

KIDS MINISTRY

More information coming soon!

YOUTH GROUP

Open to all youth ages 12 - 18

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2016 OFFERING ENVELOPES

2016 offering envelopes are available for pick up from the literature table in the Foyer.

Please note these start on January 3, 2016, **please do not use 2015 offering envelopes after December 2015.** If you don't have offering envelopes but would like them, please contact Denyse in the church office.

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SUNDAY JANUARY 17, 2016

Today

Please pick up the Okotoks United Church *Annual Report* in preparation for our Annual General Meeting on **January 31, 2014**. A light lunch will be served followed by our meeting. This year in addition our regular business we will be voting on whether or not we will sponsor refugees. Please plan to attend and let your voice be heard.

Next Week

Plan to join us to hear about the Refugee situation and possibilities for Sponsorship in preparation for the AGM.

March 8, 2016 is International Women's Day!

If you are interested in joining a committee to plan an **Okotoks United Church International Women's Day event** please contact Carol Price at 403 9824442 or email carol.a.price@shaw.ca.

Ladies Night Out -Saturday March 5, 2016

DeWinton Community Hall - Doors open at 5:30, Cocktails, 3 course dinner, silent auction, fashion show and entertainment!

This year we present "Crooning Through Time" starring Robbie Maxwell

Tickets are \$45.00

Available in the church office, or see Heather Avis at church on Sundays. Exact cash or cheque gratefully requested.

For more information or to reserve your table of 8 or more, please call Heather at 403-995-1141.

Did you know that silent auction donations are tax deductible? Let us know what the value is of the donation, and it can be added to your church givings. **ALL DONATIONS VERY GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED.** Just drop them off at the church office or contact Heather at 403-995-1141, or Pat at 403-938-7533.

HERE AT LAST, OUR OWN BULLETIN COVERS!

There are lots of opportunities to sponsor one of these wonderful weeks.

Your \$20 cost covers \$13.00 to the Mission and Service fund with the last \$7.00 going towards the printing costs. Sign up sheets are located on the bulletin board in the Foyer and your donation can be dropped off in the office.

Photographs are still needed. Please submit your unique camera shots via thumb drive to Betty-Lou for consideration. We have lots of scenery shots already. Remember Thanksgiving and Christmas memories are high on the lists.
Happy snapping!

HARMONY GROUP TURKEY POT PIES

The Harmony Group will be making Turkey Pot Pies on **Tuesday January 19**. Pies are \$5.00 each, please place your order on the sign up sheet in the Foyer. **All orders will be ready for pick up on that date between 12:00 - 2:00pm.**

Payment is due at time of pick up.

SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY JANUARY 31, 2016 - 2015 AGM

The Ministry Board, responsible for all programs that relate to the life, worship and work of the congregation, is accepting nominations for the AGM on January

31, 2016. All board positions are 2 year terms. Meetings are held once a month. There are additional meetings with the Governing board. This is a fantastic opportunity to deepen your faith, learn more about your church and to further our mission: With Gods help we are: Following Jesus, Reaching Others and Changing Lives. If you are interested please contact Joanne Dzurka for more information at 403-938-3945 or dzurkaj@xplornet.ca.

*****Please note nominations will not be taken from the floor at the AGM.***

HEALING PATHWAY MINISTRY HOURS

The Healing Ministry will provide sessions on the **first and third Monday of each month from 1-4pm.**

Please contact Gisela Dyck at (403) 938 - 2506.

WHAT'S HAPPENING??

Please be sure to check the OUC Church News Board and the Community News Board in the Foyer for all the exciting upcoming events!

"WHEN YOU COME WEARING SLIPPERS" LADIES RETREAT MORE SPOTS HAVE BEEN OPENED UP!

Ladies, are you tired and need a break from everyday life? Well, sign up for the Okotoks United Women's Retreat! **April 29th to May 1st, 2016 at the FCJ Centre in Calgary**, located close to the Talisman Centre on the Bow River.

This retreat will be **limited to 25 women**. Cost is **\$175.00 per person** two sharing a room with two beds. Includes 4 meals, snacks, use of any room in the facility, media equipment. etc. and accommodation. Rev. Julia will facilitate the weekend. Sign up soon as space is limited. Fun, fellowship, renewal, and great way to get to know the wonderful ladies in our church. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Foyer. A couple of volunteers are needed to help.

Final payment and attendance confirmation will be due the end of February to the church office.

Don't forget to bring your best or funniest slippers!

Any questions or concerns please call Linda Wilson at 403-862-3609.

FOOD FOR FUN LUNCHES

The Food For Fun lunches were a great success in 2015 so we will be continuing them in 2016! This year we are asking the congregation for a one time donation of \$20.00 to cover the cost of the lunches for the year.

If you are able to contribute, please see Sharon Campbell after worship on Sundays or drop your donation off at the office in an envelope marked Food For Fun.

The first lunch will be held on Sunday January 31 during the AGM and will be sponsored by the Worship Committee.

Hope to see everyone there!

INN FROM THE COLD JANUARY 21

The next Inn will be held Thursday January 21. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Foyer if you are able to help. We encourage anyone who hasn't had a chance to experience helping with this ministry to sign up. It is a great way to meet members of the congregation while helping those in need. If you have any questions please contact

Bev Carlson at bevcarlson@nucleus.com

BOOKING SPACE?

With all of the Church activities, ministries and outside events happening in the building it is important to check with Denyse in the office for availability and securing of space for any and all activities. This will help ensure that you have the space you need when you need it without booking conflicts.

Thank you in advance for keeping this in mind when you are planning your events, meetings and activities.