

**WELCOME VISITORS:** DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
Please take a minute to fill out this form and put it in the offering bag or in the blue boxes on the wall at the back.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ PC: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Invited to Chapel by: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a visit? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to be added to our email prayer chain? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have moved please fill out the above for a change of address.

**COMMENTS, REQUESTS, OR PRAYER NEEDS:**

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I would like a visit

I would like my prayer request on Oaklands email prayer chain.



*Today*

**DECEMBER 20, 2009**

10 am Family Service with Communion  
Advent Series w. UDK "The Candle of Love"

The New Covenant Jeremiah 31: 31-34 Speaker : Rob Wood  
ESL and Gr. 7-12 in sanctuary til dismissed, classes for preschool -  
Gr. 6, babysitting for nursery on main floor and toddler upstairs .

**After the service enjoy Coffee and visit the library.**

**6:30 pm** Neighbourhood Carol Sing



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**Pick up the new address section of the directory in the foyer today.**

**WELCOME TO OAKLANDS CHAPEL!** We are delighted to have you worship with us today. If Victoria is your home, we would love to have you become a regular member of our fellowship. Please join us for coffee or tea after the service. If you have any special needs or requests please share this with one of the greeters or other members of the congregation. Or contact the office -Monday - Friday from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm @ 250-595-1411.

## AT A GLANCE:

**NEXT SUNDAY DECEMBER 27-**

10 am Family Service w. Communion

Jan 8-10 Mission Fest Vancouver

Feb 19-21 Men's Retreat @ Camp Imadene – see below

Feb 26-28 Oaklands Chapel Women's Retreat @ Camp Pringle

May 1 -17 Interested in a trip to Israel – see bulletin board.

## THANK YOU

25 Christmas food hampers were delivered this year to various families all over Victoria. Thanks to those who volunteered to put them together and who delivered. ...especially Clint who delivered 15 of them.



## Men's Retreat

February 19-21, 2010

Plan now to take this weekend to relax, unwind, and have an awesome time with the guys. Come & be encouraged by the speaker's messages, enjoy great food, and get ready to play. Don't worry about missing your Olympic sport, we have it covered.

Register now to make sure you don't miss out at [www.imadene.com](http://www.imadene.com) or call the camp office at 1-800-445-7575

**SMILE CARDS** - Thanks to everybody who continue to use your Oaklands Chapel Thrifty Foods SMILE CARDS, we have received \$233.96 from Thrifty Foods for the month of November, 2009. See Dave Waldie to get a SMILE CARD and help Oaklands Chapel to receive funds to help us replace our aging hearing assistance and telephone systems.

## THIS WEEK:

Monday Dec 21

Tuesday Dec 22 6:45 am Special Needs Prayer  
10 am - Small Group @ Oaklands

Wednesday Dec 23

Thursday Dec 24  
6 pm Christmas Eve Service  
8 pm Christmas Eve Service

Friday Dec 25

*Happy Birthday Jesus*

The office will be closed Thursday Dec 24, Friday Dec 25 and Monday Jan 1.

“...they will call him  
Immanuel”  
— which means,  
“God with us.”



Matthew 1:23



## Neighbourhood Carol Sing

Did you know that December 20<sup>th</sup> is Go Caroling Day? This year, the date falls on a Sunday which is a great date for the Oaklands family and a good time to catch people in a festive mood. Doesn't matter if you can sing like an angel or are vocally ungifted. Caroling is about sharing festive spirit, not wowing crowds with your musical prowess.

Carols haven't always been associated with Christmas. Medieval crooners performed these festive tunes to accompany circle dances. Carols and Christmas tied the knot in the 13<sup>th</sup> century, when St. Francis of Assisi set religious lyrics to popular tunes and invited folks to sing along to celebrate the Nativity. The notion of singing door to door is said to harken back to winter solstice celebration when peasants used to sing to their lords in exchange for a few coins, a bit of cheese, or a swig of hot wassail.

So please join us tonight at 6:30 pm for a neighbourhood carol sing and return to the church for a bit of wassail (or something like that)!! It is all about celebrating Jesus' birth and showing good will to our neighbours.



## GET ACQUAINTED WITH OUR LIBRARY:

DVD: "Amazing Grace" tells the story of William Wilberforce who invested his life, despite ailing health, to fight for the abolition of slavery  
"The Magnificent Obsession" by Anne Graham Lotz (222.11092) ~ embracing the God-filled life ~ Anne's search for answers led her to looking at the life of Abraham