

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!

Upcoming meetings: Tues. April 25, 2017

All meetings begin at 10:00am in the Pioneer Chapel.

This is an open committee and all are welcome to attend.

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!)

Please contact Candice at cndcsutton@gmail.com

URGENT - BILLET NEEDED

For one instructor from the Healing Ministries workshop on Fri June 28 & Sat 29. This would include dinner on June 29 and breakfast Sat 29 & Sun 30. Please contact Gisela at (403) 938-2506 for more info or if you are able to help out.

Thank you

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

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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

Apr 23 Story Stones Apr 28 Youth Group

OKOTOKS MENS CHORUS

Sat May 22 @ 7:00pm at OUC

Special Guests:

Bev Fess & Friends Accordion Orchestra The Tuba Two

Tickets \$20.00 Children 12 & under free Tickets are available at Sobeys or at the door.2

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.**

SUNDAY COFFEE HELPERS

Helpers are needed on the next several weeks to prepare refreshments before and after worship. Please see the signup sheet on the OUC bulletin board if you can lend a hand.

KIDS SUMMER CAMPS

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



Thank you so much to our United Church Serving
Team: Donna L., Mary & Norm W., Ellen K.,
Christine M., Barbara E., Jacquie V., 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 Wednesday April 26, 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

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.