



UPCOMING SERVICES

January 25, 2026
Worship Team

February 1, 2026
Rev. Hugh MacGregor
Communion

February 8, 2026
Worship Team

February 15, 2026
Rev. Hugh MacGregor

February 22, 2026
Karen Gusek



From The Desk of Rev. Hugh MacGregor

This is a repeat of last year's message. It is an important reminder.

We are in the middle of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This past Sunday was the first day of that week. I talked about how the church started to splinter into various segments from near the very beginning and continued to split and schism until recently. Well, it still does that. New groups are formed every year. But we have also seen movement towards coming together since the 19th century here in Canada and more recently around the world. Here is a message from the Canadian Council of Churches.

"In the Gospel of John, Christ prays for his disciples before going to the cross. He asks that his followers "may all be one," as he and the Father are one, "so that the world may believe" and have life in his name (John 17). Christian unity is here made central to the very being of the church and to its mission and witness.

Today, we live with divisions even as we yearn for the unity promised and commissioned by Christ. The long and often painful history of Christianity has sundered our churches for theological, liturgical, and political reasons. Many Christians now strive to heal these divisions, yet honour our diversity, through ecumenical dialogue, common action, and relationship-building. They also come together to pray for unity, joining Christ in his prayer to the Father.

The worldwide celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is both the seed and the fruit of this striving for 'unity in diversity'. This time of shared prayer, reflection, and fellowship invites Christians of different traditions to deepen our relationships and to live and witness together throughout the year."

Let's keep this prayer of Jesus in mind as we come into contact with those of other denominations throughout the year.

-Hugh-

"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." – Ephesians 4:3

Ongoing Giving to Note:

- Used Stamps are being collected to help buy bibles for prisoners, you will find the stamp donation box in the Narthex of Ardrossan United Church.
- Shoes are being collected for donation to Soles 4 Souls. (Blue bin outside Ardrossan United Church.
- Food Bank Sunday is the last Sunday of each month, but you are welcome to bring donations anytime. Thank you for supporting the Strathcona Food Bank!



Stop in every Thursday at 9:30am
in the Little Church

KNITTING GROUP

Meeting on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays
each month at 10:30am

NEXT MEETING, JANUARY 22!

January 25, 2026

FOOD BANK SUNDAY

Bring donations of non-perishable
foods for the Strathcona Food Bank
this Sunday.

Thank you for giving!



2025 Annual Report

To: The Chairs of our Ardrossan United Church Committees,
it is time to start preparing your annual reports for 2025.

Please email or drop them off in the church office.
Thank you

FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS

February 1: Communion 10:00am

February 10: UCW Luncheon

February 11: Our Little Friends Playschool Open House 3:00-7:00pm

February 15: Basement Rental 3:00-5:00pm

February 19: Board Meeting 10:30am

February 21: Sanctuary Rental

“Kindness never stays contained. Even the smallest gesture sends out quiet waves that touch places we may never witness, shaping moments and lives far beyond our own.”



I don't know who needs to hear this, but by the end of January the sun won't set until 5:15pm.

February: 5:40pm

March: 6:15pm

April: 7:10pm

May: 8:05pm

Brighter days are coming.



COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS



AN AFTERNOON OF ENTERTAINMENT @ SALISBURY UC
 SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH | 1:30 PM
 SALISBURY UNITED CHURCH
 2 MISSION STREET
 (EVENT HELD IN THE SANCTUARY)

FEATURING ENTERTAINMENT FROM: REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

MILLWOODS UNITED CHURCH

Jewelry Boutique & COFFEEHOUSE

PRE-OWNED, SUSTAINABLE, AFFORDABLE AND EARTH FRIENDLY FASHION. CURATED SCARVES, BAGS, PURSES, TIES AND JEWELRY FOR SALE AT PERFECT PRICES

FEBRUARY 7, 2026
 11AM - 4PM

Come and enjoy a light lunch and shop for your Valentine

FARMERS MARKETS IN YOUR COMMUNITY OPEN YEAR ROUND

Sherwood Park Farmers Market
 3:00-7:00pm
 Wednesdays
 401 Festival Lane
 Community Centre

Salisbury Farmers Market
 4:00 – 7:00pm
 Thursdays
 Salisbury
 Greenhouse



Feb 7 at 10 AM – Feb 8 at 4 PM

Wholly Handmade February 2026

401 Festival Lane, Sherwood Park, AB, Canada

ARDROSSAN 55 PLUS CLUB

Membership \$20 per year
 Weekly and Monthly Activities
 Call: 780-922-2025
 or Call: Sofie 780-935-3625

<https://www.strathcona.ca/community-families/community-facilities/community-halls-and-senior-centres/ardrossan-55-plus-club/>



NOTES TO MYSELF

1. You will **NOT** remember that password. **WRITE IT DOWN.**
2. Your coffee is still in the microwave.
3. Do **NOT** throw away the box with the directions until the food is **IN** the oven.
4. Stop spending more money just to get free shipping.
5. Your glasses are on top of your head.
6. Even with a *really* bad stomach flu, you're **NOT** fitting into those jeans again...get rid of 'em.



January 2026



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 New Years Day | 2 | 3 |
| 4 10:00am Rev. Hugh MacGregor | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 9:30 Blessed Stewards 10:30am Knitting Group | 9 | 10 |
| 11 10:00am Karen Gusek | 12 | 13 UCW 1:30pm | 14 | 15 9:30 Blessed Stewards 10:30am Board Meeting | 16 Scouts Sleepover 6:30pm | 17 Scouts leaving 10:30am |
| 18 10:00am Rev. Hugh MacGregor | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 9:30 Blessed Stewards 10:30am Knitting Group | 23 | 24 |
| 25 10:00am Worship Team | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 9:30 Blessed Stewards | 30 | 31 <i>Rein Riders Rental Sanctuary</i> |

Our Little Friends Playschool
 Monday & Wednesday—Morning Classes
 Tuesday & Thursday—Morning and Afternoon Classes

Rentals
Ist Ardrossan Pathfinders
 Mondays: Little Church 6:30–8:00pm
Ist Ardrossan Rangers
 Mondays: Board Room 6:30–8:30pm
Ist Ardrossan Sparks/Embers
 Tuesdays: Basement 6:00–7:30pm