

Easter Sunday April 17, 2022 11:30 AM



Upcoming Zoom Meetings & Gatherings:

April 12th	Zoom Gentle Yoga	10:00 am
April 12th	Chair Yoga	11:30 am
April 29 th	Road to Reconcili-Action	9:30 am
April 30th	Plant & Bake Sale	11:00 am

The Affirm Team are holding several upcoming events:

- Movie Night 6:30 pm April 20th 2022
- AV Pride Board Meeting 6:30 pm April 25th 2022
- Tuesday May 10th, 2022 next Affirm meeting at 6:30 pm via Zoom
- Sunday June 5th, 2022 our next Lunch and Learn

"Alberni Valley United Church educational bursary applications for 2022 are now available to graduating high school students who are pursuing postsecondary studies. Hard copies are available for pickup at the office, back of the church sanctuary, or via email. Please enclose application in envelope marked "Attention: AVUC outreach." Electronic applications can be emailed to Natalie at <u>dutchmanscastle@shaw.ca</u>. " Deadline for Bursary Applications is May 31, 2022.

Rev. Ed is in Port Alberni Fridays. Please email: <u>reved@telus.net</u> to make an appointment.

AVUC Choir: Choir rehearsals Sunday mornings at 9:45 am. If you love to sing, please join us.

The Book Store is open on Thurs & Friday from 9am to 1 pm and Saturday from noon to 4 pm.

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Alberni Valley United Church April 17, 2022 <u>Gathering</u>

Prelude:

Opening Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:1-10 (Ann)

Lighting the Christ Candle: (Ed)

Opening prayer: (together) (ANN)

O Christ is Risen! Halleluiah! From the grief and darkness of Good Friday, the world emerges into the light of Easter morning. A new day lies before us; a new world opens up to us; come and see, Christ is Risen!

Gracious Redeemer, we come to You in the morning of the Resurrection. Sin cannot hold You; death cannot bind You. We come to worship You in beauty and truth because we have faith and hope that the resurrection will enter into each of our lives and transform us. Accept our worship, gracious God. We pray these things in the name of Christ, whose life and love could not be stamped out. AMEN **Opening Hymn:** VU # 155 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

Welcome: (Ann)

Acknowledgement of Territory: (Ann)

Welcome/Announcements: (Ann)

Earth Day Responsive Reading: Written by Scott Martin (Ann)

Time with the Young and the Young at Heart:

Special Music (Ford): "You are The One"

Prayers of the People:

Sermon: "The Greatest Love"

We Respond

Hymn: MVU # 121 "Hey Now! Singing Hallelujah!" Verses 1, 2, 4 & 5

We Go Forth

Offering: (together)

Blessed Redeemer, we thank You for this special day when we celebrate Your resurrection from the dead. Thank You for every small and large blessing that we have experienced this past week. Loving God, our Creator and Sustainer, may these gifts of our hands, given in gratitude, be brought to life through the power of Your Holy Spirit. Multiply and use them to bring the touch of Jesus to Your people in this place, and beyond to Your world.

Through the Risen Saviour we pray. AMEN

Closing Hymn: VU #703 "In the Bulb there is a Flower"



Thank you for attending Sunday Worship. Hope to see you next week!