

KID'S & YOUTH MINISTRY

May 15 Pentecost Sunday, Youth Forum, Church bday party
Corinne, Melanie
May 22 Curriculum - Carol



SUNDAY MAY 15, 2016

HEALING PATHWAY MINISTRY HOURS

The Healing Ministry will provide sessions on the
first and third Monday of each month from 1-4pm.
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TRAGEDY IN FORT MCMURRAY

Dear Friends in Christ;

As more information comes through on the situation in Fort McMurray we continue to pray for those affected by the devastating wildfire. Our hearts go out to all who have lost their homes and possessions, some of whom we may know. We continue to contribute to the recovery in any way we can. Many of us have contributed through the Canadian Red Cross, where funds have been matched by Government. Here in our Pastoral Charge we will be collecting funds that will be going directly to **First United Church** in Fort McMurray to help with recovery efforts on the ground. This will allow the United Church to have a very real presence in the community as people return to the city. We believe that the work of the church will be ongoing and we want to be a part of that work just as we received support from the church through the flood in 2013. If you wish to donate to this fund, please write a cheque or give your money to Okotoks United Church indicating that it is for Fort McMurray. This donation will be added to your offering and you will receive a tax receipt at the end of the year. Thanks for all of your efforts. Together we can make a difference as the body of Christ.

SUNDAY COFFEE HELPERS

We are looking for volunteers to help with coffee on each of the following Sunday's:

May 29

This will include preparing the coffee, serving and clean up.

If you are able to help, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Foyer.

Please note there will be no coffee prior to service on these dates.

Thank you

CANYON CHURCH CAMP

One of the greatest experiences of Christian community and opportunities for growth in faith come from Christian camping adventures. Brochures for **Canyon Church Camp 2016** are now out. There are 6 camps for children and youth ranging in age from 6-18. Costs for camps are reasonable and a great opportunity for kids make some friends and explore the beautiful country of Waterton Lakes National Park. See the bulletin board for further details.

MEN'S GROUP MEETING

The response to having a men's group at our church has been very positive so we're having a relatively brief organizational meeting **right after the church service TODAY May 15 in the Chapel.**

All are welcome.

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 IV 1972 - 1989	Tues. May 24, 2016	7:00-9:00pm
Part V 1990 - 2000	Tues. June 21, 2016	7:00-9:00pm

WEEDING & WATERING

It's that time of year again when everything is growing, including the weeds and lawn! We require volunteers to look after weeding and watering these areas. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the Foyer, you can pick a week during the posted time period to drop by and do some weeding and watering of the lawn and garden areas. If you are available to help with lawn cutting, please contact Gerhard directly at (403) 938-2506.

Thanks you in advance for helping to keep our outside space looking great!

"PASTORAL CARE...COMPASSIONAETLY CARING FOR AND SUPPORTING EACH OTHER"

My name is Julie Leggett and I have been recently hired as the Pastoral Care Leader for Okotoks United Church. I am truly looking forward to helping grow this most important ministry in our church.

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED YOU ASK?

TWO SIMPLE WAYS:

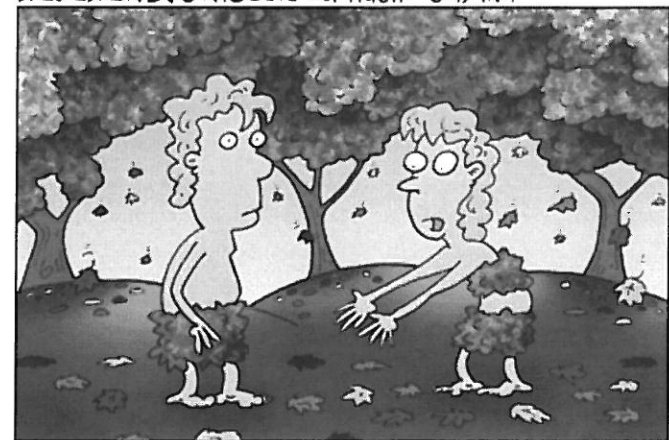
1. **'Strength in Prayer'** Join a prayer chain/group! Prayer requests are emailed to those of you on our "list" to include with your prayers.
2. **'Food for the Soul'** Join an email list of people who would be willing to do a bit of baking or cooking on short notice when the need arises. An email request will be sent out to our list of participants and you reply if you are able to help out with a particular request.

Please sign up for the above groups on the bulletin board in the Foyer. Contact Julie Leggett at (403) 827-5131 if you have any questions or with any pastoral care questions/concerns you may have or be aware of.

EXTRA CRAFT ITEMS

There are donated craft items left over after the Ladies Retreat. If you donated and would like items back, please contact Linda Wilson at (403) 862-3609.

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WILL YOU PLEASE PICK UP ALL YOUR CLOTHES?