

Community Information & Volunteer Centre

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Everyone has a place to go for Christmas and New Year's dinners

Not one person should spend Christmas alone! This great slogan is not too good to be true. It means free turkey dinner with all the trimmings here in Kelowna.

Victory Life Fellowship is hosting the ninth annual Christmas Day Dinner on December 25th beginning at 5 pm at Parkinson Recreation Centre, 1800 Parkinson Way in Kelowna. Tickets are not needed.

“Christmas is a time of warmth, giving, and family. A time to spread joy and hope! Not one person should have to spend Christmas Day alone! Come join us!” says, Pastor Diana Tripke.

Celebrate with hundreds of people as you relax over a hot, nourishing meal. Enjoy the music and live entertainment.

Over 250 food gift bags filled with non-perishable items will be given away to guests on a first come, first served basis.

No one needs to be alone on New Year's Day either. People at First United Church with vision and compassion for our community started this free holiday dinner over 25 years ago.

Pick up your free ticket at First United Church located at 721 Bernard Avenue, Kelowna. For more information, you can phone 250-762-3311

Come for door opening at 5 pm and sip some hot cider. The dinner begins at 5:30 pm.

A sumptuous meal of turkey, ham and beef with all the trimmings is topped off with sweet treats. Guests are invited to take leftovers home for enjoyment the next day.

A volunteer greeter helps guests feel welcome at each table. The meal is followed by a leisurely time of carol singing, games and door prizes.

Maybe you would like to donate food or money in support of these special events.

You can contact Victory Life Fellowship or First United Church through the Kelowna Community Resources online database at www.kcr.ca, 'Community Information Search Central Okanagan'.

Dawn Wilkinson manages the Community Information and Volunteer Centre at Kelowna Community Resources. Go to kcr.ca and click on Volunteer Opportunities Search to create your volunteer profile. View all the Volunteer Centre columns at: kcr.ca/volunteercolumn. Contact 250-763-8008 ext 24 or informkelowna@kcr.ca.