



~ANNOUNCEMENTS & INVITATIONS as of November 23, 2018~

- **Many Thanks** ~ for all the help in hosting the final meeting of Coronation Presbytery. We were certainly well fed thanks to the Stettler & Erskine United Church Women, and the Stettler Men's Breakfast Group. The Stettler Senior Singers came to share their anthem *Say It With a Song*, and you can see the recording at: <https://youtu.be/YTcUIL096V0>

Save the Dates ~ Advent-Christmas

- **November 30th ~ Come and Visit** Stettler United Church after the downtown Christmas tree is lit (6:00... on...) Craft luminaries as decorations and/or "lights of remembrance" for loved ones past; Sing; Celebrate; Take photos @ the Nativity Photo Booth... **More Hosts/Volunteers Needed**
- **UCW Tea & Bazaar**, December 1st, 2-4:00 p.m. **More Hosts/Volunteers Needed**
- **1st Sunday of Advent**, Communion Service, December 2nd, 10:30
- **Christmas Potluck & Party** for all women of Stettler United Church, December 5 @ 6:00 pm
- **Choir Carol Festival** ~ December 12 @ 7:00 pm (donations to Stettler & District Food Bank)
- **Cantata styled Service (music and narration)** ~ December 16 @ 10:30. Please bring gifts for sharing with Stettler Christmas Hamper Society)
- **Light & Hope Service** ~ December 16 @ 4:00 p.m.
- **Shared services with St. George's Anglican** ~ December 23rd @ Stettler United Church @ 10:30; and December 30th @ St. George's @ 10:00 a.m.
- **Christmas Eve Candle Light Service** ~ December 24 @ 7:00 p.m. (volunteers for special parts, especially Holy Family, please contact Jan)

Upcoming:

- **Sanctuary Christmas Decorating ~ Nov 26th ***Who can volunteer to set up the Christmas Tree & Advent Wreath??** (The Worship Committee finish things from there!)
 - **Avabelli Dance Troupe ~ Mondays at 7:00 pm**
 - **CE Christmas Decorating ~ Tuesday Nov 27th**
 - **M & P ~ Tuesday Nov 27th @ 4:15 pm**
 - **Men's Breakfast ~ Wednesdays @ 7:00 am**
 - **Church Mice Art Group ~ Wednesdays @ 10 am**
 - **Lunch, Learning & Laughter ~ Fridays @ Noon**
 - **Scrappers Unite ~ November 23 & 24th ~ starting at Noon on Friday**
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- **Lunch, Learning & Laughter** ~Fridays at noon ~ people from St. George's Anglican, and Stettler United Church join in a lunchtime discussion with one or both ministers. Please attend. The Bible Readings for the upcoming Sunday (Reign of Christ Sunday) 2 Samuel 23:1-7 (David's Song); and John 18:33-37 (Pilate questions Jesus).
 - **2019 Canadian Church Calendar** ~ Available in the office \$4.00 each. Please bring the correct change, as I don't keep any in the office. Thank you.

Lodge & Care Home Worship Services;

- **Points West** ~ November 23rd @ 3:30 p.m.
 - **Heart Haven** ~ (2:45) and Heritage House (3:30), December 2nd
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- **Financials as of October 31, 2018**
General Revenue = \$133,880 (Budget \$173,125)
General Expenses = \$157,312 (Budget \$194,395)
Mission & Service Fund = \$12,281 (Goal = \$20,500)
 - **The Annual Christmas Bazaar** ~ December 01st ~ is sneaking up on us and the following is what is needed to make this event a success:
 - Cookies (for the cookie walk)
 - Crafts (for the craft sale)
 - Baking (for the bake sale)Please drop off Thursday November 29th before noon, or Friday November 30th. Contact Letty Docherty @ 403-742- 8465 if you have any questions. **AND** People to help on the day of the Bazaar (the tables etc) December 1st, please contact Letty at 403-742-8465.

Thanks for all your help in making this annual event a success.

- **Website Updates:** <http://www.stettlerunitedchurch.org/news>

WIDER CHURCH ~ CHURCH IN COMMUNITY

- **Rev David Holmes is Turning 80!** Please celebrate with him. Saturday, November 24, 2:00 p.m. @ St. George's Anglican Church
- **Dream a Dream ~ A pre-Advent Concert in support of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank**, November 25 @ 2:00 PM @ Knox United Church, Castor. Featuring original music by Shirley Erena Murray and Ron Klusmeier, and old favorite hymns to sing along. 100% of proceeds will go to relieve world hunger.
- **2018 Gifts With Vision** ~ New gifts, new hope. The new Gifts with (hardcopy) is pinned to the bulletin board in the CE wing, OR you can look online: <https://www.giftswithvision.ca/>
- **Cantus Choir & The Jazz Guys in Concert** ~ Stettler Performing Arts Centre, Sunday December 09 @ 7:30 pm. Tickets: \$10.00 Adults – Students/Children Free. Tickets available at the door, from performers or phone 403-742-3265
- **Christmas Concert by Gracenotes** (and other students of Rhonda Newton Sylvester's) ~ Stettler Performing Arts Centre, December 07 @ 7:00 pm & December 08 @ 1:00 pm. Tickets available at Wells Furniture.
- **Moderator's Message ~ Advent** ~ a time to reset and rebalance our lives <https://www.united-church.ca/news/moderators-advent-message-2018>
- **Advent Intentions** ~ Sign up to receive a daily Advent Intention from LEAD (Living Everyday As a Disciple) <https://waytolead.org/advent-intentions-2018/?fbclid=IwAR04m3J4yXy8wBH9K4AJAupzmZo2ajLzFniRgtXPLpLYMBY-sGdYuZG9wuY>
- **Advent Unwrapped** ~ The United Church of Canada site with resources to help us get ready for Christmas <http://www.adventunwrapped.ca/>

