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FROM THE DESK OF REV. HUGH!

Last week when I prepared this message I was talking about the week after Easter being so quiet!! Nothing much happening...attendance on Sunday always low...much lower than Easter Sunday for sure! So often clergy take that week off...which I did. I had thought it was a week to recover from the Lent/Holy Week/Easter rush...which it was.

But then I return and look at my schedule for this week. Oh My Gosh! What a week! I think I should have been resting up for this week coming instead of recovering from the week before.

There is a Candidacy Board meeting on Tuesday afternoon by Zoom that I need to prepare for today. (This is Monday) Then a more normal two days until we hit Friday and Saturday. And then... **the gravy hits the potatoes!** Not only the beef dinner here, but the largest fundraiser that Grace has every year – the Garage Sale. And of course, both of these are on the same weekend this year. So Friday...the prep party at Ardrossan early Friday afternoon and then I will drive to Grace and spend from 4 to 7 pm cruising the mass of treasures that everyone has brought in. I am so fortunate. That should add up to about 5 hours of my favourite pastoral care activity...hassling the workers at both Ardrossan and Grace...and whatever fortunate souls came in off the street in the city.

On Saturday I reverse the order...10 to 2 at Grace and then to Ardrossan for the Beef Dinner. I just hope that I have enough voice left to lead the gathered diners in the sanctuary in two rousing choruses of "Johnny Appleseed." And hopefully still be able to talk on Sunday morning when we are going to look back at some of the basis of the coming together of the United Church forebears.

Looking forward to seeing everyone Friday, Saturday, and Sunday!

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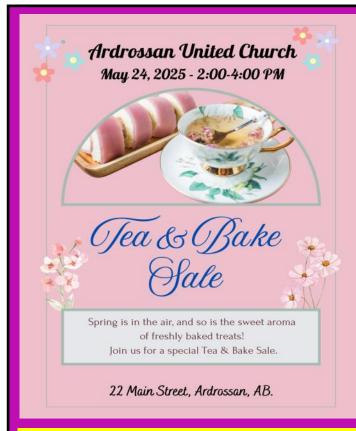
UPCOMING SERVICES @ 10AM

May 4, 2025May 11, 2025May 18, 2025May 25, 2025Rev. Hugh MacGregorWorship TeamRev. Hugh MacGregorKaren Gusek

If you are unable to attend Worship and would like to donate, please mail your offerings to: 22 Main Street, Ardrossan, AB. T8E 2A2

The United Church of Canada acknowledges that its buildings from coast to coast are on traditional territories of Indigenous peoples.

CONGREGATIONAL CORNER



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

May 2, 2025 starting at 1:00pm
We need you to help set up for the Beef Supper!
(Setting up chairs/tables, peeling and chopping etc.)
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME!



<u>Upcoming Events at</u> Ardrossan United

May 3—Beef Supper
May 24—Plant Sale 10am-3pm
May 24—UCW Tea and Bake Sale 2-4pm
June 14—ARAS Parade—AUC BBQ

MORE WAYS TO GIVE BACK AT AUC!

Used Stamps are being collected to help buy Bibles for prisoners **Shoes are being collected for donation to Soles 4 Souls. (Blue Bin outside AUC) **Food Bank donations are encouraged every Sunday and are delivered each month to the **Strathcona Food Bank.

Volunteers don't just do the work
they make the heart of the
community beat stronger.
Their impact is priceless,
and their dedication
immeasurable."



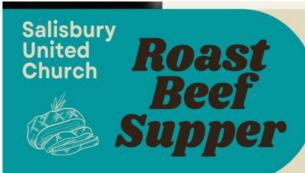






PLANT SALE PREPARATIONS:

We kindly ask that you donate stock plants.
Please bring them to the church on Friday. Also,
make cutting's of indoor plants, and splitting's
from outdoor plants. We appreciate your help
to make this sale a success!





SATURDAY May 10th, 2025 6:00 PM

Salisbury United Church 2 Mission Street Sherwood Park

TICKETS

Children (6-12): \$15 Children 5 & under: FREE

For Tickets Call: Dave Banick 780-464-2903

Tickets Sold until April 27th or Sold Out

GARAGE SALE



GRACE UNITED CHURCH

6215 - 104 Avenue

FRIDAY, May 2, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. SATURDAY, May 3, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Antiques and collectibles, household items clothing, jewellery, toys, books, sporting goods and more!

(proceeds to the church)





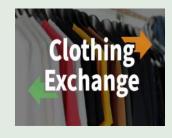
CLOTHING EXCHANGE.

May 2, 4-9pm and May 3, 7:30am—11:30pm

Sherwood Park Alliance Church -Contact: 780-467-8404

Bring what you've outgrown and take what you need!

Items can be dropped off: All clothing must be washed and clean, Accepted items: men's, women's and children's clothing, footwear, belts, purses, small household items, small children's toys and books You don't need to bring anything to attend!



May 2025



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
April 28 Rental	April 29	April 30 Band 2:30pm Rental	Blessed Stewards 9:30am	Beef Supper Preparation starting at 1:00pm	3 BEEF SUPPER
5 Rental	6	7 Rental	B.S. Coffee 9:30am Knitting Club 10:30am	9	10
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PLAYSCHOOL RUNS IN THE BASEMENT—MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAYS, MORNING AND AFTERNOON CLASSES.