



Sunday, May 11, 2025

Join us for worship at Riverbend United Church at 10:30 a.m. on May 11th or [click here](#) for our live-streamed service on You Tube.

May 9, 2025

Message from Rev. Valerie

Dear friends:

This is a newsy update. Please read to the bottom for important news that affects us all.

This Sunday, we'll hear from **Dr. Ayanna Roche in a Faces of Faith** dialogue with me. Ayanna will share how her faith helps her balance being a partner, a mom, and a physician (and, perhaps, a steel drum band member?). Psalm 23 is our focus scripture. ("The Lord is my shepherd...")

We'll also **celebrate our grads** this Sunday: Ayla Seigny (from University), Nathan and Annika Schoenhardt (from high school), and Cale Neden (from high school-- Cale is Mary Neden's *great* grandson.)

The church **Garage Sale** is in full swing this weekend-- Friday's hours are 2-8, and Saturday 10-1, in case you want to seek treasures. Thank you to all who sorted and priced all week, and to everyone who is helping through the sale and for clean-up Saturday at 1. We are all blessed to be part of such a vital and healthy congregation, where so many step in and step up. Our special thanks to Co-Coordinators Holly Ruryk and Janet Pattison!

We have another **major opportunity to step in and help coming right up. Our church is hosting the Northern Spirit Regional Meeting May 29-June 1** for UC representatives from across and beyond the province. Creating a smooth, hospitable space for the meeting will require the help of so very many of us. If you're able and inclined, please sign up on Sunday. There are a variety of tasks with more and less movement required. Thank you to Diane Trenn, Jill Spaner, and Jackie Hunt for coordinating this project. Questions may be addressed to any of them.

Please note: On Sunday, June 1, worship begins at 10:00 am. The service will be led by the Northern Spirit Region as part of the region's Annual Meeting held at RUC. The service is expected to last 1.5 to 2 hours. All are welcome. Please stay tuned to the church's weekly email for a live-stream link as it will *not* be on our YouTube channel that day.

Have a great weekend, and I hope to see you Sunday,

Valerie

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- Please click here for this week's [Order of Service](#)
 - This week's Announcements and upcoming events are available [here](#).