

WE CAN CONNECT



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Coming Up...New Sermon Series on Abundance

Julia will be starting a new sermon series this Sunday, continuing until Lent. The theme will be **Abundance**. What does abundance look like? How do we live abundantly? What is the source of abundance?



Join the Community on Sunday mornings to explore this engaging subject.



Please Pray For:

- Carstairs-Bancroft United Church
- Donna Smith-Bronson who is recovering from a fall from her horse



GREETINGS FROM ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

Written by P. Marie Wedderburn



Welcome to 2021! How will we welcome this new calendar year? At the Sunday Zoom gathering Julia reminded us that we should celebrate each day we are given with love and care for one another. For how else can we live each day in the light of Christ that this Season of Epiphany celebrates?

Instead of a drive-by on Sunday, at our Zoom gathering we sang "Happy Birthday" to that day's birthday celebrant in what has become known as a "holy cacophony." In this way and many others we remember, we pray, we see one another virtually, and for these and many other reasons, we give thanks.

And now a friendly reminder: as the time for our annual meeting comes, those who want to have something in the annual report please send your write-ups to Brent as soon as possible.

Attention All Ministry/Committee Leaders Annual Report Information Needed

We are in the process of compiling the OUC 2020 Annual Report. In addition to the number of people served and any impact statements you might have, we are looking for information about how your ministry/committee or group responded to the pandemic. This year's report will be organized by dates so we are hoping that you can be specific about when events occurred. Please submit your content to Joanne Dzurka in the body of an email, dzurkaj@xplornet.ca by January 18, 2020.

Thank you!



Books, Board Games and Puzzle Exchange

Do you have books, games or puzzles that you'd like to swap out with different ones? If so we will be happy to help you out. Gather your used books, board games and puzzles, clean them up and drop them off in the assigned bins in our foyer, Monday - Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. We'll sort through them and then put them out on tables in the foyer so you can come in and pick them up.



Donations

If you would like offering envelopes, to sign up for PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance) or donate by e-transfer please get in touch with Diane by email, okunited@telus.net or call 403-938-4357.

Thank you all so much for supporting your Community of Faith!

Okotoks United Church Office - We're here for you!

The office continues to remain open at this time Monday to Friday 9:00 - 2:00. Please contact Diane at okunited@telus.net or 403-938-4357 for church related news.

Please contact **Julia** at okjulia@telus.net or 403-702-2249 (cell) at any time.

Congregational Care Team invites you to reach out for confidential spiritual and compassionate care by email at: okcongregationalcare@telus.net

Please refer to our website www.okunited.ca for updated information and links to the newsletter.

