

**Sunday December 1 10:30am**  
**Chorealis' Annual Carols and Lessons**  
**– A Pioneer Christmas**

Join Chorealis choir for some cool tunes and heartwarming stories.

On this first Sunday of Advent, we harken back to the days of yore. The Christmas holidays have come a long way from the early days of the Pioneers. Even though the Christmas tree wasn't loaded with gifts, the small log cabins were filled with love.



Chorealis's repertoire includes secular and sacred works — from ABBA to Vivaldi. Our choir leaders are Karen Mills and Gordon Ritchie, two terrific musicians



**Friday December 6 6:30pm**  
**HAPPY HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS FLIGHT**  
A Comedy by David Haas

Can a quirky little airline get an ailing granny and a TV celebrity psychologist safely home for the holidays when big airlines cancel flights in a Christmas Eve blizzard?



**A FUNdraiser for UCE Youth Trip to Halifax**  
**– May 2020 CanUUdle**  
Plus UCE Youth Group Run Concession Stand –  
Coffee, Tea, Desserts

Doors 6:30pm

Show 7:00pm

Tickets \$15 from Karen Mills at UCE or 780-432-0826

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# Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup> 10:30am Christmas Tradition



I'm a fan of Christmas, and love the traditions. Looking back, I realize that even holiday tradition (for me) has changed, adapted, morphed, been rediscovered or dropped entirely. Perhaps tradition should be only what we make it. - Rev. Brian J. Kiely

Sunday December 8th  
after the church service:  
The Social Justice  
Committee is again  
sponsoring Amnesty  
International's **Write for  
Rights Campaign**

All materials will be  
provided to write letters  
to world leaders and

institutions in behalf of prisoners of conscience or human rights  
crises. This year, all 10 global cases will focus on young people  
under the age of 25 who are a leading force for change.



**Saturday December 14 6:00pm  
Dragging Youth - all ages drag show**



The next Dragging Youth Show will be Dec 14 Show at  
6pm Cash Donation at door of \$5 goes to youth  
charities, cash bar and snack table goes to charity too



**Tuesday, December 10th 7:00pm  
Religion on Tap**

Religion on Tap at the Metro, 10250 - 106 Street  
at 7 p.m. These are informal gatherings.  
Brian Kiely leads and all are welcome.



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**Sunday December 15 10:30am**

## **Mitten Tree Service**

Our annual service of pandemonious generosity is here! Come join us for this family service celebrating the holiday and culminating in the decorating of our Mitten Tree!

Bring new socks, hats, scarves, mittens so we can decorate our tree and then help the less fortunate stay a bit warmer this winter.

Don't forget your donations to decorate the tree!



We also light a special traditional candle to welcome new children who have been born in the past year, within the congregation, and in your larger family circles.



Following the service there will be a pancake brunch fundraiser by and for the UCE Youth.



**Monday December 16 7:00 pm**

## **Winter Wonderland with Edmonton Vocal Minority and Unitarian Church of Edmonton's Choralis Choir.**



A queer-friendly evening of music, activities, food, and good company with performances by both choirs, activities for the audience and refreshments provided by the singers. Admission is free and children are welcome. "Cash for carols" donations will go to local queer groups, and two raffle prizes will help support EVM.

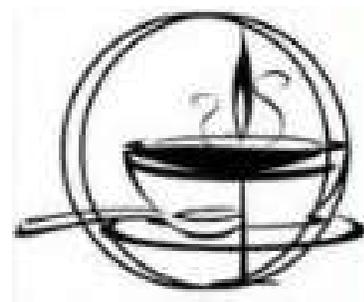


**Thursday December 19 6:30pm**

## **Choralis Potluck**



Come join the Choralis Choir as we break bread together. Bring food to share. – All are welcome



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**Sunday December 22 10:30am**

## **Simple Gifts**

No, this won't be a rant against gift shopping or exchanging. I'm sure you will have all finished your shopping by now anyway.



Many years I visit the Catholic Basilica for midnight Mass. I arrive early and just sit in the church of my childhood, 'talk' to my late parents and reflect on my life. It's one of my private simple gifts of the season.  
(all ages) - Rev. Kiely

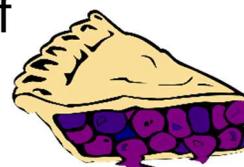


**Monday December 23 6:30 pm**

## **Blue Christmas**



For the 22nd year, we will offer a special service for those who struggle in the holiday season. Perhaps it's always hard for you, or maybe there is something in your life that makes this Christmas a little harder, a little lonelier, a little darker. Come into our safe space to acknowledge your feelings and stay afterwards for a simple shared supper of homemade soups, bread and pies.  
Everyone is most welcome.



**Tuesday December 24 7:00 pm**

## **Christmas Eve Service**

A simple quiet and restful service amid the noisiness of Christmas season. Come and rest awhile, hear the stories, and sing the songs.— Rev. Brian Kiely



**December 29 10:30am**

## **Readings and Reflections**



Join us for a quiet and informal service. Bring a reading or a poem to share about the season, the year gone by or whatever is exciting you that day. - Rev. Kiely



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