

AGlance@SVUC

Sunday, October 7th – Sunday, October 14th

Sunday	07	10:30 am	Worship Service/Sunday School/Youth Thanksgiving Sunday/World Communion Sandwich Making
Monday	08		Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving!
Tuesday	09	9-3 pm 7 pm	Quilting Ministry Board Meeting
Thursday	11	9:30 am 10:30 am 7:30 pm	Coffee Talk SVUC Hospitality Baking Group SVUC Choir
Friday	12	6:30 pm	Junior Youth Group Halloween Party
Saturday	13	6:30 pm	Youth Group Bake off
Sunday	14	10:30 am 12:30 pm	Worship Service/Sunday School/Youth Book of John Study



STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN - *LOVING OUR NEIGHBOURS IN ACTION*

Each day, look for at least one person, place, or moment that you're thankful for or that fills you with feelings of thankfulness. When you are with that person, or are in that place, or have had that moment, leave your thumbprint somewhere close by. As you do, say—even under your breath—"Thank you, God!" See how many thumbprint thank yous you can leave in the world.



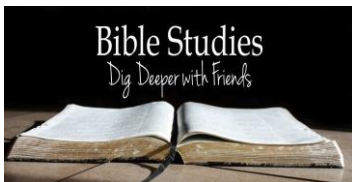
SANDWICH MAKING - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7TH FOLLOWING SERVICE

Join us in the Valley view Room as we make more than 400 sandwiches for the Drop-In Centre.
Many Hands Make Light Work



QUILTING MINISTRY - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH (9-3 PM)

All are welcome to join this ministry!
Come when you are able, no commitment required.
Bring your own project to work on or help us with a church project.



BOOK OF JOHN STUDY – SUNDAYS 12:30-2:30 PM BEGINNING OCTOBER 14TH

Vicki and Stephen will be exploring John's Gospel in this fall's bible study. The author of John's Gospel wrote with a mystical tone that conveys the unique relationship between God and Jesus. Please indicate if you need childcare when you register with Essie at (403-274-2361) or essie@symonsvalleyuc.com by Monday October 8th. Remember to bring a bag lunch and gather in the Meeting Room on the following Sundays from 12:30-2:30 pm: October 14, October 28, November 4 and December 9



PLANNED GIVING INFO SESSION - MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 7PM (SVUC)

Lead by Kathryn Hofley, United Church regional Financial Development Officer for the Prairie Region, this session will cover the basics of what is planned giving and will touch on topics including:

- bequests in wills
- life insurance
- gifts of RRSPs, RRIFs and Tax-Free Savings Accounts (TFSA's)
- personal endowment funds
- gifts of publicly-listed stocks, mutual funds and bonds

For more information, please see Wayne Carmichael.

SVUC GROCERY CARD PROGRAM - Forms are now available for the remainder of this year.

For more information, email your questions to: grocerycards@symonsvalleyuc.com



OBSERVER SUBSCRIPTION TIME – OCTOBER 21 & 28

For only \$25 you will receive a year's subscription to the award-winning magazine of the United Church of Canada. New Subscriptions will be available for purchase following service **Oct 21st & 28th**. Current subscribers will soon receive an email from the church office regarding renewal. For more information, please see Kathy Spence-Cameron.



GOOD FOOD BOX – ORDERS TAKEN ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

Orders will be taken on **Sunday, October 14th** following service in the lobby. Payment must accompany all orders. Boxes can be picked up on **Thursday, October 25th**, from 7-8pm in the Board Room



COFFEE TALK – EVERY THURSDAY (9:30AM)

Join Vicki & Stephen as they lead this weekly time of coffee and conversation. Topics will include current affairs and how they impact our faith and spirituality. Coffee (and tea) will be provided – All are welcome. Childcare can be arranged with advanced notice to the office.



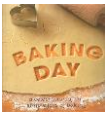
WORSHIP COMMITTEE – COMMUNION

The Worship committee is looking for volunteers to assist with prepping the Elements for Holy Communion as well as serving the Elements during service.

Communion is the first Sunday of each month as well as the Late Service on Christmas Eve.

We generally need 1-2 people to help with prepping the Elements and setting them up on the altar and 7 people to serve the Elements during service.

To volunteer, please see the sign-up link on the body of the email.



COME BAKE WITH US! – WEEKLY ON THURSDAYS FOLLOWING COFFEE TALK

Join our Hospitality Group and create the wonderful snacks that are offered on Sunday mornings! If you would like more information, please speak to Elsa McLaren.

CALGARY PRESBYTERY CELEBRATION GALA – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1ST (5-9 PM)

On January 1st, The United Church of Canada is changing how its structure is organized. One outcome of the upcoming change will be that Calgary Presbytery will cease to exist. As such, the Presbytery is holding a **Celebration Gala on Saturday December 1st, 5-9 pm**. There will be dinner served and music by the HeeBee JeeBees. **Tickets are \$30**. You may purchase tickets by using this link: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/calgary-presbytery-gala-tickets-50141091354> or you may contact Essie in the church office to let her know how many tickets you would like to order and drop off the payment. I will order all of our tickets as a group together. The deadline for tickets sales online is November 15th however if you order them through the office, please let us know by **Thursday November 1st**. If cost is a barrier for you to attend, please speak with Vicki regarding a subsidy for this event.

LIBRARY - Visit our exciting Library in the Church office. Open Sunday mornings and during office hours. Books for all ages and study guides. Borrow and Enjoy.

HAUNTED HOUSE MATERIALS NEEDED! Supplies for the Haunted House Needed!! Youth need tarps, Halloween decorations, dolls, Star Wars costumes and decorations, and camping gear. Anything spooky, scary, or that fits the above would be greatly appreciated for haunted house set up on October 26th.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Symons Valley United Church Board is looking for people with interest in and skills for:

- chairing the Board of SVUC. The current Chair of the Board, Scot Middleton, will be at his term limit as of February 2019 and we are looking for someone to fill the role of Chair of the Board
- managing the finances of the congregation. In 2020, our current Treasurer, Michelle Middleton, will be at the end of her term limit. As the role of Treasurer requires a significant time commitment

and level of accounting skills, the Board is beginning the process now of finding a new Treasurer so that there will be time next year for training.

If you have interest in either of the above roles, please contact Vicki or Stephen. If you have questions about the scope of either role, please contact Scot or Michelle.