

BEACH UNITED CHURCH COMMUNITY NEWS

Sunday, May 29, 2022



Worship at Beach Sundays at 10:30 am

Beach United Church invites you to share in worship with our passionate and creative ministry team, Rev. Greg Daly and music director Steven Webb. To attend worship in person please register here:

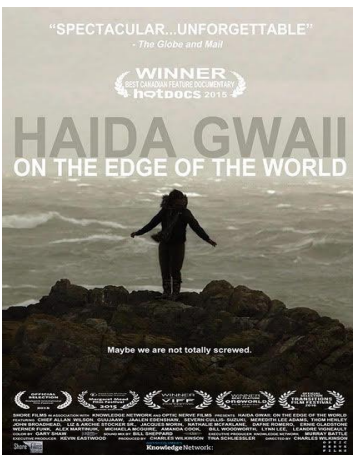
<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/sunday-worship-at-beach-united-online-and-in-person-tickets-275719884597>

Environmental Tip of the Week

Wool dryer balls decrease drying time by 30-50% and can save you money on your electricity bill. Dryer balls also decrease wrinkles and get rid of static on your clothes. Use 3 at a time to improve air circulation, rotate clothes and absorb moisture. They're available at a variety of locations. Search online to find the closest location. If you have an environmental tip you'd like to share, please email: maryanne.alton@sympatico.ca



BUC Documentary Series Wednesday, June 1 at 7:30 pm **Watch: Haida Gwaii – On the Edge of the World**



This documentary explores the breathtakingly beautiful archipelago off B.C.'s northwest coast, home to a dedicated community uniting to protect land and sea for the next generation. Directed by Charlie Wilkinson. This is the last documentary of the season. Watch for free by registering with The Knowledge Network

<https://www.knowledge.ca/program/haida-gwaii-edge-world>

Register with maryanne.alton@sympatico.ca and you'll receive the Zoom link for the discussion meeting.

Beach United Gardening Group Update

Hastings Withers has provided an informative and colourful update on the work of the Gardening Group – which welcome any and all who don't mind getting a little dirt under their fingernails every Saturday morning from 9:30 – 11:00 am.

Click here for the full report: <https://beachunitedchurch.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/BEACH-UNITED-GARDEN-UPDATE.pdf>



Recording of Interfaith Candidates Meeting

As we approach the Provincial election date next week, you still have an opportunity to hear the views of the candidates in Beaches East York on issues that are important to people of faith:

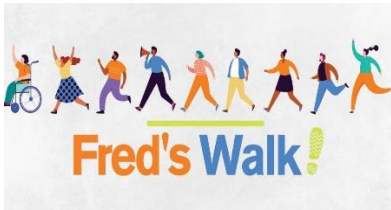
- How to ensure that everyone has access to a decent affordable housing and how to put an end to homelessness
- How to provide our children with high quality education
- How to address the impacts of climate change
- How to respond to the challenges and deficiencies in Ontario's health care system.

The recording of the Interfaith Candidates Meeting on May 12 is available at <http://therez.ca/election>

Our faith commitment to a just and equitable world obliges us to shape how we live in our community, how we value people who are vulnerable and how we tend to the created world. Ensuring that those who represent us in government share these responsibilities means that our faith is also political.

Please take the time to hear from the candidates for election and share it widely with your family and friends so that they, too, will be able to make an informed choice on June 2.

Fred's Walk - Friday June 3, 2022



Fred's Walk is an annual event to raise funds to support the work of the Fred Victor Centre with people experiencing homelessness. Unlike traditional walk fundraisers, Fred's Walk goes from site to site in downtown Toronto (about 10km) to learn about poverty and homelessness and what Fred Victor is doing in response.

Fred's Walk is an excellent way to contribute in a real way to supporting this work and to learn about the needs of homeless people and the way that Fred Victor responds to those needs. This year Fred's Walk is on Friday June 3 from 12:00-4:00 pm. Should you want to participate or support our team financially visit the Fred's Walk tab at <http://fredvictor.org/>. Our team name is BUCrew. If you have any difficulties, contact jimwinn0@gmail.com or marneywinn1@gmail.com (Phone 416-690-1720) and they can provide more details on how to join or donate through the Beach United Church team.

Classical Concert Fundraiser in Support of Ukraine

Friday, June 3 at 6:30 pm

Beach United is proud to be donating the use of its Main Hall for a musical concert featuring Handel, Vivaldi, and music of the Baroque period, played by the **Prater Ensemble String Quartet** with special guests **Mira Solovianenko**, Soprano, and 8-year-old piano performer **Mikaela Detko**.

All donations and profit from ticket sales will go directly to the Canada-Ukraine Foundation, which has years of experience providing charitable aid in Canada and Ukraine. Tickets: \$10 - \$25

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/we-play-for-ukraine-tickets-335820416907?aff=efbeventtix>

Come Celebrate Kathy McIlroy's Book Launch Saturday June 11 at 2 pm



We want to congratulate Kathy McIlroy on the publication of her first book: Sara, Nicholas and the Last Dragon. Kathy will be hosting a book launch party at the Duke (1225 Queen Street East) on June 11 at 2pm.

Books will be available for cash sale at that event.

You can learn more at: www.saranicholasandthelastdragon.com

Please Help! The Little Food Pantry Needs Our Support

The Interfaith Outreach Lunch Program ends for the season on Thursday May 26th. Along with other communities of faith in the Beach, we have provided a lunch every day Monday to Friday since last fall; Beach United's lunch on Thursdays regularly served as many as 50 guests.

Many lunch guests also use our Little Food Pantry to help make ends meet as do other hungry people in our community. This will be even more crucial once the Lunch Program stops for the summer. They need our help!

Please drop off good food at the church or put it in the pantry outside the church, if there's room. Nutritious foods to put in "The Little Food Pantry" include:

- Canned fish and meat (tuna, salmon, ham and Spam)
- Noodles, rice and pasta
- Prepared sauce for the pasta!
- Kraft dinner (easy to make for people with limited kitchen facilities and skills!)
- Canned beans (ready to eat)
- Soup (canned or dried)
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Cereal (oatmeal or ready to eat)
- Canned milk
- Peanut butter (and jam!)
- Tea bags
- Instant coffee.
- Personal hygiene products are also welcome.

We also need people to look in on the pantry regularly to keep it clean and stocked.

If you are able to make a commitment to support the Little Food Pantry, let me know by email at pdowling@rogers.com or 416 698 8425.