Riverbend United Church

Exploring Faith, Engaging Community

October 25 to November 3, 2024

Friday October 25	1:00 p.m.	**Grace Rumbold Memorial Service & luncheon (Sanctuary & lower hall)**
Saturday October 26	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	Private rental (Kitchen) **Men's Walking Group (Chapel)** Private rental (Lower level hall & kitchen)
Sunday October 27	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	**RUC Worship (Sanctuary)** **RUC Children's Choir (Music Room)** Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) Al-Anon Family Group (Boardroom)
Monday October 28	6:30 p.m.	**Handbell Choir rehearsal (Sanctuary)**
Tuesday October 29	11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	**Transitions Group (Chapel)** **Reflective Crafting (Gathering area)** Elite Dance (Lower Hall) **RUC Book Club (Chapel)**
Wednesday October 30	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	**Wednesday Walkers (Chapel)** **Restorative Yoga (Lower hall)** Private Rental (Sanctuary) Elite Dance (Lower Hall)
Thursday October 31	7:30 p.m.	**RUC Choir rehearsal (Sanctuary)**
Friday November 1	1:30 p.m.	Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Saturday November 2	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	Private rental (Kitchen) **Men's Walking Group (Chapel)** **Marvelous Music Concert (Sanctuary)**
Sunday November 3	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	**RUC Worship & Communion (Sanctuary)** **RUC Children's Choir (Music Room)** Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) Al-Anon Family Group (Boardroom) Private rental (Sanctuary)

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Have questions about the church? Look for people with the red "Ask Me" stickers on their Name tags.

Save the date

Marvelous Music Concert
November 2nd at 7:30 p.m.

Riverbend United Church ~ News & events

Men's Walking Group The men's group will meet again on Saturday, **October 26th**. We will chat for a bit and then have an optional walk. If you are interested in joining the men's group, please contact the office.

Marvelous Music Please join us on Saturday, **November 2nd** at 7:30 p.m. for another evening of Marvelous Music featuring musicians from RUC, including a 6-piece string group. This year we are featuring peace songs as well as other favorite songs from the 60's and 70's. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated and proceeds will go to the church mortgage fund.

Worship service help requested Would you be interested in serving communion? Questions? Please speak to Peggy Robinson or contact the church office at 780.430.7275.

Grocery gift cards Riverbend United Church is once again selling Sobeys/Safeway grocery cards. Grocery card sales will be available before and after service in the narthex every weekend in October. We have $50, $100 and $500 denominations available. Payment via cheque or e-transfer.

RUC Church Directory In July 2024, we printed a Church Directory that included contact information of all Church members who wished to be included in it. The Directory was only distributed to people who submitted their information. If you have recently joined the Church, or would now like to have your information included please let the office know. We will add your information to an Addendum for the Directory and distribute it in December. Thank you.

Harvest Feast 2024 Stony Plain United Church presents it's annual Fall Feast on Friday, **October 25** at 5:00 p.m. Roast beef, all the trimmings and dessert including pies are offered. Dinner tickets are $25.00 for adults, children 6 to 11 $10.00, children 5 and under are free. Dinner tickets are limited and may be purchased in advance by contacting the Church office at 780.963.4745 or by email at stonyuc@telus.net.

Rumbold Vocal Prize Recital On Friday, **November 8th** Edmonton Opera will be hosting the 3rd annual Rumbold Vocal Prize Recital for emerging Canadian opera singers at 7:00 p.m. at the Myer Horowitz Theatre, University of Alberta. The Rumbold Vocal Prize was endowed by Grace and Arnold Rumbold of Riverbend United Church and provides experience, exposure and over $30,000 in prizes to four outstanding Canadian classical vocalists. Four finalists from across Canada and a University of Alberta vocal student have been chosen to participate in this year's week-long development experience, featuring internationally renowned Canadian soprano Wendy Nielsen. Free tickets for the Recital are available online at https://www.edmontonopera.com/rumbold-vocal-prize.

RUC Daily Reflections for Advent Do you enjoy reading daily reflections/devotionals? Have you ever wished you could contribute a reflection? Do you have something to say about the season of Advent? Well, now is your chance! The Spiritual Formation Committee hopes to produce a booklet of daily reflections for Advent, written by members of this faith community. Advent is a time of anticipation and expectation, as we await the birth of Jesus, when we focus on hope, peace, joy, and love, threads that run through the ministry of Jesus. The reflection can be as long, or short, as you wish. It would be wonderful if you could include a scripture, and/or a prayer, and/or questions for us to ponder, but it is not essential. Let any member of the Spiritual Formation Committee know if you intend to submit a reflection. Submissions should be emailed to spiritualprojects24@gmail.com by **November 12th.** Questions? speak to Carolyn Miller, Valerie, or any member of the committee.

Kirk Centre Community Dinner Join Kirk United Centre (13535—122 Avenue NW, Edmonton) on Thursday, **November 7th** at 5:30 p.m. for a FREE Community dinner. Come and share a meal with friendly faces, we promise an evening of joy, connection and delicious food. Admission is free but registration is required. Call 780.438.6619, email kirkuccentre@gmail.com or register online at https://www.kirkcentre.ca/upcoming-events.