

Welcome to Okotoks United Church

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OUC 100TH ANNIVERSARY

There will be invitations on the literature table that congregants can give to people in the community for our 100th anniversary celebration. Please take as many as you need. We want to encourage everyone who contributed to the life and work of the church over the years to be a part of this important weekend!

KIDS'S MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Kid's Ministry is looking for volunteers for many programs this winter/spring. We require volunteers to assist in Sunday School and participate in the It Takes a Village Program. We also require additional volunteers to help with supervision of Youth Group. If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer your time (we would be so grateful!)

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AB & NW CONFERENCE - UCC CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY ORDINATION OF JUSTIN MCNEILL

*Sat May 27 - Banquet 6:00pm (\$40.00)

**Sun May 28 - Service 10:00am
(reception to follow)

Pomeroy Inn & Suites - Olds, AB

*To purchase banquet tickets, contact Melanie at

(780) 435-3995 or melanie@anwconf.com

**Car pooling is being arranged for the Sunday service - please sign up on the bulletin board in the Foyer if you can drive or need a ride

> For more information please contact Stewart Thomas (403) 999-0796

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

FOOTHILLS PRESBYTERY PRESENTS

A special Educational Event open to all congregations in Foothills Presbytery

Monday June 5, 2017 Crossfield United Church 4:30 - 9:00pm (Dinner @ 5:30pm) Guest Speaker: John Pentland Cost: \$15 (includes dinner) Registration Deadline: May 15, 2017

Please see the poster on the bulletin board in the Foyer for more information.

DEWINTON SPRING PLANT SALE

For sale this year:

10" Strawberry	\$20.00
13" hanging planters	\$28.00
13" planter	\$30.00
16" hanging basket	\$50.00
18" planter	\$50.00

Deadline for orders is Wed. May 10th Pickup will be Tues. May 23rd at OUC (time to be determined)

An order form is located on the Church bulletin board in the Foyer.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Would you like to receive visits, phone calls, meals, prayers, prayer shawls, healing pathways ministry or caring cards for yourself or for those in need?

- Contact Julie Leggett at (403) 827-5131 or okcongregationalcare@telus.net
- Call the church office at (403) 938-4357 or email okunited@telus.net
- or approach anyone on the Congregational Care Team identified by the blue heart on their church name tag.

SOUND TRAINING/REFRESHER PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

Keith Bayley will be offering sound training/refresher on Sunday May 14 from 12-2pm. This is open to anyone from people who are just interested to people that may want to become a part of the sound team.

Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Foyer if you would like to attend.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Volunteers are needed to help make lunches on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 9:00am in the OUC kitchen. If you would like to help, please sign up on the dates you are available on the calendar located on the bulletin board in the Foyer.

For more information please contact Brian & Shannon Olson at (403) 938-2993.

DEWINTON MOTHERS DAY TEA

SATURDAY MAY 6 @ 2:00pm
DeWinton Community Hall
Tickets - \$25.00 - reserved seating
(doors open at 1:30pm, not before)
There will be a photo booth and silent auction.

For tickets or more information please contact Bonnie Campbell at (587) 226-3839

KIDS & YOUTH MINISTRY

May-12 Youth Group May-14 INTERGEN

May-21 Who is Your Superhero?

May-26 Youth Group

May-28 How Do I Become a Superhero?

KIDS SUMMER CAMPS

Information on various summer camps for kids & youth is available in the stand on the literature table.

OBSERVER MAGAZINE

It is renewal time for the Observer. If you are currently a subscriber an email as been sent to you with renewal details. If you would like to subscribe the cost is \$25.00 for 1 year and payment is due to the office **before May 1.**



Thank you so much to our United Church Serving Team: Donna L., Mary & Norm W., Ellen K., Christine M., Barbara E., Jacquie V., and P. Marie W.,

for helping us here at the Okotoks Food Bank!
Requests for assistance continue to increase every year, with a dramatic 96% jump from 2014 to 2016.
As a result, most every hamper day is fully booked.
We take great pride in being able to meet the needs of the families in our care. It is only with the generous gifts of time and talent from our dedicated volunteers that we are able to fulfill our mission. You are all amazing! Thank you kindly, Sheila & Sandi

SUNDAES ON A SUNDAY

Do you like ice cream sundaes and are you hungry as a bear after church? The Ladies Retreat group is doing a fundraiser to help with an unfortunate substantial increase incurred in the cost of the facility for their retreat. Ice cream with your choice of syrup and toppings.

The cost for this lovely treat is by donation.

So, bring your appetite and cash on Sunday May 7! Sundaes will be served

immediately following Worship.Thank you in advance for your support!

CROCUS ARE BLOOMING AT THE BUFFALO JUMP

I am offering to guide anyone interested to the Old Woman's Buffalo Jump this WED MAY 3, leaving the church East parking lot at 1:30pm.

The crocus that bloom are the largest, most beautiful around and I love being at this site, especially at this time of year. Elizabeth Pitura (403) 938-2567

MISSION POSSIBLE FUNDRAISING CONCERT & SILENT AUCITON Sunday June 11th @ 7pm

To support our partners in the Dominican Republic

we are hosting a concert and silent auction with the performing artists GREAT PLAINS. Darrel and Saskia have performed in our church in the past and perform a variety of musical flavors from folk, Celtic, bluegrass and gospel. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. If you would like to donate a silent auction item for the concert please leave your item with Denyse. Tickets are available at the church office during the week or on Sundays at our Mission Possible booth.

UPPER ROOM

Copies of the May-June Upper Room are available on the literature table for \$3.00 each.

Why Not Take Your Worship Bulletin and Announcements Home....

and pray the prayers in it every day the next week, read the scripture again, read through the words of the hymns? Discover what God is saying to you through the words and activities we share as a community.

PLEASE NOTE

As a result of our recent fire inspection and due to fire regulations, the following doors in the building must be kept closed at all times and not be left propped open for any reason. These are fire safe doors that are meant to keep a fire from spreading quickly into various rooms/areas and when necessary allow time for the safe exit of anyone in those rooms.

*The doors at the top and bottom of the basement stairs off of the back hallway.

*The 3 red doors at the top of the back stairs: the Recovery Room, the one leading to the 3^{rd} floor apartment and the one leading to the 2^{nd} floor common area.

Thank you