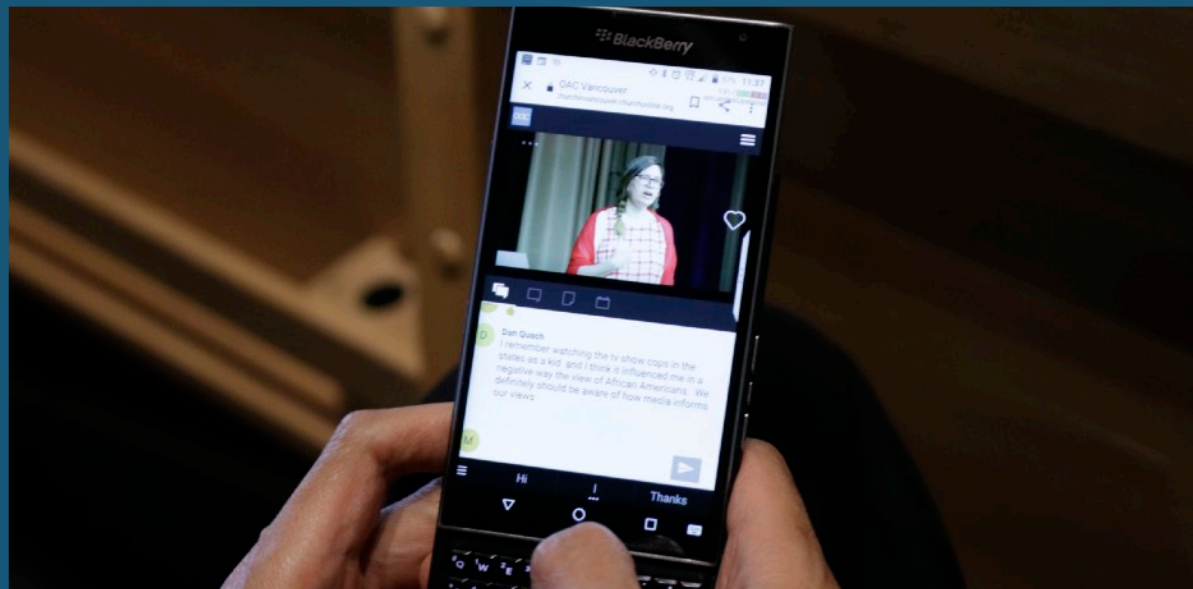


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WELCOME - July 4, 2020

As part of our celebration and in the light of gathering restrictions due to covid-19, we are inviting the OAC church family and friends to a drive-through greeting with Pastor Rhoda after the installation service this Sabbath. Pastor Rhoda would be standing at the parking lot entrance of the Church from 12:45pm and we would allow a single file of cars to drive into OAC from Baillie street and out through the back lane. All safety protocols (physical distancing) would be enforced.

Please do not bring a physical gift at this time.



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Words Of Hope - Pastor Rhoda Klein Miller

I heard a great metaphor this week that helps explain the exhaustion you may be experiencing. You thought the goal was simply not to sink, just keep your chin above the oncoming waves of this tumultuous time. But as you see the shoreline nearing, someone is handing you running shoes. It's marathon time. And when the finish-line appears on the road ahead, someone else is handing you a bike. This is a triathlon you weren't prepared for!

What if God has been training us for 2020 all along? Over the past 4 years this church has said goodbye to 3 pastors, and was hit with disappointment when a favoured candidate couldn't accept. It has been a tough journey and you might feel the losses and set-backs outnumbered the celebrations. Yet we were refined, strengthened and we persisted with faith in things we could not see, and the Spirit kept leading people to our open arms and into the family of God! I want to express my thanks for the commitment and dedication of your prayers and hours of service to support ministry at OAC. In particular I appreciate the work of the Pastoral Search Committee members: Phil, Gaileen, Abe, Kylinda, Rex, Oma, Gloria, Joana, Kerhys, Heather, Alicia and Raquel who were so dedicated to the mission, vision and values of this church. Your service for the Lord is not in vain! (1 Cor 15:58). We'll continue to learn from this experience and wonder at God's mysterious ways.

We are just half way through the year but it has already been so uncomfortable, so disruptive, so raw, that it is forcing us to grow. 2020 is shouting in our faces, awakening anyone left in complacent slumber. This is our year to band together. We need each other, and Jesus more than ever.

A WARM WELCOME to our special guests who journeyed from far and wide to celebrate Pastor Rhoda's induction. Family members Ruby (sister) and Nikysha (niece). Worship leader Jenessa Little. Mentoring Pastors Jorge Tenario, Colin Griffiths & Jim Gaull. Seminary sisters Marilyn Banford and Melissa Cooke. BC Conference: Brian Wahl, Ern Brake and Tom Glatts.

AN OUTDOOR RETREAT for OAC leaders and ministry volunteers will be held at Mountainview Camp in Hope Aug 14-16. If we don't reach capacity limits, the invitation will be extended to all church members.

SUMMER MODE SABBATHS. Our church remains open to guests who rsvp for in-person attendance. Our worship service will be delivered by live broadcast of pre-recorded and interactive praise, prayer, and preaching. You'll still be welcomed by live hosts both on-site and online. This will allow our staff and volunteers to enjoy some time off and focus on Fall planning.

WELCOME TO OAC: (Second reading) Joining OAC, Collin Griffiths and Meri Griffiths from Creekside Community Church.

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