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Calendar of activities		
Friday, April 22	10:00 a.m.	WECAN Food Basket (Kitchen & Narthex)
Saturday, April 23	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Wellness Junkies (Hall) Elite Dance Kids (Hall) Ghana Methodist (Sanctuary) Ensemble rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Sunday April 24	10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	RUC Worship service (Sanctuary) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary)
Monday April 25		
Tuesday April 26	11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Transitions group (Family room) Elizabeth (Liz) Woolnough Memorial service (Sanctuary) Elite Kids Dance (Hall) Elite Kids Dance (Hall)
Wednesday April 27	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Wednesday Walkers (Gathering area) E2 Academy (Hall) Private rental (Sanctuary) Elite Kids Dance (Hall)
Thursday April 28	1:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	E2 Academy (Hall) Country Gardens Condo (Hall) Wellness Junkies (parking lot) Choir rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Friday April 29		
Saturday April 30	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 noon 7:00 p.m.	Wellness Junkies (Hall) Elite Dance (Hall) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) RUC Youth Group (Hall)
Sunday May 1	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.	RUC Worship (Sanctuary) RUC AGM (Sanctuary) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary)

Announcements

Solar Panel update We are very grateful to have raised over \$20,000 of the \$40,000 needed for the solar panels for our "living in respect in creation" project. Your ongoing donations of any amount are most welcome. The vendor received the solar panels and equipment early, and installation started this past week. If you are donating by cheque please indicate "Solar panels" in the memo line, for e-transfers please put "Solar panels" in the comments section. For details about the supplier and why we sole-sourced them please check out the YouTube video on the RUC website.

Annual General Meeting The next AGM for Riverbend United Church is scheduled for **Sunday, May 1st** immediately following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. At that meeting the 2021 Annual Report & Financial Statements and the 2022 Budget will be presented.

Ukraine Emergency Fund Donations To donate to the Ukraine Emergency Response Fund of the United Church of Canada, go to the "Social Action" page on the United Church of Canada website and click on the "Donate Now" button. You can also send a cheque or e-transfer (contactus@riverbendunited.org) to Riverbend United Church marked "Ukraine" and we will send it on. Please continue to keep the people of Ukraine and Russia in your prayers.

Outreach Committee A baby playpen has been placed in the Narthex to accept your donations of new items for mothers and babies for our Mother's Day outreach program. Planning has also begun for the Father's Day Luncheon at the Bissell Centre for 250 to 350 inner city residents. Our contributions are limited to financial donations as we purchase what E4C requests. Donations can be made by cheque, cash or e-transfer to contactus@riverbendunited.org. For additional information please contact the office to leave a message for Judi Cook or Erin James. Thank you!!

Volunteers needed for the count room We are looking for volunteers to help with the weekly counting of the offering following Sunday service once or twice a month. We also need a Count Room Coordinator (who could be one of the counters) to schedule the counters and manage paperwork. In addition, we are looking for a new Giving Steward, who is responsible for entering all donations in the ICON software and issuing tax receipts. For more information, please contact Kristen Michalko at GivingStew-ard@riverbendunited.org

Al-Anon Are you troubled by someone's drinking/addiction? Consider joining a new Al-Anon group in south-west Edmonton - we can help.

• What: We are Strength In Unity Al-Anon Family Group

• Where: Boardroom, Riverbend United Church

When: Sunday afternoons at 3:00 p.m. starting May 15, 2022

Why: Because to help them you have to help yourself

Save the date!! for the **August 27th** Garage sale. Donations accepted as of August 21st. Volunteers needed, please call the Church office at 780.430.7275.