

# News & Notes

## Richmond Presbyterian Church

Deep with God, Wide with the World

November 27, 2022

Be sure to check out our webpage at [www.richpres.com](http://www.richpres.com) for more information about worship services or online programs and how we can share in your faith journey.

It's our pleasure to welcome our guest preacher, Rev. Rebecca Simpson, for the 1<sup>st</sup> Advent Sunday worship service. Rebecca Simpson is the Director of Presbyterian Formation and Academic Programs Administrator at VST. She is the former Minister of St. Paul's PC in Mission BC where she still lives. She continues to serve the Westminster Presbytery as the Camp Douglas Committee Convener and the national church as a member of the Church Doctrine Committee and a Cyclical PCC coach for church planters.



**Holy Night:** We are so excited that it is that time of year again! Please mark your calendars for **December 2nd at 7pm** for a warm celebration of music, fellowship, and carol sing-alongs! All are invited. The Care and Fellowship team are preparing yummy treats and drinks, while other fun surprises await!



Fair Trade Fair, sponsored by Kairos Canada. You may have remembered this from previous times, before Covid. Besides interesting crafts, there will be tables with social justice organizations, musical entertainment and special Filipino food for takeout.



**Dec 4 is Communion Sunday.** Please join us for worship so we can partake of the Sacrament of Communion together. **Benevolent Fund:** On Communion Sundays we encourage donations to the Benevolent Fund. This fund is used for special needs within the congregation and our community.



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Christmas is a magical season that brings joy, love, and togetherness.

Our **Annual Christmas Pageant** is back! It's happening on Dec 11, as an "on-the-spot" pageant featuring readings, carols, and action. As always, it is one of the most exciting and enriching church events of the year, when everyone gets involved, and we have so much



**Christmas Cantata:** On **Sunday, December 18th**, the RPC Choir will be presenting at the morning worship service a luscious and beautiful cantata titled "A Winter Rose" by Joseph Martin. Looking forward to sharing it with all of you!

**Faith formation for children** takes place today after the Scripture reading and Anthem.

**Teen time online** takes place this evening, 7.00-7.45 pm.

**Join us for an Advent Series** Wednesdays 7.30-8.30 pm, Nov 30 (online), and Dec 7, 14 and 21 (at RPC), based around Dr Kate Bowler's Advent Reader "The Season of Waiting" (<https://katebowler.com/advent-2022/>). Please download the reader this weekend; daily reflections begin on November 27.

**What Are We Waiting For? Advent Reflections with the Leaders of the Anglican, Evangelical Lutheran, Presbyterian and United Churches,** [https://presbyterian.ca/2022/11/08/ecumenical-advent/?fbclid=IwAR1mg1mmZCyptkkDZZdWnY5qudWGfqwlb0dBJeFk82lqj3\\_DTutfcu0hUQE](https://presbyterian.ca/2022/11/08/ecumenical-advent/?fbclid=IwAR1mg1mmZCyptkkDZZdWnY5qudWGfqwlb0dBJeFk82lqj3_DTutfcu0hUQE)



We extend our deepest condolences to the family of James Muir, who passed away on Nov 14<sup>th</sup>, in Powell River. A memorial for him via Zoom is arranged on Dec 3 at 10am Pacific. If interested, please send an email to [jamesrankinmuir@gmail.com](mailto:jamesrankinmuir@gmail.com) for the link.

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**'Box Set Envelopes' for 2023?** Box sets for 2023 will be available on December 4. Contact Heather if you wish to receive box sets or contribute through PAR



**Outreach Committee**, wishes to thank everyone for their support and generosity. They have served 5,207 meals from January - November 14.



Starting Sunday December 4th, they will place an empty **'Manger'** at the chancel, for donations of winter toques, gloves, scarfs (for any ages), new underwear (for adults), and gifts (for children). If you bring a wrapped gift, please label it with anticipated age and gender of the recipient. If you have any questions, please contact Vic or Isabel. Thank you

**Facilitating in today's service**

Duty Elder: Mary Hanson

Greeters: Steve & Janet Norris

Advent Liturgy: Huang Family

Lay Reader: David Whiteside

Children & Worship: Jacqueline, Dorcas, Josephine

Flowers Donated by Joan Greaves in memory of her husband, Fred

Tech Support: Warren, Ronda, Jim

Coffee Hosts: Marie Bateman, Margaret Smithson

Counters: Mike Zaine, Nonnie Polderman, Jim Ellithorpe

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