

# Kirkebladet

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As you may know, it has been almost five years since we arrived, and our time in Burnaby is soon coming to an end.

My last Sunday service will be July 17<sup>th</sup>.

Coming to Vancouver has been an amazing adventure for us as a family, but most of all, it has been a pleasure getting to know you all.

Thanks for sharing your special stories and trusting me to be a part of special moments in your lives at funerals, baptisms and weddings.

Covid has taken a toll on us all, but the silver lining has been that we have come to know each other better throughout the Province by our weekly emails. It's been a privilege to make "post-cards" from so many places in B.C. and in that way being able to share just a few new and old immigrant stories.

We made it through the pandemic together even though we were apart, and we did very well.

This is all because of the backbone of our church: *The Volunteers!* 

The board, the auxiliaries, the deacons, people on the flower list and many more.

So many people came to help by donating, doing yard work outside, pouring coffee, knitting, cooking and giving moral support too.

We did our best and God did the rest.
We tried new things together like
celebrating outdoor Sunday services, hybrid
Bible Studies, and with a massive effort
from everybody, we even managed to host
the Fall Bazaar despite Covid.

And now we are back to "new normal", celebrating both church services and Sunday mornings again!

And I am looking forward to a May and a June full of so much fun, lots of activities, visiting Vancouver Island and having celebrations like: Flag Day, Spring Dinner, Grundlovsdag, Sankt Hans and Confirmation.

How blessed we are to be able to celebrate together again!

Så cykler vi derudaf! ...as we say in Danish. Let's just keep up the good spirit and continue all the good work we started together; being confident of this, that he who began his good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Spring Greetings and God Bless,
Pastor Susanne



## From the Board May/June 2022

It is official, Pastor Susanne has a new job and her last service in our Church will be Sunday, July 17, 2022. Susanne and Søren are moving to Sylt (in Danish Sild), an island on the west coast of Slesvig on the border between Denmark and Germany. It is still part of DSUK, so they are not leaving the DSUK family.

We are sad to see them go, but we understand their need to go back to be near family and friends. We wish them all the best in their new Church.

So now we look for a new Pastor. We have sent our ad to DSUK which will be in the Danish pastors' paper in a couple of weeks, but everything takes time with Easter week and vacations. We hope to have a new pastor installed by September 1st or earlier. DSUK will send us an interim pastor if we need one.

The Board is looking to find a Canadian Lutheran pastor to help now that Granly is closing in the Fall, and we won't have Pastor Ruth to take the service when our pastor has time off.

We would like to invite a candidate to take the service on June 12<sup>th</sup>. If needed he/she will sit in on the service on May 22<sup>nd</sup> to get a feel of the church and the order of service. It's going to be a busy summer.

On March 20<sup>th</sup> we held our AGM in the church hall, and we had a quorum with 46 members in attendance. It was a good meeting where we upgraded our



constitution and by-laws and took care of ongoing business of the Church. With the Covid restrictions lifted we can now conduct church business the way we are used to.

I do want to remind you that masks are optional. If you feel more comfortable, please wear one. If you are not vaccinated or have had your booster shot, please get the shots for everybody's safety, as we are not out of the pandemic yet. The next wave is on the way, and we still must be careful. On March 26<sup>th</sup> we had a very successful Spring Tea & Bake sale with 180 people in attendance. We still checked vaccine passports, but masks were optional. A big THANK YOU goes out to all the volunteers who put many hours of work into this event to make it a success.

When you come to Church you will note that the building looks beautiful and white. We had the building washed by a professional company, and I think they did a good job. During the summer, we will be doing some draining along the berm to stop the water from running down into the parking lot, as it is very slippery in the wintertime when it freezes - so we will have to put up with construction work for a short period.

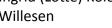
Knud Nielsen, President

### **Celebrations of Life**



Ingrid (Lotte) Koie Willesen

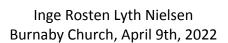
Capilano View Cemetery March 5th, 2022





**Eva Tove Panther** 

**Boundary Bay** Cemetery March 28th, 2022





### Confirmation



We are finally able to celebrate Confirmation again!

Post-Covid season we are lucky to have confirmation class again and we celebrate Confirmation of 4 amazing young people on May 29<sup>th</sup> 11am in Burnaby! If you have a grandchild or a relative the age of 13-15, don't hesitate to bring them in for



### Thank you

I wish to thank everyone who attended min Mor Inge Rosten Nielsen's funeral on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Special thanks to min Mor's brother Jorgen Lyth for his heartfelt eulogy, and to Pastor Susanne for her comforting words.

Mange Tak to the Ladies Auxiliary of the church for setting the tables, serving, and for cleaning up; and to Ingelise Nielsen, Bodil Nielsen and Doris Nielsen who looked after the food.

I could not have made it through the day without your loving support.

Tusind Tak, Anna-Marie Nielsen



### **Something New!**

Gyrithe Rickenbacher has agreed to be the Outreach Person for the church and will send get-well cards when she hears of someone who isn't well.

Gyrithe will let Pastor Susanne know if someone needs a visit.

Please get in touch with Gyrithe at welcomin@telus.net or 778-547-9897 if you know of someone in need of a card, or a visit.



### **KomSammen**

KomSammen in May will be on May 11th, 13:30

For June, we have a special KomSammen get together for an outing before summer-break.

Our designated drivers will take us to Fort Langley on June 8th.

The Fort is the cradle of British Columbia and we'll learn all about our history,

the red gold rush (cranberry trade), see the heritage houses and have snacks and coffee.

Take off from the Burnaby Church parking lot 10:30am.

Wednesday
June 8th!
Lunch is
kindly
served at
Doris and
Knud
Nielsen's.



### Parking Lot Sale "rain or shine"





June 18, 2022 10:00am ~ 1:00pm 6010 Kincaid St.

### **Annual General Meeting Highlights**

The Annual General Meeting of the Danish Church was held on Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022. It started oddly, as Pastor Susanne was unexpectedly quarantined in Denmark, and Pastor Ruth had to conduct both the 10:30 am Granly service and then quickly drive to Burnaby for the 11 am service. Of course the service, the lunch, and the AGM were slightly delayed.

Thankfully, Pastor Susanne came back to us again healthy on Mar. 25, and we were very grateful that Pastor Ruth took on both services.

We had 46 members of the church attend the AGM. Our total membership is 244 people scattered all over BC, so we are always happy when we have a quorum.

Each board members is voted in for two years and have to leave their position at the end of four years. Alternates are voted in for a term of one year.

Every second year the slate of board members may change. This year was the year we had to vote for a new Vice-President, Treasurer and one Director.

Thank you to outgoing Vice-President Jorgen Gronfeldt and Treasurer Margit Hansson for their participation and work on behalf of the board.

This year, the board nominated the following:

Vice-President: Gwen Dahl nominated and elected for two years

Treasurer: Ulla Prip Larsen nominated and elected for two years

Director: Karen Andersen nominated and elected for two years

Alternate: Gyrithe Rickenbacher nominated and elected for one year

Alternate: Poul Erik Rasmussen nominated and elected for one year

Reports came from President Knud Nielsen, Treasurer Margit Hansson, and Pastor Susanne (read in her absence) and the various Church committees. Minor changes were made to the By-Laws and Constitution. The Constitution was amended to provide scholarships to qualified recipients for the study in Canadian educational institutions. This change was made in order to accommodate the funds from Granly at their closing. The By-Laws were amended to set the quorum at 30 members in good standing or fifteen

percent of the membership, whichever is the smaller.

### Ebba Grey, Church Board Secretary

Back row from left:
Poul Erik Rasmussen, Jack Larsen,
Knud Nielsen, Steen Larsen
Front row from left:
Ebba Grey, Pastor Susanne I. Rasmussen,
Gwen Dahl, Ulla Prip Larsen,
Gyrithe Rickenbacher, Karen Andersen



### May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk	2	3	4 1 PM Knit2gether 2:30 Joint meeting of all Church Groups	5 9:30 AM Bible Study Noon Ladies Auxiliary meeting 7 PM New Auxiliary Mtg	6	7
8 11 AM Service in English Flag Day Mother's Day Lunch & Quiz	9	10 7 PM Board Meeting	11 1:30 PM Kom-Sammen	9:30 AM Bible Study (via Zoom or in person)	13	14 6 PM Spring Dinner
15 9:30 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk	16	17	18	19 9:30 AM Bible Study 10 AM Dania Manor Service	20	21 11 AM Hope Lutheran Service with Lunch
22 11 AM Service in English Joint Planning Meeting	23	24	25 11 AM Dania Home Service	9:30 AM Bible Study (via Zoom or in person)	27	28
29 9:20 AM Breakfast Service in English Confirmation Day	30 All day joint Church planning with Edmonton, Calgary, Toronto Pastor AG Krogh Nielson from L.A.	31				

### **Pre Service Breakfasts**

Come and enjoy breakfast at 9:30am before the 11am service, May 29th & June 26th, 9:30 a.m. Sign up on the sheet in the hall or contact Doris at 604-534-3707, or email knudnielsen@shaw.ca

### **June 2022**

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday							
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			1	2 9:30 AM Bible Study Noon Ladies Auxiliary meeting 7 PM New Auxiliary Mtg	3	4	
5 11:00 AM Service in Danish/ English - Danish Constitution Day At Scan Centre	6	7 1:00 PM Knit2gether	8 10:00 AM Kom-Sammen Udflugt	9 9:30 AM Bible Study (via Zoom or in person)	10	11	
12 11:00 AM Service in English Lunch	13	14 7:00 PM Board Meeting	15	9:30 AM Bible Study 10:00 AM Dania Manor	17	18 10 AM to 1 PM Parking Lot Sale	
19 9:30 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk	20	21	22 11:00 AM Dania Home Service	23 9:30 AM Bible Study Skt Hans at Granly 7PM Skt Hans at Cates Park, North Van 6 PM	24	25 Midsommer Fest Weekend at the Scandinavian Centre	
9:30 Breakfast 11:00 AM Service in English	27	28	29	30 9:30 AM Bible Study (via Zoom or in person)			

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### Spring Dinner 2022

\$35.00

Saturday, May 14, 2022 @ 6:00pm





R.S.V.P. by <u>May 11</u><sup>th</sup> to Ebba Grey (604) 990-3550

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### **Spring Lottery Winners**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$1,000 Anonymous

\* Flemming Mikkelsen

2<sup>nd</sup>Prize Easter Basket &Lunch Fixings

\* Gyrithe Rickenbacher

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Coffee/Chocolate Basket

\* Gerda Elmberg

4<sup>th</sup> Prize End of the Line Basket

\* Garry Myers

5<sup>th</sup> Prize Bodil's Easter Lunch

Smørrebrød

\* Jorgen Rohweder

6<sup>th</sup> Prize Cloverdale Deli Basket

\* Robert Taylor

Congratulations to all the winners and a very big THANK YOU to our generous donors.

### Sankt Hans Thursday, June 23rd

Join us for a Sankt Hans picnic, fun, music and Bål! Bring your marshmallows. Our traditional Danish Midsummer celebration is in Cates Park, North Vancouver, on June 23rd, 6pm-ish.



### **Thank You**

The auxiliaries would like to thank all the young people for their efforts at the Spring Tea. It was so nice to see the positive dedication they gave to all our guests, clearing tables and pouring coffee



and tea. We received feedback from many who attended the event. Their courteous and respectful manner was a real pleasure to see and hear - that gives us hope for the future of our Church.

Well done!! The Spring Tea had very positive vibes.

# Thanks to our Young Crew



Maybe you have noticed an amazing crew of young people serving coffee and helping out at Spring Tea and Fall Bazaar? This crew is young local boys and girls, volunteer grandkids and former and present confirmands, lead by Andrea Nielsen

This crew is such a wonderful and hardworking addition to our fundraiser events at the church!



### Celebrity Eclipse - August 28, 2022

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Pricing as of March 23, 2022- BC Resident promotion

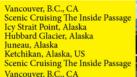
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Fall Bazaar and Christmas are now only a few months off.

It's time to plan what we are going to offer in the different stalls.

At ManCave, we would like to encourage anyone who wants to be part of a creative collaboration to contact **Steen Larsen** at **604-551-5063** to hear about the possibilities.

Likewise, we at ManCave would like to ask the Nisse Banden and the Knit2gether Group to join us for the Grand Planning Meeting on May 3 at 2:30pm.

### The themes will be:

- ♦ How can we help each other across the groups?
- ♦ New gift ideas
- Theme stalls
- Collection of materials
- Grandparents-Grandchildren workshop days

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<b>Church Services</b>	Burnaby	Surrey	
Søndag den 1 maj	9:30 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk Pastor Ruth	11:00 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk Pastor Ruth	
Sunday, May 8th	11:00 AM Service in English Flag Day Mother's Day	9:30 AM Service in English Pastor Susanne	
Søndag den 15 maj	9:30 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk Pastor Susanne	11:00 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk Pastor Susanne	
Sunday, May 22nd	11:00 AM Service in English Joint Planning Meeting	10:-30 AM Service in English	
Sunday, May 29th	9:30 Breakfast 11:00 AM Service in English Confirmation	2:30 PM Service in English Sign up only	
Sunday, June 5th	11:00 AM Service in Danish/English Danish Constitution Day Grundlovsdag Held at the Scandinavian Centre, Burnaby, BC	10:30 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk	
Sunday, June 12th	11:00 AM Service in English Lunch	10:30 AM Service in English	
Søndag den 19 juni	9:30 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk Pastor Susanne	11:00 AM Gudstjeneste på dansk Pastor Susanne	
Sunday, June 26th	9:30 AM Breakfast 11:00 AM Service in English Pastor Ruth	9:30 AM Service in English Pastor Ruth	