



Riverbend United Church Announcements

November 8th to November 17th, 2019



Friday, November 8 th	8:30 am 10:00 am 4:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom) WeCan Food Basket (Library) WeCan Food Basket (Library) Edmonton Chinese Dance Academy (Lower level hall) Ghana Methodist Church (Chapel)
Saturday, November 9 th	8:30 am 9:00 am	Little Kickers Soccer (Lower level hall) Private booking (Kitchen)
Sunday, November 10th	10:30 am 12:30 pm	Worship Service (Sanctuary) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary)
Remembrance Day, Monday November 11th	6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Office closed Handbell Choir Ministry & Personnel meeting
Tuesday, November 12 th	8:30 am 1:30 pm 4:30 pm 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom) Reflective Crafting (Chapel) Elite Kids Dance (Lower level hall) Official Board meeting (Boardroom)
Wednesday, November 13 th	8:30 am 9:00 am 4:00 pm 4:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom) Wednesday Walkers (Gathering Area) MacGregor Tutoring Services (Meeting Room) Elite Kids Dance (Lower level hall) Pathfinders (Boardroom) Fall Book Study (Chapel)
Thursday, November 14 th	8:30 am 1:30 pm 4:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom) Restorative Yoga (Lower level hall) MacGregor Tutoring Services (Meeting Room) Funeral reception set-up (Lower level hall) Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Friday, November 15 th	8:30 am 11:00 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom) Memorial service for Peter Markowski (Sanctuary) Edmonton Chinese Dance Academy (Lower level hall) Ghana Methodist Church (Chapel)
Saturday, November 16 th	8:30 am 12:30 pm 1:00 pm	Little Kickers Soccer (Lower level hall) Riverbend Art Group (Lower level hall) MacGregor Tutoring (Meeting room)
Sunday, November 17th	10:30 am 12:30 pm	Worship Service (Sanctuary) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary)

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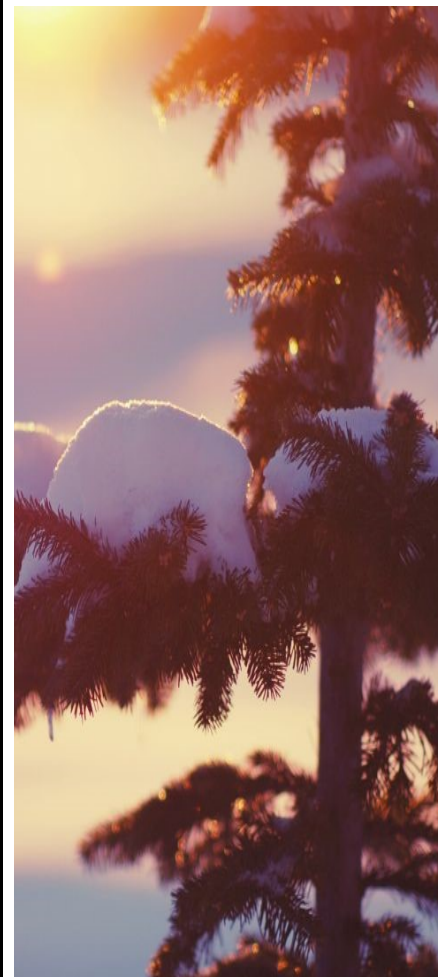
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Upper Room Disciplines 2020 We are now taking orders for the 2020 Disciplines. This best-selling devotional guide offers daily, lectionary-based scripture readings and reflections. Each week of devotions focuses on a particular theme and engages readers with the lectionary texts for the upcoming Sunday. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex by November 30th. Your payment of \$20.00 will be due when the books arrive in mid-December.

Christmas is Coming Now you can buy gift cards for more stores to help raise money for Riverbend United Church! You can continue to buy Safeway gift cards on Sundays, and can now also pre-order other gift cards. Orders will be collected the first Sunday of the month and available for pick up the following Sunday. A percentage of the value of the gift cards will be donated back to the church. Cards include: Superstore, Home Depot, Canadian Tire, Amazon.ca, Moxie's, Esso, Shell, Petro Canada and others. For more information, or to place an order please see Doug Michalko in the Narthex on Sunday mornings before or after church or email him at ruc.giftcards@gmail.com.

Property & Maintenance / Facilities recruitment Geoff Halferdahl, the Chair of the Facilities Group, previously known as Property & Maintenance is looking for help maintaining the Church facility. *“Over the past 6 months, the Facility Group has dealt with a number of items including resolving a black mold problem in the basement kitchen, cleaning, painting and outfitting a re-vitalized Youth Room (now at the bottom of the stairs on your left), landscaping at the back of the church to further prevent springtime flooding, and significant support to the E2 Academy and River City Playschool basement renovations. Some long-time Facility Group ‘stalwarts’ have passed on their torches, after completing long and distinguished commitments. For all the ‘behind the scenes’ things they have done faithfully, some for many years, a sincere **Thank You**. So I’m asking you to consider volunteering with the Facility Group. Did you know we have 10 furnaces, 8 air conditioning units, 6 bathrooms, 5 electrical breaker boxes, some on timers, 2 kitchens with numerous appliances, including a sanitizer for dishes and cutlery needed for our Commercial Kitchen Permit? This is a big facility to maintain, and it is heavily booked throughout the week and on weekends with both internal and external groups all of whom depend on a properly maintained facility. A recent example: About 3 weeks ago, Valerie reported that the Chapel was cold on a Thursday morning as she prepared*

for the Grief Support group. She moved the meeting to the Family Room which was warm. I confirmed that it was cold and there was barely any air flow from the registers in the Chapel. I called the furnace technician and he quickly confirmed my suspicion that the furnace blower motor needed to be replaced at \$1100 plus labour. However, the new blower is not the whole picture. How many of you have sat in the Chapel and been cold? The sign on the door to the Chapel suggests that the Chapel is generally cold; people have accepted this. I wondered about this and soon realized that the heating registers in all the rooms on the Chapel furnace duct-line needed to be closed down some more warm air would reach the Chapel at the end of the line. With the new blower pushing heat into the Chapel, Valerie was ecstatic; the Grief Support members did not have to wear their jackets as they met in the Chapel, nor did the Book Study Members on Wednesday nights. This is just one example of the kinds of things the Facility Group gets involved with. There are lots of other things that require some investigation and often ‘simple’ things can be done to solve problems easily. So, if you have some time and experience either ‘thinking about’ or ‘doing’ maintenance-type things, and there is a very wide range of things around here, please speak to Geoff Halferdahl or David Galbraith. We can use your time, knowledge and energy. And if you are not warm in the Chapel, or something does not seem to operate quite right around here, please tell Geoff, David or Jackie and we’ll look into it. Thank you. Geoff”

Our broader community

Sherwood Park “United In The Park” Marketplace on Friday, **November 15th** from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, **November 16th** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Sherwood Park United Church (20 Fir Street, Sherwood Park). Browse a selection of handmade crafts, baked goods, and retail items from local artisans and stop by the concession for a holiday treat!

Annual Cookie Walk on Saturday, **November 16th** at Stony Plain United Church (5012 - 51 Avenue, Stony Plain) at 10:00 a.m. There will be lots of cookies, a bake table, and a chance to relax and enjoy coffee and a muffin.

Christmas Market at Strathearn United Church (8510 95 Avenue, Edmonton) on Saturday, **November 16**, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. featuring a bake sale, vendor tables, Christmas tables, books and a hot lunch.