

### Any Questions?

Feel free to ask a greeter or welcome host for assistance.

**Enhanced Audio** headsets for the hard of hearing are available from the sound person.

**Washrooms** are located in the foyer, one in the nursery and two more near the church office.

### Can't find it in the bulletin?

Check out our website for all the latest on our upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, detailed information on our core values, and much more!

**Sermon:** Our sermons for each week are uploaded on our website.

**Congregational Care:** Our Congregational Care Team invites you to reach out for our confidential spiritual and compassionate care, contact [okcongregational-care@telus.net](mailto:okcongregational-care@telus.net) or the church office at 403-938-4357.

**Stay connected!** Sign up for our weekly emails - keep in touch throughout the week through our website. E-mail Diane Willis at [okunited@telus.net](mailto:okunited@telus.net) to sign up for our weekly e-mails.

**Healing Ministry - Healing Ministry** - the Healing Ministry Healing Session take place the first and third Monday of each month from 1:00 - 4:00. Please contact Gisela Dyck at 403-938-2506 for more information or to book an appointment.

**OUR WELCOME HOSTS ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP TOO!!**

You can find them in the entryway

### Bulletin Photos Needed:

If you have photos that you'd like to have in the bulletin please email them to Betty-Lou Bayley at [blbayley67@gmail.com](mailto:blbayley67@gmail.com).

**I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW  
CALGARY MEN'S CHORUS  
SOUTHERN ALBERTA TOUR**

Saturday, March 14th at 7 PM

Okotoks United Church

43 Riverside Drive

Tickets: \$15 sold in OUC office,  
for more information call 403-938-4357

*Proceeds going to Okotoks Pride in the Park*

### Loving Our Neighbours Stewardship Team:

Your "Loving Our Neighbours" Stewardship team this year is Karen Jones, Stewart Thomas and Karen Pryznyk. We would be happy to talk to you anytime. We plan to keep you informed each month about the places your donations are having an impact in our church, our community and our world. Thank you for all your time talent and treasure.



### 2019 Tax Receipts Are Available:

The 2019 tax receipts are available for pick before and after this Sunday's service in the Foyer. If you picked up your tax receipt last week please replace it the new receipts and destroy the original ones. A glitch in our system left out some donations.

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**With God's Help we are:  
Following Jesus,  
Reaching Others,  
Changing Lives**





## OKOTOKS-DEWINTON UNITED CHURCHES

**Sunday, February 23, 2020**

**Theme: Healing**

**Worship Leader: Rev. Julia Kimmett**

**Congregational responses are printed in bold**

**\*Indicates: please stand in body or in spirit**

Prelude

Lighting the Christ Candle

Work of the Community (Announcements)

Word of Welcome

Gathering Chorus: Draw the Circle Wide (Chorus x2) MV 145

Acknowledging the Territory

Invitation to Worship

*What is it we want from life, from God, from the few years we walk on earth?*

**It would be nice if we could experience peace, within and without.**

*And where do we think we'll find that?*

**It's hard to say. We keep looking.**

*Perhaps we are looking in the wrong places.*

**Maybe what we're looking for can only be found when we turn to Jesus.**

*Then let's turn to Jesus now.*

**Come Jesus, Come. Guide us in our seeking. Heal us in our woundedness.**

\*Hymn: Creator God You Gave Us Life MV 27

Healing Pathway

Time with the Young and Young at Heart

\*Hymn: What Can I Do MV 191

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Choir Anthem: Healin' Stream Gatlin/Christopher

Scripture: John 8:1-11

Sermon: Writing in Sand

Communion Hymn: I Come with Joy VU 477

Communion

Prayers of the People and The Prayer that Jesus Taught VU 959

\* Hymn: O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go VU 658

\*Go Out and Change the World (Commissioning)

\*Blessing

\*Going Out: Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New MV 115

Postlude

## **Theme for February:**

### **Healing**

#### **Kid's Ministry:**

Kids, newborn to 4 years are welcome in the nursery anytime during the service. The nursery is located next to the Sanctuary near the west foyer door. Kids aged 5+ are invited to join Candice for the Kid's Ministry program.

#### **New Comers!**

We would love to get to know you! You are welcome to fill out a card that is in the chair in front of you in the sanctuary. If you have any questions about our church please see our host after today's service.

### **Prayer needs:**

A young child known as "C" battling childhood leukemia.

Orlin M. recovering from major surgery.

Doreen - who suffers from Dementia

Northminster United Church - Calgary

All those going through poverty and having increased challenges paying bills and buying food

Anne Spice - advocacy work

### **Prayer Requests**

If you have a prayer request please fill out a Prayer Card (found in the seat pocket in front of you) and deposit it in one of the Prayer Boxes found on the candle-lighting stations at the front of the sanctuary.

Requests may also be emailed to:

[okcongregationacare@telus.net](mailto:okcongregationacare@telus.net)

## **Church Happenings:**

**Choir** - come join the choir every Thursday evening from 7:00 - 9:00 in the Sanctuary.

**Bible Study** - Come join us for weekly Bible Study Thursday mornings 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room upstairs. This year we will be studying Acts. All are welcome to come learn with us!

**Healing Ministry** - the Healing Ministry Healing Session take place Monday, March 2nd 1:00 - 4:00. Please contact Gisela Dyck at 403-938-2506 for more information or to book an appointment.

### **Kids' Ministry Schedule for February 2020**

February 21 - Youth Group

February 23 - Healings of Jesus



## **Get Your Fill of Pancakes**

**Shrove Tuesday** is just around the corner. **Tuesday, February 25th** is Shrove Tuesday. The youth and men of the congregation will be serving up pancakes and sausages from 5 – 7 p.m. Drop-in for a bite to eat and some good conversation. Cost is by donation. Proceeds to go to the Youth for projects.

## **2020 International Women's Day Event:**



A Potluck Celebrations with Rowan House

Society and the Okotoks United Church take place on Friday, March 6 from 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm. Bring a potluck contribution and join us for an evening of art, music, poetry and inspiring speakers in honour of all the amazing women of the Foothills. Featured keynote speakers will be Okotoks Councillor Tanya Thorn and Executive Director of CUPS Carlene Donnelly. Guest performers are Tanya Ryan and Cowboy Poet, Doris Daley. If you plan on attending please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer. For more information please contact Carol Price at [carol.a.price@shaw.ca](mailto:carol.a.price@shaw.ca).

### **Rendez-Vous 2020 Comes to Alberta**

Save the date: August 11 - 14, 2020 for Rendez-vous 2020. Check out the poster on the Community Bulletin Board. To make this the best Rendez-vous your help is needed. Volunteers are needed for a variety of roles including greeters, set up and take down as well as other roles. To find out more about Rendez-vous 2020, visit their website: [www.uccrendezvous.ca](http://www.uccrendezvous.ca)

### **Food For Fun: Sunday March 8th.**

Food for Fun is an opportunity for people to gather for fellowship and conversation. Each month we need 8 people to sign up to bring soup (enough for 20 people), serve it and clean up after. Buns will be provided. Set-up will be taken care of. If we share the load, we hope that people will only have to do it once a year. Sign-up on bulletin board for March's Food for Fun.

In the spirit of respect and truth, we acknowledge that we live, work and worship on the traditional territories of the people of Treaty 7 – the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, Piikani), the Tsuut'ina, the Stoney-Nakoda Nations and the Métis Nation, Region 3. The United Church is committed to restoring right relations with the first peoples and to living in peace and harmony on this land.

### **Affirming Ministry**

Okotoks United will be hosting the Calgary Men's Chorus on March 14<sup>th</sup> and co-hosting Pride in the Park at Percy Pegler School on June 27<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for some people to help out with both events. If you can help out the Affirming Ministry Team with either of these events, please let Julia know.

### **Cookies for after service:**

If you'd like to bake cookies for the congregation to enjoy after service please give Gayle MacPherson a call at 403-938-1971 or Heather Puttee at 403-652-7778.



**The OUC AGM will take place on February 23rd from 12:30 - 2:00. Please note that lunch will be provided.**

