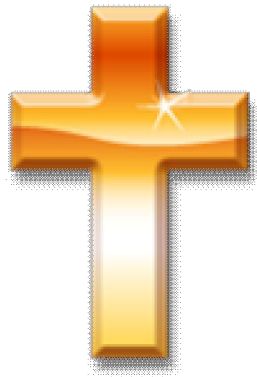




RED DEER LAKE UNITED CHURCH



MUSIC PROGRAMS

City Heart ~ Country Warmth!

Music Director - Lisa Fernandes



Lisa was born in Edmonton, Alberta. Her journey with music began with studying piano at the very early age of 6. Lisa performed as a vocal and piano soloist at her church in Edmonton then went on to compete in the Kiwanis Music Festival and other local and national events. She graduated from the University of Alberta with a Masters Degree in Music, majoring in Voice performance. While in Edmonton, Lisa had the privilege of singing with "Pro Coro Canada", one of the few professional Canadian choirs. Lisa has performed around the world as a vocal soloist in Austria, Germany, Spain, Sweden, Holland, and the Czech Republic. Lisa spent 5 years in Powell River, as the Head of the Voice department at the Academy of Music, the Conductor of several Academy Girls Choirs, and the Powell River United Church choral director. In 2006, Lisa joined Midlands United Church as the Music Director and Pianist which then amalgamated with Red Deer Lake in 2008. Lisa continues her work as the Vocal Coach for the Cantare Children's Choir and along with her own private music studio.

Accompanist - Duarte Silva



Duarte was born on Pico Island, Azores Portugal and immigrated to Canada at the age of three. As a child, he loved to sing and participate in church functions. At the age of 13, Duarte started

piano and violin lessons. During his teenage years, his family returned to the Azores where he finished High School and Conservatory on violin and viola. Since 1993, Duarte has returned to Canada, completed a music degree at Canadian University College [1999], finished a Masters in Musicology at the University of Calgary [2004], played in the Red Deer Orchestra [1995-1999] and played in the Okanogan and Prince George Orchestra [2000-2004]. He presently teaches in Calgary.

SUNDAY ADULT CHOIR

Conductor: Lisa Fernandes

The Sunday Adult Choir has about 18-25 members, and is most eager to include anyone who loves to sing ~ all are welcome! The Adult Choir offers leadership with congregational Hymns, Anthems and special music to not only support Worship, but to also deepen the spiritual experience of the service. Choir members have the opportunity to:

- Gain musicianship skills [singing, vocal technique, ear training, literacy, theory, part work, diction, language skills, memory]
- Learn concepts about music [melody, rhythm, harmony, timbre, dynamics, form, and tempo]
- Learn a variety of styles of music including gospel, traditional and contemporary.

Rehearsals are held Thursday evenings from 7:15-9:00. No audition is required.

All are welcome!

For more information, please contact Lisa through the church office.

OTHER MUSIC MINISTRIES

WWJD SINGERS (Children ages 6+)

Conductor: Cathy Thomsen.

The initials WWJD mean "What would Jesus Do?" This Children's Choir practice once per week, following the Sunday service. They share their musical talents 3 or more times per year in addition to participating with the Adult Choir in the Christmas and Easter Cantatas. All children are invited to join the WWJD Singers!

For further information please contact Cathy Thomsen through the church office.

CANTATAS:

Director Lisa Fernandes

Accompanist Duarte Silva

Cantatas at Christmas and Easter are a seasonal delight with the combined talents of Choirs, (25-35+ are needed) plus Actors and band musicians. Auditions are not necessary, but a commitment of 90% attendance is required. Practices are held Thursdays from 8:15-9:30. Join us in this exciting music ministry!

For information please contact Lisa through the church office.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Experienced musicians are invited and encouraged to perform Special Music for Worship or events throughout the year. If interested please contact Lisa through the church office.

DREAMS FOR OUR FUTURE

YOUTH

Calling all Youth ~ the possibilities for your involvement in worship is exciting. We would love to hear your ideas:

- This might include solos, duets, choir, and a Band
- Options: Teen Choir (ages 11-14) and/or Youth Singers (ages 15-19)

Share your input ~ Contact Lisa through the church office.

SONG TEAMS (Auditioned):

Special "Song Teams" support and enhance the spiritual growth and development of the congregation through music. Each Song Team will:

- Rehearse on a bi-weekly basis
- Provide leadership with hymns
- Support spiritual nurture

Anyone interested please contact Lisa through the church office.



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