Jams and Pickles	Sally Carr
Crafted Gifts	Trish Morgan
Denims	Lloyd Berntsen
Christmas Crackers	Frances Eide
Christmas Cards	
Fish Pond	Donna Mort

(Small items for young persons are sought!)

Other ideas are welcome!

Dec. 7, Wednesday 11:30:

UCW Christmas Luncheon at the Golden
Island Restaurant

Dec. 10, Saturday

Cookie Walk: Lori Hudson-Fish

*Please spread the word in the community about
WINTERFAIRE and the Cookie Walk!*

"Thoughtful Thursdays" began Thursday
November 3rd at 9:30 a.m.

Some of you have asked how you may be assured
of purchasing Tourtiere or chicken pies without
depleting our supply for the general public at the
Winter Faire. I will start up an order list of your
wishes. If there are not enough pies available at the
end of the Faire to fill this list I will then make
additional pies to be available the following week.
Each pie will be \$18 and all proceeds will go to the
Winter Faire. See me after today's service or call me
at 537-1078. Lise Poitras



The next Men's Breakfast, on Thursday,
December 1st, at 8:30 a.m. at the Church, will be for
members and their significant others.
Please plan to attend!



The next Bridge will be Thursday,
December 8th, from 12:45 to 3 p.m., in the
Upper Hall. Please call Mary Fraser to sign up:
250-537-9849. The cost is \$4.00.

This will be the last Bridge (really, this time!) held
at the Church; future games will be held at 'Seniors'
for Seniors'.

Please contact Mary for details.



The date for this year's Cookie Walk has been set
for Saturday, December 10 from 9 - 12. Start
looking through your cookbooks for interesting
cookie recipes. Watch the upcoming bulletins for
updates. For information call Lori: 250-931-8034.



Once again our Church is sponsoring the
Christmas Day Community Dinner started by Gary
Fletcher 11 years ago. Many of you have

contributed to its success over this time, and again
this year, volunteers are needed to ensure that
everyone who wishes can enjoy a holiday feast in a
context that reflects the true spirit of Christmas.
Please contact Diane Lugsdin (250-537-0284;
johndiane.lugsdin@gmail.com)
or Tom Mitchell (250-653-4353;
tommymitchell@shaw.ca) to discuss how you can
contribute. Needed are: advance cooks for turkeys,
lasagna, ham; December 24th set up and kitchen
prep; Christmas Day kitchen crew, servers and take
down, and a myriad other tasks. Thank you for
helping make this well appreciated event a reality
for one more year! The Social Justice Committee

First Aid Volunteers are required at First
Metropolitan Church in Victoria during the
Epiphany Explorations conference January 19th to
23rd, 2012. Please see the notice posted in the
Narthex for details, or visit: www.cucvictoria.com.
email for information to:
wellness@firstmetvictoria.com or make@shaw.ca

The Life Story Project is ongoing. To date, we have
8 completed stories. The Life Story Project box is in
the office under the counter if you want to
participate.
For more info, contact Lori: 250-937-8034



Please remember to write your
November celebrations on the
sheet of paper on the Library door!
