

Announcements

Sunday, September 10, 2017

This Week

Today:	Pride Event debrief @ noon
Monday:	DeWinton Board Meeting 2:00pm Lunch Program in the Kitchen at 9:00am
Tuesday:	Okotoks Ministry Board Meeting 6:00pm
Thursday:	Bible Study in the Chapel at 10:00am

Pride Event

Today, following the service, we will be meeting in the Conference Room upstairs to debrief our presence at the Pride Event on August 26th and to see where we can go from here. If anyone is interested in joining this group, please meet upstairs at 12:00 for some conversation.

Bible Study

Join us on Thursdays beginning September 14th from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. as we explore background to the bible and Jewish Festivals for the first part of the season and then move on to Luke-Acts in the new year. No biblical knowledge required. All are welcome.

Back to Church Sunday

Sunday, September 17 will be back to church Sunday. Please plan to join the church family and invite a friend. Following the service is the Ministry Festival.

Ministry Festival

Come to the festival! We're having a Ministry Festival after church on Sunday, September 17. Come and see what's happening at our church as we begin a new "church year". Lots of good news.

Okotoks United Church Lunch Program

The school lunch program is re-starting on Monday, September 11. @ 9:00am. If you want to get involved, please sign up on bulletin board in the foyer.

OUC Turkey Supper - Sunday October 1

Mark your calendar as our annual Turkey supper will be held on Sunday **October 1st, 2017**.

Tickets will be on sale after worship beginning Sunday September 10th and in the office during this week. The cost is \$15 for adults, \$12 for children 7 to 12 and free for children 6 and under.

In addition to a fabulous dinner, there are many opportunities to volunteer your time, talent and resources. The volunteer sign-up sheets are set up in the foyer, please drop by to see where you can get involved. If you have questions or want to volunteer in advance please contact Sally Salter (ssalter050@gmail.com or 403-995-3481) or Karen Jones (kjones8@telus.net).

Men's Group Breakfast

Our Men's Group Breakfast program will have our first gathering Saturday, September 23 at 9:00 a.m. next to the library in the church. All are welcome. Hope to see you there.

Animate Faith

Last winter many of us gathered for a dynamic seven-week course called Animate Faith. We had a engaging time exploring what it means to have faith.

This Fall you are invited to explore another in the Animate series called Animate Bible. The Bible is both challenging (sometimes downright intimidating) and elevating. It has inspired great works of literature and music and moved ordinary people to do extraordinary things.

But where do you get started? What if you don't understand some parts? What about the weird and upsetting passages?

Join a group of people with similar questions on Wednesday evenings from 7 - 8:30 starting Sept 20 and we will dive in. A short video followed by large and small group discussions will help answer many of your questions.

Register by emailing the church office at okunited@telus.net. A \$25 fee will provide you with an personal journal and help cover the costs of the videos.

Healing Pathway Ministry

The Healing Pathway Ministry will provide sessions of the first and third Monday of each month from 1 to 4pm. Please contact Gisela Dyck at 403 938-2506

Kids' Ministry

Kid's Ministry is happy to take your leftover or unused craft items. These are the items we are looking for: natural popsicle sticks, white glue, glue sticks, glitter glue, multi-coloured construction paper, tape, balloons, paper stickers.

Schedule for September:

Sep-10 Preparation for Ministry Festival

Sep-17 Ministry Fair-Commissioning KM-Intergenerational

Sep-22 Youth Group

Sep-24 Moses and the Basket

It's Time to Sing!

Come join choir for the season, just a few songs, or the year! We would love to have you come sing with us. Practices are held Thursday nights at 7:30 pm in the sanctuary at the church. All are welcome, no matter your musical ability. We love to just have fun!

Okotoks United Church History Books

Available in the Office for \$20

Upper Room

Upper Room Devotional books on the literature table for \$3 each

Concert: Paul Rumbolt & Friends

Where: Red Deer Lake United Church, 7 Km west of Macleod Trail on Hwy 22X

When: Saturday September 23, 2017.

Doors open at 6pm, concert starts at 7pm

Tickets: \$25.00 for adults, \$10.00 for youth

Visit Reddeerlakeuc.com for details or call 403-256-3181 Ext 5 for the ticket line.