

United Mennonite Church Black Creek

Who are we as a church?

- We are a non-traditional Mennonite Church, strong in faith.
- We are a small group of Christ followers, 50- 70 members, quiet and mostly senior (retirees), with only 10% younger families. We are no longer a rural demographic centered in Black Creek but now have members from Comox and Courtenay to Campbell River. We are 10-15 minutes from these areas.
- We are a congregation-led church, not necessarily Pastor-led. Operating with a Council to give oversight to business as directed by the members through a small group council (4-5 members) with monthly meetings, as well as a ministerial team (a new ministry to replace deacons) with monthly meetings arranged by the pastor. All are volunteer positions except youth worker (¼ time), summer student, and a janitor.
- We have a worship team; we love music. We have a lay minister who works with the pastor and takes on responsibility as needed.
- Other activities include:
 - A strong child/youth leader, weekly youth group, active ,15-20, mostly non-affiliated (most younger attendees are no longer generational families or raised in this church)
 - Women's groups active in meeting, activities, supporting missions. We have a strong support for women in Leadership.
 - The church is mission oriented: MCC relief sale, food bank, community choir, noodle making, annual relief sale, fundraising for MCC.
 - Study groups – multiple weekly bible studies with strong leadership.

What do we have to offer a pastor?

- Part time position ½ to ¾ time due to COVID-19 impact
- A contract offering benefits within conference guidelines.
- A small but dedicated group of individuals who love God, desiring strong spiritual leadership.
- The freedom to design services and biblical based messages.
- Strong lay leadership to work with, well organized programs and strong ministry leaders.
- A dedicated council to provide direction and stability in general operations of the church. Supporting and working with the pastor to introduce new programs and visions.
- We have a good working relationship with the MCBC conference leaders.