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Celebrating Imbolc

VanU Lay Chaplaincy Team

In-person and live streamed from the Sanctuary – February 2, 2025



WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY?

9 am: Chi Gong / Meditation (Meditation Room)

9 am: Lay Chaplaincy Team (Family Room)

10:45/11 am – 12:15 pm: Children's Group/Crossing Paths (Lindsey-Priestley/Hitschmanova)

11 am: Sunday Service (Sanctuary)

12 pm: Coffee Hour

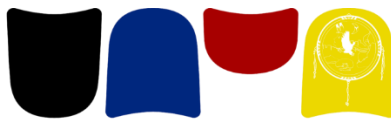
1 – 3 pm: VanU Youth (Hitschmanova)

3:30 – 5:30 pm: External rental (Meditation Room)

WANT TO LIGHT A CANDLE?

Silent candles can be lit anytime at the front of the Sanctuary. Community Candles are read from the book of Joys & Concerns in the Foyer and from the Live Chat on YouTube during the service. Requests for candles can also be submitted in advance at <https://vanu.ca/candles> (before 9 am Sunday). A candle with an orange ribbon is always lit during our worship services in remembrance of the countless indigenous children who died at residential schools, the survivors and their families.

TODAY'S OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FUND RECIPIENT



URBAN NATIVE YOUTH ASSOCIATION

Our current Outreach Opportunities Fund (OOF) recipient is the **Urban Native Youth Association** (UNYA).

UNYA strives to support Indigenous youth by providing a diverse continuum of advocacy, preventative and support services that respond to their immediate and long-term needs. Today, UNYA delivers 20+ programs with 175+ volunteers, 100 staff, and more than 300 community partners.

For more information about UNYA, please see unya.bc.ca. For more information about the Outreach Opportunities Fund, visit: vanu.ca/oof

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP: 11:00AM, FEBRUARY 2, 2025

Prelude	<i>Song of the Sea</i>	Bruno Coulais and the Irish band Kíla
	<i>Siuil a Run</i>	Traditional Irish Song Mehlinda Heartt*, Celtic Harp
Words of Welcome & Land Acknowledgement		Laureen Stokes
Greeting Our Neighbours		
Opening Hymn	STLT #361: <i>Enter, Rejoice, and Come In</i>	
Kindling the Chalice Flame		Naomi Taylor
Time for All Ages	<i>Calling the Four Directions</i>	Ariel Hunt-Browndin & the Lay Chaplains
	<i>Air moves us, Fire transforms us, Water shapes us, Earth heals us</i> <i>And the balance of the wheel goes round and round</i> <i>And the balance of the wheel goes round</i>	
Song for Leaving		Words by Suzelle Lynch Music by Ruben Piirainen
	<i>As you go, may joy surround you, as you go, go in peace</i> <i>Know our love is with you always, as you go, as you go</i>	
Life of the Congregation		
Offering		Laureen Stokes
Offertory	<i>Mummers Dance</i>	Loreena McKennit Mehlinda Heartt, Celtic Harp

We continue to support the work of this congregation and our outreach opportunities recipient through an online offering. You may use **text-to-give** now (Simply text an amount to 778-771-1707 to get started today, or visit <http://ucv.im/give> for more information!) or [donate online](#) through our secure Breeze interface.

Community Candles

Meditation – Spoken, then Silent		Ariel Hunt-Bronrdwin
Ritual	<i>Relighting the Flames of Spiritual Intentions</i>	The Lay Chaplain Team

Devoking the Four Directions

Closing Hymn

STLT #163: *For the Earth Forever Turning*

Closing Words

Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice Flame

Valediction

Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again (x2)

** We joyfully welcome today Mehlinda Heartt, a Professional Harpist with 48 years of experience. She is a regular Harpist at the East is East restaurant (4433 Main Street) on Sunday Nights and has played for us several times before. – Elliott*

The flowers this week have been provided by **Chris Pearce**.

The artwork on display in the Sanctuary has been provided by the **Developmental Disabilities Association**.

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