

Riverbend United Church

Exploring Faith, Engaging Community

April 26 to May 5, 2024



Friday April 26	8:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	E2 Academy (PD day, no students) Paddy Webb Memorial Service (Sanctuary)
Saturday April 27	10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	RUC Men's Walking Group (Chapel) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) RUC Youth Biblical cake making (Lower hall)
Sunday April 28	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	RUC Care Team meeting (Chapel) RUC Worship Service (Sanctuary) Garage Sale set-up (Lower level hall) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) Al-Anon Family Group (Boardroom)
Monday April 29	8:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting room) Handbell Choir rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Tuesday April 30	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting room) Transitions Group (Gathering area) Reflective Crafting (Chapel)
Wednesday May 1	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m.	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting room) Wednesday Walkers (Chapel) Private rental (Sanctuary)
Thursday May 2	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting room) RUC Garage Sale RUC Staff Meeting (Chapel) RUC Choir rehearsal
Friday May 3	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting room) RUC Garage Sale
Saturday May 4	10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 10:00 a.m.	RUC Garage Sale RUC Men's Group (Boardroom)
Sunday May 5	10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	RUC Worship Service (Sanctuary) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) Al-Anon Family Group (Boardroom)

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Save the date(s)

RUC Garage Sale
May 2 to 4, 2024
Donations accepted
beginning April 28,
volunteers needed

RUC picnic
Sunday, June 9th
following worship

Riverbend United Church ~ News & events

NEW 2024 Church Directory We are creating a brand new Church Directory and you **MUST** submit your contact information to be included and to receive a copy. We are not “importing” names from previous directories, so if you want to be included you need to complete this [online form](#) or fill in a card in the Narthex. We have noticed that many regular Church attendees and members have NOT submitted their information yet, please remember to do so as soon as possible.

Outreach Committee With Mothers Day fast approaching on **May 12**, the Outreach Committee is collecting items for mothers and young children in need. Items for mothers include toiletries, feminine products, socks etc. Young children and baby items needed include diapers, formula, baby wipes, diaper cream, new sleepers, clothes, toys, etc. We will be collecting until **May 12th**. Please drop your donations in the playpen in the narthex.

Sunday Morning Study *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life* by Richard Rohr. Begins Sunday, **May 12** at 9:30 a.m., running for 5 or 6 weeks. Held in the Chapel, and led by Valerie Oden and Jill Spaner. If you want the church to order you a book (\$32), please sign up in the Narthex or call the office at 780.430.7275. Revised and updated version (November 2023), hardback or e-book available.

Landscape painting The Men’s group of Riverbend United Church is offering a watercolour painting course in June open to all. The 10-hour class will run Saturday mornings from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on June 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th in the Church Boardroom. The cost is \$50.00, all material will be provided, no tax receipts will be issued. The maximum number of participants is limited to 12. Please call or email the office to sign up and make your payment. Any questions? Contact David James at 587.488.0657. Closing date for registrations is May 29th.

Annual Garage Sale We are preparing for our Annual Garage sale which will be held from Thursday, May 2nd to Saturday, May 4th. Donations may be dropped off beginning Sunday **April 28**, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.; however, if you are in Church for worship that Sunday morning you can bring your items then. Donations will also be accepted:

- Monday April 29 to Wednesday May 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and
- Thursday May 2 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

We accept most household items including clothing, small tables/chairs. However, we do **NOT ACCEPT** large furniture, jars, any baby furniture or baby seats, strollers, VHS or cassette tapes, encyclopedias, old sporting or ski equipment, helmets.

Sale dates are:

- Thursday, May 2 4:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- Friday, May 3 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Saturday, May 4 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Spring Soirée and Variety Show fundraiser at Mill Woods United Church (15 Grand Meadow Crescent, Edmonton) on Saturday, **April 27** at 7:00 p.m. Join them for a fun evening of music, entertainment, appetizers, desserts, wine, beer, soft drinks, coffee and tea. They’ll also be holding a silent auction of beautifully themed baskets during the evening. Get together with a group of friends and join them in community and friendship!

Spring Praise Concert at St. Andrew’s United Church in Spruce Grove on Saturday, **May 4th** (1A Fieldstone Drive, Spruce Grove) at 3:30 and 7:00 p.m. The Parkland Bells Choir includes 12 ringers from various faith communities. The concert theme is 'Peace' and the music will be presented through English handbells together with a variety of vocal and instrumental arrangements shared by special musical guests. Seating is limited and tickets are free through the Church Office at 780.962.0488. A freewill offering will be received that provides funding for new music, instrument maintenance and ringer education.