

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.



**Sunday
September 18, 2016**

SUNDAY OFFERING COUNTERS NEEDED

If you would like to join the team, please contact Betty-Lou Bayley at blbayley67@gmail.com or (403) 938-9493 to sign up. If you want more information on this volunteer position she would be happy to share what is required.

IT TAKES A VILLAGE

Kid's Ministry is looking for you! **We are looking for volunteers to lead Sunday School during the fall.** But here is the fun part, the curriculum is up to you! Do you have a skill you would like to share, an organization you are a part of? Talents are meant to be shared, are you musical, artistic, do you have stories to share, activities to show off? We want to share the experiences and talents of our congregation with the children and youth of the church. You don't need any experience either, Candice will help you to design your lesson and make sure you have it all set-up for your Sunday. All you need to do is sign-up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer or contact Candice either at church on Sundays or via email at cncdsutton@gmail.com.

Please come join us upstairs this fall!

Sincerely, *Candice Sutton*

MISSING A JACKET??

There are several jackets that have been hanging in the coat racks in the Foyer for several months. We will be donating any of them that are still there at the end of September to the Jacket Racket program. Please take a minute to have a look to see if any of them belong to you or your kids! Thank you

OUC TURKEY SUPPER - SUNDAY OCTOBER 2

Our annual Turkey Supper will be held on **Sunday October 2, 2016.**

Tickets are on sale after worship each Sunday and will be available in the office as well until the supper date.

As in past years we will be asking for several volunteers and donations to make the supper a success.

Please check the table of sign up sheets that is located in the Foyer.

If you have any questions, please contact Sally Salter at (403) 995-3481 or ssalter050@gmail.com

OUC CHOIR

Do you like to sing? Do you like to have fun with a music?

Come join us starting Sept 8th at 7:30pm.

The choir will start with new music, lots of laughs and make great music.

We would love to have you. Please come join us for a little or a lot.

No need to read music.

Look forward to seeing you!

Pat

The Food For Fun Ministry Continues

There is such a thing as a free lunch! Please join us on:

TODAY September 18 - Welcome Back Cake

October 16 - Lunch hosted by the Worship Committee

We are asking for individual or group volunteers for November 20 & December 11.

A signup sheet is located on the church bulletin board in the Foyer.

Please contact Sharon Campbell at (403) 995-4503 if you have any questions.

EVERYONE WELCOME!

**MAY 2016 OUC RETREAT LADIES AND
ANY OTHER INTERESTED LADIES**

Come for Tea and Scones from 2:00-4:00pm on September 25th at the church. We will get caught up how everyone is doing and how their summer was. We will also have a discussion about the next Ladies Retreat. If you didn't make it to the last retreat or just want to find out more about it, ladies you are most welcome. Come and join us, make new friends and meet all the great ladies of the church.

Please RSVP by September 21st by calling Linda at 403-862-3609.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Are you looking for a fun, dynamic, engaging way to study the Bible? If you answered YES, then Thursday morning Bible Study is for you. We meet from **10:00 – 11:30 every Thursday morning** in the Chapel beginning on **September 22nd**. This fall we will be studying the epistles (letters) of Paul. If you are interested please speak to Julia for more information or bring your bible and just come. **Everyone welcome.**

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday the 5th of November is the day when the Governing Board and the Ministerial Board celebrates you, the congregation of the Okotoks United Church for your hard work and your sustaining spirit. **At 5:30pm** it will be time to take our "Hats Off" to all who during the past year have created and maintained no less than 40 Ministries in our Church.

There will be pre-dinner activity and non-alcohol drinks, a free dinner in the Sanctuary Dining Room, entertainment and a guest speaker.

Invitations will be available the beginning of October. Look for yours in the box at the entrance to the Sanctuary. Entertainment is a Congregational Variety Concert, the Guest Speaker is Dr. Rev. John Pentland from Hillhurst United in Calgary. Children's activities and child care will be available throughout the evening. Hope to see you all there!

OUC MEN'S BREAKFAST

The first OUC Men's Breakfast will be held on **Saturday September 24 @ 9:00am** at the church. There will be a light breakfast and program.

All are welcome, hope to see you there!

OCTOBER FOOD MONTH

October is the month when we celebrate the good things God has provided for us. We begin the month with **World Communion Sunday**, then **Thanksgiving**, and the following Sunday **World Food Sunday** when the Worship Committee will provide lunch. During these three Sundays we will be gathering items for the Food Bank in advance of the Christmas rush. If you would like to donate to the Food Bank, please bring your items the first three Sundays of October and we will deliver them. Items greatly appreciated at this time of the year are items for kid's lunches, canned goods, cereals, cleaning items, diapers, toiletries, toilet paper. You can find a list of other items needed at okotoksfoodbank.ca.

REMIT DISCUSSION

The United Church of Canada is in a significant period of transition as we look at the structures and processes of the denomination. Several remits have been forwarded from the 2015 General Council Meeting that Julia attended and congregations are being asked to vote on these remits which include among other things changing the court structure of the church and changing the funding model of the denomination. If you would like to learn more about the remits and give feedback to the Boards who will be voting on your behalf, please join Julia **on Saturday, Oct. 15th from 10 - noon in the Conference Room.** Information about the

THANKSGIVING - BREAD OF LIFE

Our theme for Thanksgiving this year is **Bread of Life**. We would love to have people bring fresh homemade bread or homemade jam on **October 9** for the service. If you can bring a fresh loaf of bread or a jar of homemade jam on that day, **please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer.**

HEARING ASSIST UNITS

If you are finding it hard to hear the program during worship on Sunday's you may want to try one of the Hearing Assist unites that we have available in the sound booth. Please see Keith at the sound booth before worship begins and he would be happy to set you up!