KIDS MINISTRY

Nov 8 - Youth lead service, Gary Dzurka Mission Possible Pageant Practice

Nov 15 - Dean Salter presents Michael Moose with Corrine & Candice

Pageant Practice

YOUTH GROUP

Open to all youth ages 12 - 18

Nov 13 @ 7pm - Ken & Melanie Toews - TBA

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

Do you have a desire to know more about the bible? Enjoy good company? Have fun? Join us for our **Thursday morning** Bible Study from **10:00 – 11:30 a.m.** No knowledge of the bible is necessary, just a desire to learn and grow. We will begin with an overview of the bible for the first sessions. No need to sign up – just show up. Everyone is welcome. Come and bring your friends.

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SUNDAY November 8, 2015

WHAT'S HAPPENING??

Please be sure to check both the OUC Church News Board and the Community News Board in the Foyer for all the exciting upcoming events!

OUC CHRISTMAS MARKET

Fri. Nov 27 from 3 - 7pm and Sat. Nov 28 from 9 am - 2 pm. "Treasures" Tables, Baking, Crafts & Much More!

The "Treasures Tables" are a great place to purchase new (or very gently used items) or crafts for Christmas. It is also a great place to purchase stocking stuffers and that perfect "little" item, or a bigger item with a little price tag. If you have items to donate, or wish more information, contact Mary Willis at 403-995-1055. There is a donation box in the foyer of the Church for items.

Volunteers are needed to help with the Market, signup sheets are located on the bulletin board in the Foyer.

The OUC Harmony Group Baking & Craft Tables

We have primarily sold cookies in the past, but this year are looking for any kind of holiday-type of baking, cookies included. We encourage you to "fancy" your baking up, perhaps putting it on a Christmas paper plate, with a bow on top but, if you wish to just drop it off, we can do this for you. Baking and crafts can be dropped off at the church, Friday Nov. 27 after 9:00am.

Please label your items and include whether they contain nuts or not.

Volunteers are needed to help with the Harmony Group tables, signup sheets are located on the bulletin board in the Foyer.

JACKET RACKET

The Annual Jacket Racket program will run here at OUC on the following dates:

Monday Nov. 9 6:00-8:30 pm Thursday 12 2:00-4:30 pm

A donation box is located in the Foyer.

DEWINTON COUNTRY CHRISTMAS

Sunday December 6 @ 7:00 pm Tickets \$15.00

Available from the OUC office or any DeWinton member Limited seating so get your tickets early!

MISSION POSSIBLE 2nd ANNUAL MUSICAL COMEDY AND SILENT AUCTION WITH THE WINDMILL THEATRE PLAYERS

To support our on-going partnership with our charities in the Dominican Republic we will be hosting the WTP production of "Anything Goes" on November 11th, 2015.

Tickets are available each Sunday at the Mission Possible Table or during the week by visiting Denyse at the Church Office. Tickets are \$10.00 for an individual and \$25.00 for a family.

Doors will open at 6:00 pm and the concert will begin at 7:00 pm

There will be silent auction items that you can bid on, coffee and treats during intermission and a general great time had by all!

If you are able to donate an item for the silent action please contact Bev Carlson at bevcarlson@nucleus.com or text/call her at 403 815 9957.

HEALING MINISTRY HOURS

The Healing Ministry will provide treatments upon special request only. The available hours are the **first and third Monday of each month from 1-4pm**. Please contact Gisela Dyck at (403) 938 - 2506.

2016 UNITED CHURCH CALENDARS FOR SALE

This year's calendars will be available for purchase each Sunday at our Mission Possible Table as well as through Denyse at the Church Office. Calendars are \$10.00 each and all the proceeds will go to our projects in the Dominican Republic.

Copies are limited so get yours soon!

WEEKLY MEDITATION GATHERING AT OUC

Every Wednesday morning at 10:00am in the OUC Upper Fireside Room.

Please see the poster on the bulletin board in the Foyer for Special Guest appearances that are lined up (cost by donation).

Regular weekly meditation is free of charge, everyone welcome!

INN FROM THE COLD NOV 19

The next Inn will be held Thursday November 19. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Foyer if you are able to help. We encourage anyone who hasn't had a chance to experience helping with this ministry to sign up. It is a great way to meet members of the congregation while helping those in need. Please contact Bev Carlson at bevcarlson@nucleus.com if you have any questions.

UNITED CHURCH 100th ANNIVERSARY

On June 24, 2017 Okotoks United Church will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. The Joint board would like to invite anyone who has an interest in helping to prepare for this occasion to join the "Centennial Committee". The Centennial Committee will be responsible for preparing a written history of the church and all activities and projects leading up to the anniversary. There will be a variety of opportunities to contribute to the work of this committee from story telling to helping to plan the celebration and more.

If you are interested please contact Joanne Dzurka at dzurkaj@xplornet.ca or 403-938-3945.

COME TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC - Easter Break 2016

We still have a few spots open for you to join the next mission possible trip to the DR. This is a great opportunity for families with youth as we will be travelling over Easter Break and very little school will be missed. (March 24th through April 3rd). We currently have 11 confirmed travelers, 6 youth and 5 adults making the journey. If you would like more information about our charities, travel dates and costs – please contact Gary Dzurka @ gdzurka@xplomet.ca or (403) 992-3334

UCC SYRIAN REFUGEE APPEAL

We will be forwarding all donation cheques to the UCC office as of November 30, 2015.

If you want to contribute to this appeal, please make your cheque payable to the United Church of Canada and drop it off at the Church office before that date.

NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED NOVEMBER 29, 2015

We will be receiving **New Members** on the first day of Advent, November 29th. Julia will be facilitating a New Members Class on **Saturday November 14th from 9:30-3:30**. If you are thinking about joining the church or just want to learn more about the United Church and Okotoks United, consider joining the class. There is no commitment to join if you take the class. If you would like to transfer your membership from another congregation, please speak to Denyse in the office and she will arrange for the transfer. To join the class, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.

VETRANS POPPY CAMPAIGN

There is a poppy box located on the literature table in the Foyer. Purchase of poppies is by donation, please place your money in the donation box.

BILLETS NEEDED

The Healing Ministry is looking for 2 billets for the upcoming workshop November 13 - 15, 2015.

For further information please contact:

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