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Acting Chair of Church Council

Melanie Davis

March 23 to April 26, 2018

During 2018, the position of Chair of Church Council will be rotating through the members of our council. We will keep you informed of the current acting chair by updating this notice in our weekly announcements.

Hearing Assist Devices

are available at the soundboard
(located at the center back of the sanctuary)
in order that all might participate in our worship service.
If you would like to try out one of these devices
please feel free to approach our sound technician
or one of the ushers.

OBSERVER

subscriptions are due!!

Please send in your cheque for **\$25.00**
payable to First United Church.

If you want to cancel or start a new subscription,
please contact the church office at 306-773-9353.

Sunday April 22, 2018

A warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today!
If this is your first time with us,
please be sure to sign one of our guest books.
You are very welcome to join us for coffee and conversation
after worship in the large foyer outside the sanctuary.

Upcoming Meetings & Activities:

- Monday, April 23 – General U.C.W.,
10:00 a.m. in the Chinook room.
- Tuesday, April 24 – Chair Yoga,
10:00 a.m. in the Burnham room.
- Tuesday, April 24 – Council Executive,
5:15 p.m. in the Chinook room.
- Tuesday, April 24 – Loose Change Supper,
5:30 p.m. in the gym.
- Wednesday, April 25 – Prayer Group,
8:45 a.m. in the Chapel.
- Wednesday, April 25 – Lectionary Bible Study,
9:30 a.m. in the Chinook room.
- Wednesday, April 25 – Garage and Rummage Sales,
2:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 25 - Choir practice,
7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.
- Thursday, April 26 – Come-and-Go Coffee Time,
10:30 a.m. in the Cypress Lounge.
- Thursday, April 26 – Church Council, 7:00 p.m. in
the Cypress Lounge.

**The Garage Sale room
is looking for items
that are in good and clean condition.
Please call Anne Kaytor at
306-773-8913 for more information.**

Spring Fundraiser Supper

Sunday, April 22nd at 5:30 p.m. in the gym.

Ham, scalloped potatoes, carrots, corn, salads, buns and pie for dessert.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children 6-11.

Preschoolers are free. Tickets are now on sale!

Exploring Myths about Indigenous Culture

The Affirming Ministry Committee

invites you to join us

as we explore stereotyping and how it supports systems of privilege & oppression.

We will watch a short video and have opportunities for discussion and sharing.

When: Sunday, April 29th following the service

Where: Burnham Room

Confirmation 2018

Our confirmation program will begin Friday April 27th

This 8 session program is being offered to youth age 13 and older. There will be 3 sessions this spring and then another 5 in the fall.

For more information or to register please contact Staci Schaitel or Annette Taylor.

U.C.W. Plant & Muffin Sale

Wednesday, May 23rd, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Muffin & Tea/Coffee Service \$5

Donations of indoor & outdoor plants welcomed and much appreciated.

Please drop off plants the day before the sale.

Please join us **Sunday, May 6**

for a **Potluck lunch**

in the gym following the worship service

Ray McGinnis Prayer Workshop

Sunday, May 6

1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (following potluck)

How do you find joy in your life?

Can experiences of stress, disappointments, and obstacles be catalysts for you to search for joy? In this workshop you will have a chance to consider the quality of joy in your life.

There will be time to do some thinking, personal writing, to see a 25 minute documentary and for conversation.

Ray is a skilled and experienced workshop facilitator and the author of *Writing the Sacred*.

This will be his third visit to Swift Current.

Cost is \$20 payable at the door. Please register at the church office or by calling 306-773-9353.

No previous writing experience is necessary. All are welcome!

Crisis Support Line Now Open

In the wake of the Humboldt Bronco's bus accident, Morneau Shepell has launched a national crisis support line that is available to anyone in need of emotional support.

The crisis line can be reached at: **1.844.751.2133**.

By calling the crisis line, individuals will receive crisis counselling support and/or referral to community resources.

This resource is available to anyone and everyone, client or not.

Their website workhealthlife.com also features additional information and tips on coping with traumatic events.