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This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Christian Year – Reign of Christ Sunday. It is both a joyous celebration of this moment in time, and a looking forward with anticipation to what is to come. It is a transitional Sunday that leads us directly into Advent.

Our Christian year begins with Advent – the season of waiting and preparation. It comes to Christmas, the time of Christ's coming, his birth and all the joy and celebration surrounding that event.

It follows through Christ's life and ministry – through his baptism, and travels; through Lent and the preparation for Good Friday and death. It continues with the good news of Easter – of resurrection and new life. We come to Ascension and Pentecost and then learn of Christ's teachings and his vision for people.

Finally, on the last Sunday of the church year, as our minds are beginning to turn towards Christmas once again we come to Reign of Christ Sunday – also known as Christ the King Sunday.

Journey...that is a word that we use a lot in the church these days. When we come to Lent... we are on a journey to Jerusalem with Jesus. At Advent and Christmas, we journey to Bethlehem. Throughout the church year, we are on a journey with Jesus through his life and teaching. And most of all...we are on a journey of faith that lasts our entire lives.

And for this 4th sermon in our series on Celtic Spirituality, we are on a journey to reconnect with wisdom. And to do that, we reconnect with the journey.



Rev. Hugh MacGregor

UPCOMING SERVICES @ 10AM

November 23, 2025 Rev. Hugh MacGregor	November 30, 2025 Community Life Committee & Puppet Show— <i>Advent I</i>	December 7, 2025 Rev. Hugh MacGregor <i>Advent II</i> <i>White Gift Sunday</i>	December 14, 2025 Karen Gusek <i>Advent III</i>
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CONGREGATIONAL CORNER

The Meaning of White Gift Sunday

Sunday, December 7, 2025

The tradition of White Gift Sunday has its roots in a small Methodist church in Ohio in 1904. What began as a humble way to reflect on the love and devotion of the giver and not the value of the gift has grown into today's white gift services in many churches across several denominations.



The story is told that a minister's wife initiated the idea to solve the problem of inequity of gifts given at the Sunday School Christmas party. Instead of focusing on receiving gifts, the focus shifted to bringing gifts to Jesus that could in turn be shared with people around the world who did not have much. All the gifts would come wrapped in plain white paper, so that no one would know which was an expensive gift and which was a more modest one. No one would feel ashamed of their gift, and everyone would share in the joy of giving to others.

Ardrossan United Church observes White Gift Sunday with a service that takes place during the season of Advent. In keeping with the spirit of the first White Gift service, all those attending bring a gift for the Christmas Giving Tree.

On December 7th, please bring a gift if you are able, for a child, youth, man or woman. The gifts will be given to the Bissell Centre. This is one way we can show God's love and our caring commitment to the people of our community.

***The Bissell Centre has asked that we do not donate wrapped gifts.
This year, please bring your gift unwrapped or use an open bag.***

**Winter
DONATION
WISHLIST**



Your Donations Make a Difference!

•2100 children and adults access free clothing from Bissell Centre each year.

WARM ITEMS NEEDED

- Gloves & Boots
- Coats & Warm Pants
- Scarves & Toques
- Thermal Underwear
- Hand/Foot Warmers

OTHER ITEMS

- Work Gloves & Boots
- Diapers (all sizes)
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Deodorant & Razors

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH
PUPPET SHOW**

"Michael Mouse!"

*Bring your kids and grandkids
to Sunday Service 10am*



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 will be received at any time to the **Strathcona Food Bank**.



UCW have done very well selling
Turkey Pot Pies.

There are still a few left so If you hurry you may be lucky enough to get some!

Call: Janet Marler 780-922-3278
Or Hazel Modin 780-922-2461

5 inch Pies!!! 2 for \$15



**In Loving Memory
Agnes Jeanne Reynolds**
November 25, 1933—November 10, 2025

A Celebration of Jeanne's life
will be held at
First United Church
10409 100 Ave,
Fort Saskatchewan AB
T8L1Z3
on November 22, 2025
at 11:00 am.



Obituary Link:
[Obituary information
for Agnes Jeanne Reynolds](#)

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP
Blessed Stewards

Stop in on THURSDAYS AT 9:30AM

KNITTING GROUP
**2nd and 4th Thursday
of each month 10:30am**

COMMUNITY CORNER

Mill Woods United Church Presents

CHRISTMAS *Market*



NOVEMBER 29, 2025

FROM 10 AM TO 4 PM



ADMISSION BY DONATION

50+ VENDORS AND CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES!

Visit www.millwoodsunited.org for more information



MILL WOODS UNITED CHURCH

15 GRAND MEADOW CRESCENT, EDMONTON, AB

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



Grace United Church

6215 104 Ave

Saturday, November 22

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

New and "New to You" gifts, Crafts, Christmas items,

Kids' shopping opportunity!



Baking, Preserves, Food products,

Lunch (\$12.00 adults, \$5.00 children under 12)

Awww, I miss being a kid



If I slept like this nowadays
I'd be paralyzed

CAMPBELLVILLE

A VERY MERRY Market

VENDOR CALL

L & L Markets Presents A Very Merry
Market ... and we're accepting vendor
applications!

Time and Place:

DEC 6TH 10AM - 4PM
ARDROSSAN REC COMPLEX



More info - lmarkets.ca or lmarkets.ab@mail.com

"AND THIS IS OUR DELUXE
MODEL. IT HOLDS FIVE PAIRS
OF SLACKS, TWO SWEATERS,
THREE DRESSES AND AN
OVERCOAT."



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Salisbury United Church Bake Sale

Saturday, November 22, 2025
1:00-3:00 pm
2 Mission Street

Bake Sale only this year - NO LUNCH

FREE
ENTRY



November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			29 October	30 October Blessed Stewards 9:30am	31 October	1 Turn you clock back 1 hour before you go to bed
2 Karen Gusek <i>Western Service</i> <i>Lunch to Follow</i>	3 Rental	4 Rental	5	6 Blessed Stewards 9:30am	7 <i>Prep for Supper</i>	8  FALL SUPPER
9 Rev. Hugh MacGregor <i>Remembrance Service</i>	10 Rental	11 UCW Pie Making 9:30am	12	13 Blessed Stewards 9:30am Knitting 10:30am	14	15
16 Jackie St. Goddard	17 Rental	18 Rental	19	20 Blessed Stewards 9:30am Board Meeting 10:30	21	22
23 Rev. Hugh MacGregor	24 Rental	25 Rental	26	27 Blessed Stewards 9:30am Knitting 10:30am	28	29
30 Community Life Committee <i>Advent I</i> 		<u>Rentals</u> 1st Ardrossan Pathfinders Mondays: Little Church 6:30—8:00pm 1st Ardrossan Rangers Mondays: Board Room 6:30-8:30pm 1st Ardrossan Sparks/Embers Tuesdays: Basement 6:00-7:30pm		Our Little Friends Playschool Monday & Wednesday—Morning Classes Tuesday & Thursday—Morning and Afternoon Classes		