## **Kids' Ministry**

Schedule for March 2019
March 24, 2019 House of The Lord
March 31, 2019 Let Your Light Shine!



## **Prayer Boxes**

We now have prayer boxes on our two candle-lighting/prayer stations on either side of the sanctuary. We have also placed prayer cards in

the pockets of the chairs. If you have a prayer request, please use the prayer cards and place them in the prayer boxes. All prayers will be forwarded to the prayer group. If you wish to have the prayers published in the bulletin or a card sent to someone, please check the appropriate box on the prayer card. If a card is requested please put the address of the



person who will receive the card in the space provided. The cards must be folded before being placed in the prayer box. Please fold with personal information on the inside of the card.

## **Healing Ministry**

The Healing Ministry will provide sessions on the first and third Monday of each month from 1 to 4pm. Please contact Gisela Dyck at 403-938-2506.

# Announcements Sunday, March 24, 2019

#### This Week...

Thursday - Bible Study - Conference Room - 10:00 - 11:30 am - all welcome

Thursday - Choir Practice - Sanctuary - 7:00 - 8:30 pm

## Can you bake some goodies for a Mission Possible Fundraiser?

The Mission Possible Team will be supplying drinks and snacks for sale at the intermission of the Prairie Mountain Fiddlers Spring Concert at Okotoks United Church Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to make a tray of goodies. If you can donate your baking talents please bring in your offering on Friday March 29<sup>th</sup> or Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup> and leave in the kitchen refrigerator with a label for Mission Possible. If you have any questions please contact Gary Dzurka @ 403-992-3334

#### **New Members Easter 2019**

In the United Church of Canada, all who come to the church to participate in the life and work of the community are welcome to participate in all ministries (with the exception of being on the Board and some committees). Some however, want to make a more formal commitment to the United Church, to the congregation and to the life and work of this faith community.

If you would like to become a member of the church, Julia is facilitating a **New Member's Class** on **Sunday, April 7**<sup>th</sup> from **12:30 – 3:00 p.m**. Please sign-up for the class on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you have been a member of the United Church in the last few years and would like to transfer membership, please call Diane to arrange the transfer. If you have not been a member in another congregation in the last two years, please take the membership class here to join at Easter.

## It's Time to Sing!

We would love to have you come sing with us. Practices are held Thursday nights at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary at the church. All are welcome, no matter your musical ability. We love to just have fun!



#### Join Julia for a Walk

Every Tuesday from 9 - 10 Julia will be walking at the Crescent Point Regional Field House. Join her and others for a walk and a chat.

## Say Cheese! Photo Directory

A photo directory really helps us get to know each other better. Putting a name to a face can make someone feel welcome in our community of faith. So put on a smile and line up for your photo! The next photos will be taken after Sunday services April 7th, 14th and 28th.



## U of A Mixed Chorus needs billets April 30th.

Billets are needed for one evening on April 30th to provide bed and breakfast for the University of Alberta Mixed Chorus (UAMC). They will be doing a fundraiser at Okotoks United Church on April 30th. If you can billet one or two people it would be greatly appreciated. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule. This year is the 75th anniversary of the UAMC going on tour.

As well as singers, this choir includes the Faculty of Education Handbell Ringers. This group has grown to become one of the largest and most renowned handbell choirs in North America. All proceeds from the concert and Intermission snacks will go to Okotoks United Church.

## **Dementia: A Day of Learning**

On Saturday, March 30th from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm the Red Deer Lake United Church is hosting a free day of workshops focusing on brain health and caring for those with dementia or Alzheimer's. For more information please see the poster on the community bulletin board in the foyer.

## **Congregational Care Team**

Reaching out, supporting, encouraging and compassionately caring for one another is part of being a faith community. Sometimes, regardless of age or life stage, we all need help and support to get through life's challenges. And so, we serve one another through kindness, humility, patience and gentleness - always aware of God's great love. Our Congregational Care Team invites you to reach out for our confidential spiritual and compassionate care, contact okcongregationalcare@telus.net, Rev. Jonelle at 403 650-5166 or the church office at 403 938-4357.

## **Camp Caravan**

Camp Caravan is a summer day-camp program for children in preschool to grade 6. Children will explore ways in which they can experience God's love and "Follow the Spirit" in their everyday lives, all while building friendships and having fun.

WHEN? JULY 8-12
Okotoks United Church
Cost? \$125/child.

Financial support is available! We do not turn children away! (Speak to Julia). Please see poster on Bulletin Board for more information. Join us on our journey to discover God's exciting gifts and love!

## Save the Date - Okotoks United Church Yard Sale

Our Church will be hosting a Yard Sale on Saturday, May 18 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. This is a great fundraiser for our Church so dust off your seldom/never used articles (no clothing or furniture please) and bring them to the Church during office hours May 13th to 17th. We are also in need of plastic grocery bags for this event. Hot dogs and beverages will be available for \$3.00. Your donations will be greatly appreciated. Spread the word!!!