

Riverbend United Church

Exploring Faith, Engaging Community



April 24 to May 3, 2026

Friday April 24	6:30 p.m.	All Point West Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Saturday April 25	10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Men's Discussion Group (Chapel) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) RUC Ensemble (Music room & Sanctuary) All Points West Choir concert (Sanctuary)
Sunday April 26	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Sunday Morning Contemplation (Chapel) RUC Worship (Sanctuary) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) Al-Anon Family Group (Boardroom)
Monday April 27	6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Karate Class (Lower level hall) Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) Spiritual Formation Meeting (Chapel)
Tuesday April 28	11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Transitions Group (Gathering area) Reflective Crafting (Chapel) Elite Dance (Lower level hall)
Wednesday April 29	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Walkers & Talkers (Gathering area) Yoga class (Lower level hall) E2 Academy (Kitchen) Elite Dance (Lower level hall)
Thursday April 30	10:00 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	Not Falling for You (Lower level hall) RUC Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Friday May 1		
Saturday May 2	10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Men's Discussion Group (Chapel) Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) RUC Youth Group (Lower level hall & Kitchen)
Sunday May 3	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	Sunday Morning Contemplation (Chapel) RUC Worship (Sanctuary) Garage sale set-up (Lower level hall) Newcomer's Welcome (Chapel) 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.



May 3 - Newcomers Welcome

May 7 to 9 - RUC Garage sale

May 10 - Mother's Day

Riverbend United Church - News & Events



Spiritual Book Drive! The Library Team has begun planning the RUC library renewal! We are hoping to have the grand opening of the revitalized library in the fall of 2026. In the meantime, we will be refining and expanding the collection. Our first step is hosting a Spiritual Book drive. If you have spiritual books at home that are collecting dust, please consider donating them to our library! Donations can be placed in the marked bin in the library. Donations are welcome anytime, but we are hoping to receive the bulk of books in the next two weeks. Thanks in advance!

Coming May 3 Join us for “An Unfolding Creation” a 4-week sermon series. Creation is not finished. It is still unfolding – across the universe, across life, and in us. What might we discover when we look more closely – through both faith and science – at the story of creation?

Mother’s Day Once again, Riverbend United Church’s **Outreach Group** will be collecting items for Mother's Day. With the rising costs of providing for babies please consider donating diapers, baby wipes, formula, baby food, snacks, pablum, etc. All donations will be distributed to organizations in need. Monetary donations can also be also be dropped off at the church. Donations will be accepted up to and including Sunday, **May 17**.

Jazz & Reflections on Sunday afternoons from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. at Spirit of Hope United Church (7909 - 82 Avenue NW). Everyone is welcome to enjoy an afternoon of music, spiritual reflection and refreshments at no cost. April 26th features the Doug Berner Trio. Admission by donation at the door, donations accepted to cover the musician’s fees and other expenses. Refreshments will be served.

Sunday Morning Contemplation in the Chapel on Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. We will spend the first 5 minutes explaining some contemplative practices followed by a 15-minute silent meditation period. In the remaining 10 minutes, we will do an abbreviated Lectio Divina (sacred reading) of one of the scripture readings for the week, with discussion to follow. All are welcome!

Newcomers welcome If you’re new to the church in the last year, please join us on Sunday, **May 3rd** in the Chapel after worship to learn more about the church and meet some leaders and other newcomers. Sign up in the narthex (foyer).

Graduate Sunday, May 24th Do you have any graduates or family members celebrating a school accomplishment? Perhaps a senior graduating from Grade 12, or a proud student graduating from university or college? Please let the office know so we can acknowledge their success on Sunday, May 24th.



Save the date AND your stuff!! Spring cleaning is in the air!!! Our annual **Garage Sale** is fast approaching, and we are very interested in leftover items you may no longer need. Donations for the garage sale can be brought to the Church beginning Sunday, May 3rd following worship. The sale will take place from May 7th to 9th and many volunteers are needed to make this another great success. Volunteer sign-up sheets for a variety of positions are now available in the Marthex at the back of the Church. We are especially in need of people to help on sale dates, May 7th to 9th.