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Pastor's Report



Coming back to Vancouver

In the summer of 1991, we moved out of the parsonage on Burnfield Crescent. We had all learned so much, had so many good experiences and enjoyed so much hospitality during our stay at the Danish church in Vancouver. Our three children, Anne-Sofie, Kathrine and Jakob had attended Lakeview Elementary School and been part of many activities at the church, Birgit had – among other things - learned a lot about patchwork and taught Danish lessons, and I had had the privilege of serving as the pastor. It was not only furniture and other stuff that we packed into the container when we left for new adventures in Tommerup on Fyn. We took so many good memories and other things with us from our five exciting, busy, and wonderful years in Vancouver.

31 years later we're now coming back! After my retirement last summer and our move from Tommerup to our new home in Munkebo with a beautiful view of Kertinge Nor we have enjoyed spending more time with our three grown-up children and their families. Seven grandchildren – right now some of them with chicken pox

(“skoldkopper”) – give plenty of work and lots of joyful moments for mormor and morfar/farmor and farfar.

But when we received an email from the church board asking if Birgit and I would like to come to Vancouver where I should serve as an interim pastor for a couple of months, we were very happy and never in doubt. And the reaction from the rest of the family was: Of course you should do that!

So at the end of August, we will once again move into the parsonage. We are grateful that DSUK and the church board are giving us this opportunity and we are very much looking forward to spending a period of time together with you all at the Danish church. With those of you who still remember us from so many years ago there will be some catching up to do, and we are also looking forward to getting to know those of you who were not part of the church in the eighties and nineties.

From September 4 till October 30 you can meet us at the church services and all the other gatherings and events at the church. And you can call us on the usual phone numbers: 298-6112 (the church) and 521-8014 (the parsonage). Or you can send an email to svend@faarvang.com

Mange hilsener og på gensyn ...

Best regards. See you soon!

Birgit and Svend Faarvang





From the Board

You might think that during this hot summer not much has happened.... But no, this has been a very busy summer.

We said farewell to Pastor Susanne and Soren mid July and wished them well on their next venture on the island of Sylt in Stallkirken (literally the barn is where the service is held.) They were sent off with a fantastic concert by our very own local musicians. At the same time our President Knud Nielsen and his wife Doris, also took their vacation and will be back Aug. 28. So much has happened in their absence.

Regarding our Pastor's search, we had arranged that on August 14 Pastor Carsten would deliver the sermon, as he is applying for the position. He and his wife Camilla and baby Bjorn arrived the week before from Denmark and stayed with Steen and Ulla Larsen.

The Board met up with Pastor Carsten after the service, and he said that he had previously checked into working in Hong Kong or Singapore but found out that the Danes there were on short work contracts from Denmark, and he was looking for a community. Well, here we are, we are a community. We hope it works out.

We have had to make sure that we had a minister for the Sunday services after Pastor Susanne's last service was on July 17th, and we have been grateful to have the participation of Pastor Ruth (Granly), Pastor Clifford Reinhardt

(local), Pastor Carsten (Denmark), and Pastor Marianne Gyldenkaerne (Denmark).

Pastor Svend Faarvang arrived Thurs. Aug 25 with his wife Birgit and will take the services for the months of September and October. They will be staying in the parsonage which has been newly painted, and Jack Larsen and Steen Larsen have been a big help in getting it ready. The parsonage is empty of furniture as each minister brings in their own stuff from Denmark, so ScanDesign's Gert Knudsen has kindly agreed to lend us some furniture. As well, Lars Larsen is lending us a dining room table/chairs. [By the way, none of the Larsens mentioned here are related...] Everything is ready for our visitors, including food in the fridge.

A suggestion that came out of the Pastors' meeting on May 30th was that our board should have a youth representative, a former confirmand, perhaps. We invited Holly Collins to attend our August board meeting as she is an enthusiastic young person who will work on getting a Youth Group together for bowling, outings, etc.

Lots of activities coming up in September and October including Harvest Dinner, Fall Work Party, and Fall Bazaar with great raffle prizes. We look forward to seeing you.

Gwen Dahl,
Vice-president

BAPTISM

July 10th 2022 Lilian Borngaber Berthelsen, daughter of Marcel Borngaber-Berthelsen and Marina Sopronova

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Gordon Stan Chester

July 4, 1932 – April 28, 2022



Stan passed away peacefully in his 90th year, with daughter Tsan at his side. Grandsons Kaden and Corbin were with him in the days before his passing. Stan was predeceased by his parents Henry and Mae Chester, his sister Marlene Swensen, by his first wife Beverly, and second wife Margaret. He is survived by his brother Allan Chester, sister Gloria Stokes, brother-in-law William Swensen and their families. He is also survived by Margaret's children Randy, Cheryl, Lori and Patti and their families. A "Celebration of Life" was held on July 16th and there were many foresters present.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Dorrit Gunderup Larsen

Jan. 1, 1937—May 22, 2022



It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the passing of Dorrit Gunderup Larsen of Burnaby, BC on May 22, 2022. Dorrit will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 45 years, Lars K. Larsen, sister in-law Katrine Larsen of Faaborg, Denmark as well as many friends in Denmark and Canada. Dorrit was born in Aastrup, Denmark. She joined Lars in Canada in 1976 where they married. Dorrit was a valued member of the Danish Church and for many years was a deacon. Dorrit will be remembered for her artistic creations of Danish "Julenisser" which she sold at the church and Scandinavian Centre and various craft shows. A "Celebration of Life" was held on June 22, 2022.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who attended Dorrit's memorial service and supported me during this difficult time. Thank you to all my good friends from far and near, your comforting words and continued friendship is very much appreciated. A special thank you to Pastor Susanne for her comforting words, to Janet Mowatt for coming in to play her beautiful music (even on her 75th birthday), to Poul Erik Rasmussen for ringing the bells and taking care of the flags, to Bodil for helping with the flowers, to the Ladies Auxiliary for setting such beautiful tables and serving coffee, to Ebba for picking up the wienerbrød, Tina Taylor for making the smørrebrøddand and Gyrithe for helping me with all the arrangements, You are all appreciated more than you will ever know. You all helped make this day, a special day in *MEMORY OF DORRIT*.

Venlig hilsen - Lars Larsen

Fatherhood



2021 Comedy/Drama

Kevin Hart stars in a heart-warming true story about a father who copes with doubts, fears, heartache and dirty diapers as he sets out to raise his daughter on his own after the unexpected death of his wife who died a day after their daughters birth.

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The Kominsky Method

3 Season TV series, 2018-2021, Comedy/Drama

Stars Michael Douglas as Sandy Kominsky, a fictional aging acting coach who many years earlier had a brief moment of success as an actor, and his best friend Alan Arkin as Norman Newlander. They keep each other laughing as they navigate the ups and downs of getting older.



Streaming on Netflix

Annual Fall Drive

The church depends on your support to raise funds for the Pastor's salary, maintenance, "Kirkebladet" and all other obligations of our church.

The Fall Drive sheets are being mailed out to everyone now. Please don't forget to renew your membership which will give you voting rights at the 2023 Annual General Meeting.

Tax receipts are issued for all donations (except membership).

The Fall Drive sheet contains information so you will be able to send your donation by e-transfer, if you wish. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Thank You.

Ulla Prip Larsen, Treasurer

Harvest Dinner 2022 ~ This years' dinner will be held on Saturday, September 24th. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm. We will be serving the ever-popular "Klar Suppe med Boller" (Soup with Dumplings).



The cost for your meal will be \$35.00. There will also be wine and beer available to purchase.

Please **R.S.V.P.** no later than September 20th by contacting Penny Fraser via e-mail at pfrazer1@telus.net or by phone at 604-782-3705. In consideration of those who are purchasing and prepping the food, NO late orders please.

Payment can be made by e-mail money transfer to donationdanishchurchvancouver@gmail.com, cheque, or contact office@danishchurch.bc.ca to pay by credit card.



1st Course



2nd Course



Dessert

Lucia Fest

The Wardrop sisters invite young singers to sign up for Lucia Fest. Please contact the Wardrop sisters to sign up: andrea.a.wardrop@gmail.com

The rehearsals for Lucia Fest will start after church on Sunday, October 30 and will continue every Sunday after church till November 27. Performances will be at Dania Home, Danish Church and Scandinavian Centre.

Everybody's welcome, both boys and girls! We sing traditional Danish and English Christmas songs and carols.



Holly Collins and Indy

Holly, one of our former confirmands, with an enthusiastic and outgoing personality, has volunteered to attempt to get a Youth Group together from other confirmands and young Danes that she knows. We learned from other churches that they have a young person or two on their boards, and we thought it was a great idea, so Holly attended her first board meeting in August. Holly grew up in Vancouver and graduated from Windemere High in 2014. She trained to be a paramedic and works for BC Emergency Health Services. Holly loves her dog Indy, the outdoors, canoeing, kayaking, fishing, hiking – and Dungeons and Dragons. Holly intends to get a group together to go bowling at Revs, or go out for a pub night. Contact her at: hollymargaretcollins@gmail.com or 778-988-3035.

KomSammen

KomSammen Gruppen mødes med Pastor Svend Faarvang den anden Onsdag i maaneden klokken 1:30:

Sept. 14 "En Hilsen fra Fyn".

Oct. 12 "To venner" - om Johannes Møllehave og Benny Andersen.



September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 12 Noon Ladies Aux. Meeting	2	3
4 Service 11:00 am Danish Pastor Faarvang	5	6 1:00 pm Knit2Gether	7	8 7:00 pm New Aux. Meeting	9	10
11 Service 11:00 am English: Pastor Faarvang Lunch	12	13 7:00 pm Board Meeting	14 1:30 pm KomSammen [Danish]	15 10:00 am Service Dania Manor	16	17
18 Service 11:00 am Danish Pastor Faarvang	19	20	21	22	23	24 6:00 pm Harvest Dinner
25 Service Breakfast 11:00 am English Pastor Faarvang	26	27	28 11:00 am Service Dania Home	29	30	

Pre-service Breakfasts

Come enjoy breakfast at 9:30am before the service at 11 am – September 25th & October 23rd.
 Sign up on the sheet in the hall or contact Doris at 604-534-3707 or e-mail knudnielsen@shaw.ca

October 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Service 11:00 am Danish Pastor Faarvang 1:00 ManCave	3	4 1:00 pm Knit2Gether	5	6 12:00 Ladies Aux. Meeting	7	8
9 Service 11:00 am English, Thanksgiving Pastor Faarvang Lunch	10	11 7:00 pm Board Meeting	12 1:30 pm KomSammen (Danish)	13 7:00 pm New Auxiliary Meeting	14	15
16 Service 11:00 am Danish Pastor Faarvang	17	18	19	20 10:00 am Service Dania Manor	21	22 Work Party ☺ 8:30 am Coffee - Work Work Work - Noon - Lunch
23 Service 9:30 am Breakfast 11:00 am English Pastor Faarvang	24	25	26 11:00 am Service Dania Home	27	28	29 11 am-2 pm → Fall Bazaar ←
30 Service 11:00 am English Pastor Faarvang 12:30 Lucia	31					

FALL BAZAAR ~ Saturday, October 29th from 11am to 2pm



This is the Church's biggest fundraising event of the year. Mark the date and bring your friends and family to enjoy the open-faced sandwiches, weinerbrød and lagkage. As always, you will find ... Home Cooking, White Elephant, Tombola, Nisser, Viking Hats, Advent Candles, and much much more.



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Fall Work Party

Saturday October 22nd at 9am

Come and be part of the team on October 22nd: work inside and out from 9:00am—a light breakfast of buns and coffee if you're here at 8:30am. There is a lot to be done, as you know, since we didn't have a Spring cleanup.

A full coffee urn will be available for those of you who need a coffee fix, and there will be lunch at 12 noon. We hope for a good turnout to get the church in tip top shape for the winter.

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Sunday, September 18th	11:00 AM Danish	
Sunday, September 25th	11:00 AM English	Breakfast 9:30 AM
Sunday, October 2nd	11:00 AM Danish	
Sunday, October 9th	11:00 AM English Thanksgiving Service	Lunch follows service
Sunday, October 16th	11:00 AM Danish	
Sunday, October 23rd	11:00 AM English	Breakfast 9:30 AM
Sunday, October 28th	11:00 AM English	