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UPCOMING SERVICES

May 24, 2026
Rev. Hugh
MacGregor

May 31, 2026
Worship Team

June 7, 2026
Rev. Hugh
MacGregor
Communion

June 14, 2026
Karen Gusek

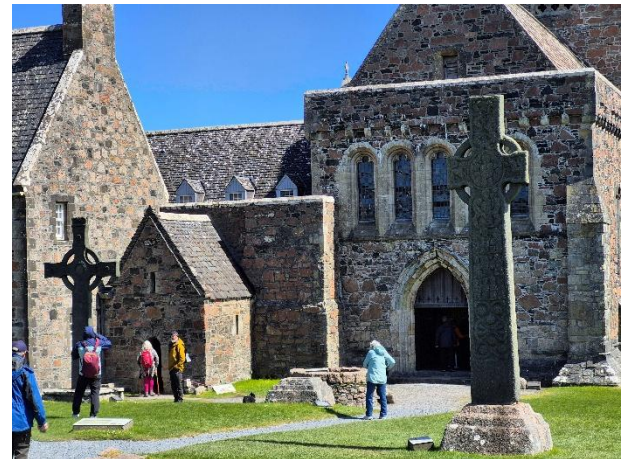
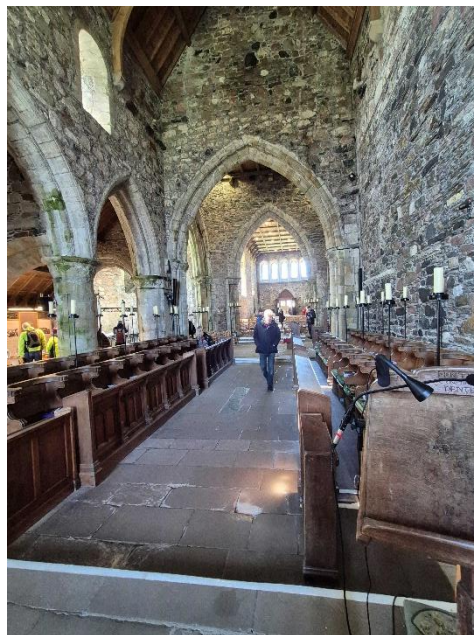
June 21, 2026
Rev. Hugh
MacGregor
Father's Day



Last Wednesday Diana and I took two ferries and a bus and ended up on the island of Iona off the west coast of Scotland. It is a place that I have been wanting to get to for years. We finally made it. Iona is a place where St. Columba landed and built an abbey back in the 500s. He came from Ireland and he is credited with bringing Christianity to Scotland.

Over the years, the abbey fell into disuse, especially after the Scottish reformation when things got very dicey between the established Roman Catholic Church and the new reformed Church of Scotland.

In 1938 the Rev. George MacLeod gathered a group of students and out-of-work craftspeople and went to Iona to reconstruct the Abbey. Since then it has become a place of renewed spiritual growth for people coming to Iona on a pilgrimage. Several of my ministry colleagues have gone to Iona for week-long retreats. There is a worship resource group that operates out of Iona now called the Wild Goose Worship Group. These are two pictures from the Abbey.



See you Sunday, Hugh!

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!



BLESSED STEWARDS

9:30AM
THURSDAYS
LITTLE CHURCH
COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP TIME
ALL ARE WELCOME

UCW

United Church Women

Thank you to everyone who gives to the coffee fund, whether its weekly or monthly. Your donations help us with coffee expenses for our fellowship times.



BEAUTY BESIDE
THE CHURCH

May 24, 2026 – Pentecost Sunday

"Pentecost reminds us that the Spirit still sets hearts on fire. Wear red or orange or yellow, if you'd like, and celebrate the flame that lives in us."



KNITTING GROUP

Anyone wishing to share in conversation and coffee while knitting is welcome to join us on the 2nd and 4th Thursday morning of each month.
10:30am in the Little Church

The knitters have been hard at work creating baby beanies and blankets, lap blankets and twiddle muffs. Many have been honoured with volunteer hour pins.

Thanks for making a difference in the world!



OUTDOOR CLEAN-UP

SATURDAY, MAY 23RD

10:00AM

BRING A RAKE
AND A SMILE



Ardrossan United Church

780-922-2255

Email: ardrossanunitedchurchoffice@gmail.com

Website: Ardrossanunitedchurch.org

Your giving—whether large or small—is deeply appreciated.

If you would like to mail your givings the Address is: 22 Main Street, Ardrossan, AB. T8E 2A2

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

WHOLLY HANDMADE

SATURDAY, May 23
10am - 5pm

SUNDAY, May 24
11am - 4pm

Come and support over 135 local handmade artisans and crafters

Free admission

STRATHCONA COUNTY COMMUNITY CENTRE
THE AGORA
401 FESTIVAL LANE
SHERWOOD PARK

Visit www.whollyhandmade.com for more info

ARDROSSAN FARMERS MARKET

Memorial Hall • 60 FIRST AVE

TUESDAYS 4:30 - 7:30PM
JUNE THROUGH SEPTEMBER

ARAS
ARDROSSAN RECREATION & COMMUNITY SOCIETY
ardrossanrecagsociety.ca



June 2
Market Kick-off
Celebration



Sept (TBD)
Community
Corn Roast



Sept 22
Play Days

Enter to Win Monthly Raffle Prize Baskets!

Welcoming New Vendors for the 2026 Season!

Exciting \$750-2500 Incentives
on Qualifying Products (limited spots available)



Sherwood Park & District
Chamber of Commerce

2026 LOBSTER FEST

FRIDAY, MAY 22
BUFFET ROYALE CARVERY,
957 FIR ST #116, SHERWOOD PARK

ARAS Community Growing Patch

Learn With Us!





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Saturday, June 6, 2026 at 10AM - 1PM

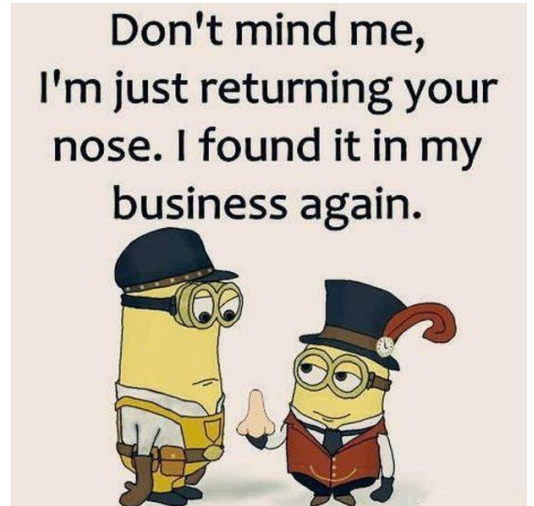
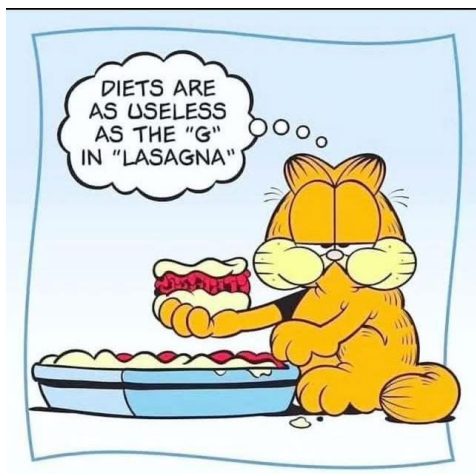
ARAS Community Growing Patch: Three Sisters Planting Experience

ARAS Community Growing Patch: 22177 Wye Road (South-east corner of RR222 & Wye Road)

Ardrossan 79TH PARADE

Saturday 20 June 11-12:30

EXPECTED ROAD CLOSURES



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 – 7:30pm
Thursdays
Salisbury
Greenhouse



Rentals

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

Rentals

153rd Ardrossan Scouts
 Wednesdays: Little Church 6:30-8:00pm
153rd Ardrossan Scouts
 Fridays: Board Room 7:00-8:30pm



May 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	April 27	April 28	April 29	April 30	May 1	2
				Coffee & Fellowship 9:30am		
3 Jackie St. Goddard	4	5 Indoor Cleaning BEE 10:30am	6	7 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30am	8	9
10 Karen Gusek Mother's Day	11	12 UCW 1:30pm	13	14 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30am Knitting 10:30am	15	16
17 Pastor Bev Sesink	18	19 Indoor Cleaning BEE 10:30am	20	21 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30am Board Meeting 10:30am	22	23 Outdoor Cleanup Day 10am
24 Rev. Hugh MacGregor <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	25	26	27	28 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30am Knitting 10:30am	29	30
31 Worship Team						



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