

KIDS MINISTRY

February 7 Intergenerational Service
February 14 Communion
Food For Fun Lunch - sponsored by Kids Ministry
Curriculum - Carol

YOUTH GROUP

February 5 - Nancy Ferguson
February 9 - Shrove Tuesday 4-6pm
February 19 - Melanie & Ken Toews



SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2016

SHROVE TUESDAY - PANCAKE SUPPER

FEBRUARY 9, 2016

4:00 - 6:00pm

Electric skillets are needed. If you have one that you can lend, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Foyer and **bring it into the church before Sunday Feb 7.** Please label with your name and leave in the kitchen. Thanks

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.

SEDER MEAL

The Seder Meal originally planned for Ash Wednesday, February 10th, will be postponed to Thursday, March 24th (Maundy Thursday) to better reflect the season. Please sign-up on bulletin board if you wish to attend.

There will be no Ash Wednesday service.

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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 contributions.

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.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

Julia will be facilitating a **New Member's Class on Saturday, March 5th, 9:30 - 3:30**, for anyone who wishes to join the church. If you are interested in joining or just want to know more about the church, please plan to attend. You do not have to commit to joining at that time. There is no cost and all are welcome. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you are planning to attend.

LENTEN CONVERSATIONS

Join Julia Wednesday evenings starting **February 10 - March 23** from **6:30 - 8:00 p.m.** for conversations on the theme of **Moving from Darkness to Light**. What are the issues that keep us up at night or keep us in fear and how do we move toward "resurrection" living. Please sign-up on bulletin board in foyer if you plan to attend any or all of the sessions.

MARCH 8 - INTERNATIONAL WOMEN' 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) 982-4442 or email carol.a.price@shaw.ca.

PASTORAL CARE LEADER

Are you interested in Pastoral Care for Okotoks United Church? If you would like to work with Rev. Julia to serve our faith community, please see the contract description on the bulletin board in the foyer and contact her directly by **February 14**.

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Are you curious about our church history or want to learn more? **Join Joanne for this 6 part series as we explore our past.** Bring your stories or just come to listen and learn. Everyone welcome!

Part I: The Early Years (1882-Union 1917)	Feb. 16/16	7:30-9:00 pm
Part II: The Depression & World War II (1918-1947)	Mar. 15/16	7:30-9:00 pm
Part III: The Growing Years (1948-1972)	April 19/16	7:30-9:00 pm
Part IV-VI:	TBA	

2016 DEWINTON AGM - SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21

Sunday February 21, 2016

Immediately after worship at 9:45am, pot luck to follow

OKOTOKS MEN'S CHORUS

Men, do you like to sing? The Okotoks Men's Chorus has a place for you! We welcome all male voices. Details from Richard (403) 938 7998 or englishelm@gmail.com.

"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 at 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.

OKOTOKS UNITED CHURCH FIRESIDE BOOK CLUB

The OUC Book Club will be meeting on Monday, March 7th in the Fireside room. The book under discussion is the delightful and much loved **"Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society"** by Annie Barrows & Mary Ann Shaffer.

Following the discussion we will be selecting books for the following year and

Amy will have copies available of the April book:

"I Shall Not Hate: A Gazas Doctor's Journey" by Izzeldin Abuelaish.

All readers are welcome. Any questions: call Sharon at 403 995 4373

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.

2015 TAX RECEIPTS

2015 tax receipts are available for pick up from the literature table in the Foyer.

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, do not use 2015 offering envelopes after December 2015. If you don't have offering envelopes but would like them, or have them and no longer need them, please contact Denyse in the church office.