

Bulletin July 12, 2020

Ordinary Time

Grandview Church acknowledges that for thousands of years the Coast Salish peoples have walked gently on the unceded territories where we now live, work, worship and play. We seek a new relationship with the First Peoples here. One that is based in honour and respect and, especially in these days, seeks the well-being of all.

# **Church News**

### Staff away:

Celeste is away July 6-17 Jake is away July 13-27 Melanie is away July 26-August 10 Joy is on sabbatical then holiday until August 1.

## **Community News**

### Anti-racism education and discussion group:

If you're interested in joining a group of white folks who are committed to the work of anti-racism and understanding our white privilege, get in touch with Erin Peters: <u>erinlynnpeters@hotmail.com</u>. The group will watch videos, read articles and books, and host online discussion to further our understanding of this topic and discuss what kinds of actions/change we can participate in, in our own community and beyond. *The goal is for deep change within ourselves and our community in order to do the long term work of changing the systems of oppression in which we live and from which we benefit disproportionately.* People of colour are very welcome, but the intention is not to place the burden of educating white people on them.

### Black Spaces Symposium – July 23-26

We have been hearing about "Black Lives Matter" in the news in the last while. Antonia Ogundele from our church is a mentor with <u>http://www.afrovanconnect.com/#</u>. She and others are presenting at the Black Spaces Symposium (<u>http://www.afrovanconnect.com/symposium</u>), which will take place virtually July 23-26. Visit <u>www.afrovanconnect.com</u> for tickets and more information.

# Shared Life Exchange: Why and How We Live Together – Karen Giesbrecht

We invite you to connect with The Shared Life Exchange and to be part of the second Community Cafe. The Shared Life Exchange is a growing network of people exploring how we form, live in, and sustain community in response to our Christian commitments for the good of our city. Particularly, we are trying to connect with those people who pursue community by living in the same household, building or block.

Join us for our second community cafe conversation (this time virtually) around sharing our lives....in homes or neighbourhoods (community

houses, intentional neighbours, etc). Come with your stories, learnings, and questions. Informed by our faith, we are seeking to gain and strengthen skills and perspectives for living a deeper shared life with others.

Join us on **TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020 AT 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm** for our second Community Cafe Discussion (via Zoom).

Register here:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/shared-life-exchange-community-cafetickets-110235715994

The planning team: Karen Reed, Karen Giesbrecht, Meagan Dallimore, Laurie Duke, and Tim Dickau

## JustCatering is offering a weekly meal service:

Check out what they are offering at <u>http://www.justwork.ca/justcatering-meal-service.html</u> or email <u>justcatering@justwork.ca</u> for more info or to place an order.

# Housing

## Housemate wanted:

A room is available NOW in a spacious and sunny house near Broadway and Nanaimo with two jovial though introverted housemates (male and female) who both attend Grandview. Rent is ~\$730 + utilities. If interested please contact Kim: <u>kim.woody09@gmail.com</u>.

# Wellbeing

For resources that might be helpful during this time, you can go to the COVID Response page on our website: <u>www.gcbchurch.ca/resources/covid-19-resources</u>

**Bulletin Posting:** To post news or announcements, please have submissions to Celeste Pang by Thurs noon: <u>admin@gcbchurch.ca</u> **Grandview Church Email List:** To subscribe to the GCBC email list for periodic communication updates, go to "contact + map" at <u>gcbchurch.ca</u>.