



**November 14 to 23, 2025**


Friday November 14		
Saturday November 15	10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<b>Men's Discussion Group (Chapel)</b> Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary)
Sunday November 16	10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	<b>RUC Worship (Sanctuary)</b> <b>Green Sleeve Q&amp;A (Chapel)</b> <b>Handbell Gratitude Tea (Gathering area)</b> Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) Al-Anon Family Group (Boardroom)
Monday November 17	2:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Friends' Oven (Kitchen) Karate (Lower level hall) <b>Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)</b>
Tuesday November 18	11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	<b>Transitions Group (Gathering area)</b> <b>Reflective Crafting (Chapel)</b> E2 Academy (Kitchen) Elite Dance (Lower level hall) All Points West Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Wednesday November 19	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	<b>Walkers &amp; Talkers (Gathering area)</b> <b>Restorative Yoga (Lower level hall)</b> Hearthstone Condo AGM (Sanctuary) Elite Dance (Lower level hall)
Thursday November 20	10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	<b>RUC Staff meeting (Chapel)</b> Wellness Junkies (Lower level hall) <b>RUC Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)</b>
Friday November 21	10:00 a.m. 9:00 p.m.	Private rental—Boardroom Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary)
Saturday November 22	10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>Men's Discussion Group (Chapel)</b> Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) <b>RUC Youth Event (Lower level hall)</b>
Sunday November 23	10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	<b>RUC Worship (Sanctuary)</b> Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) Al-Anon Family Group (Boardroom)

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

**Handbell Gratitude Tea**

Sunday, November 16  
at 11:30 a.m. in  
Gathering area



# Riverbend United Church ~ News & events

**Grocery cards** will be available for purchase following worship services on:

- November 23 and 30
- December 7, 14, 21 and 28.

You can purchase a grocery card in \$50, \$100 or \$500 denominations to be used at a variety of grocery stores. This Church fundraiser is an easy way to help our faith community.

**Handbell Gratitude Tea** Please join us for a Gratitude tea following the Sunday, **November 16** worship service to celebrate the completion of the Bell set-up renewal project. The RUC Bell choir will be serving cake, tea and coffee to recognize the essential contributions of RUC members who volunteered their time, money and effort to see our project come to fruition.

**A Pastoral Letter from Regional Alberta United Church Leaders** regarding the provincial government's invocation of the notwithstanding clause in their labour dispute with the Alberta Teachers Association. Printed copies of the United Church Regional leaders position letter are available in the narthex or by [clicking here](#).

**Family Event & Christmas Pageant Rehearsal** Join us after service on Sunday, **November 30th**, for a special Family Fellowship Event! During this time, our children and youth will take part in a full dress rehearsal for the upcoming Christmas Pageant on December 14th, practicing with Alec Gallant, Children's Ministry Lead. This will be an exciting opportunity for the kids to bring their parts to life and prepare for the big performance! While the children rehearse, parents are invited to enjoy a time of fellowship and conversation with Rev. Valerie. It's a wonderful chance to connect, share, and celebrate together as we look forward to the Christmas season. Join us for an afternoon filled with community, joy, and the spirit of Christmas!

**New members** will be received on **December 7th**. Please contact Rev. Valerie for more information.

**The RUC Bells team needs you ...** The RUC Bells are in search of one additional Handbell enthusiast to fill a vacancy after Christmas. If you are enamoured with the sound of the bells and have always been curious to try them, this is your moment! Rehearsals are Monday evenings from 6:45 - 8:30 p.m. and you will be expected to perform at a church service every once in a while. Musical experience is an asset, but not essential. If this does not appeal to you, do you know someone else who might be interested? Please pass on this information to help us find a new ringer for our wonderful Handbell team! The new member will start in January 2026. Please contact Alison Grant-Préville, Handbell Director, via the church office as soon as possible so we can get you ringing!

**Snowflake High Tea** Treat yourself to a tea service of sweets, savories & sundries on **November 15** from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Pilgrim United Church (9008—135 Avenue NW, Edmonton). Tickets \$15.00 each, children 12 and under free. Tickets are available at the Church office by calling 780.476.5202.

**Edmonton Opera** will be hosting the 4th annual Rumbold Vocal Prize Recital for emerging Canadian opera singers on Friday evening, **November 21<sup>st</sup>** at the U of A Horowitz Theatre. The Rumbold Vocal Prize provides experience, exposure and over \$30,000 in annual prizes to four outstanding classical vocalists from across Canada. Tickets are available online at <https://www.edmontonopera.com/rumbold-2025>

**Christmas Bazaar** at Grace United Church (6215—104 Avenue NW, Edmonton) on Saturday, **November 22nd** from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come and find new and "new to you" gifts, crafts, Christmas items and a children's shopping opportunity! Baking, preserves and food products will also be available. Lunch is \$12.00, \$5.00 for children under 12.