

Events Newsletter: July 3, 2024



### Upcoming events of interest to the people of the Northern Spirit Region.

If you have news or events to share, please write a short description, with a clear headline and a link to more information, and send it to northernspirit@united-church.ca.



★ Add your local events to our Northern Spirit events calendar! ★ Click here to view upcoming events. And click here to submit your event.

### **News From the Pews & Other Ministries**

#### **Nominations:**

- **Spotlight on Support Committees!** Click here for our Nominations overview on the Lay Support and Ministry Personnel Support Committees in Northern Spirit.
- **General Commissioners for GC45:** new information page, helpful videos from our colleagues in Shining Waters Regional Council, and Nominations form now available on our website.

<u>Learn more about becoming a Commissioner for GC45 here.</u>

Nominate yourself or someone else using the Commissioners Nomination form, here.

### **Upcoming Events & Learning Opportunities**

### Treaty Land Sharing Network Alberta launch and networking day, 6 July, near Camrose.

Join us as we celebrate the official launch of Land Sharing efforts to the west side of Treaty Six in Alberta. The Treaty Land Sharing Network is a group of Farmers, Ranchers, Land Trusts, Acreage owners and other rural landholders who are dedicated to acknowledging and living out the spirit of the Treaties through voluntarily sharing land with Indigenous peoples. This event is an opportunity for landowners and Indigenous peoples to learn more about the network and how to get involved. Click here for more information and tickets. Those too far to travel to this: the TLSN would like to make contact with Indigenous people and nations, and non-Indigenous people, in others parts of AB. Please have a look at their website.

### Farewell to Camp Wohelo, July 6, 10 a.m., Camp Wohelo

Greetings Friends of Camp Wohelo! Countless women in our region spent many memorable times at beautiful Camp Wohelo and this is our opportunity to share our memories and good-byes. Please join us at 10 am on July 6 for visiting and reliving a day at Camp Wohelo! (Activites planned 10 am to 6 pm). Please RSVP with the number of people attending, ages, allergies, dietary restrictions/preferences to <a href="mailto:campwohelo@yahoo.ca">campwohelo@yahoo.ca</a> so that we may be well prepared for you all. Note the method of payment, an e-transfer or bring the payment with you. (15 years old and up, \$20 / Seniors and under 15 years old, \$10 / Free for 10 years old and under).

# Care of Creation Town and Country Garden Tour: *July 13, 10 am - 4 pm, Drayton Valley*

Enjoy a day in the sunshine, tour beautiful gardens and celebrate God's creation! Tickets are \$15, all proceeds to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. Click here for full details!

# Stones Cry Out: Praying with the Land, Lutheran and Anglican National Worship Conference: *July 18-21, 2024, Regina.*

Registration is now open! <u>Visit our website here</u>, and follow us on Facebook @nationalworshipconference for updates regarding the keynote speakers, workshops, and Friday evening hospitality options! The focus of the conference is to help us to think about, talk about, and pray about the ways in which we can transform our worship, in authentic ways - from language and image of empire and colonialism, to one which recognizes our rich multi-cultural and Indigenous heritage. <u>Register at this link</u>.

### ★ Affirm United AGM and Annual Conference, July 19 - 21, online

Join us on July 19 - 21 for our AGM! Come as a voting representative from your community of faith, or grab your own membership and represent as yourself with a vote! Register here.

#### ~ Into the Future:

### ★ UCC Administrators' Conference: *October 1-4, Saskatoon, SK*

Calling all office administrators!! You have one month left to register for our UCC Office Admin Conference (<u>full details</u>). <u>A registration package is available</u> that includes a letter to your M&P committee and a draft agenda. This conference is a great way to network with others who do the same job as you, ask questions, share resources, and learn from each other. Please reach out if you have any further questions: <u>cwinslow@united-church.ca</u>. Deadline to register is **August 1!** (Payment needs to be received by September 15).

## Save the Date - How Is It Going 3.0: Connecting Dots, Saturday September 28, 2024, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm, Sherwood Park AB

Facilitator: MaryAnn Pastuck. A cluster gathering for Edmonton area United Churches at Sherwood Park United Church, 20 Fir St, Sherwood Park, AB. Co-hosted by Salisbury United. This is a follow-up to the gatherings at McDougall and St Albert, open to anyone interested in knowing ways we can help each other. Attendance at previous gatherings not required.

# ★ UNJPPI's National Gathering: "Faith in a Time of Genocide", November 1-2, Toronto, and Palestine Land Exercise Training, Thursday, October 31, Toronto

"Faith in a Time of Genocide" is both an important conference to reflect on our faith and a call to faithfulness in solidarity with Palestinians. "What does our faith call us to now?" The conference sponsored by UNJPPI invites you to wrestle together with these questions and find paths of effective action that bear witness to our faith. Our congregations, our United Church, our partners in Palestine Israel and our ecumenical friends need your faithful leadership now. We welcome your prayers for the people of Palestine and for UNJPPI as we prepare this conference. Full details here.

- Click here to view our regional events calendar.
- Click here for the latest United in Learning online conversation and learning offerings.

#### Click here to access past Newsletter issues.



Notice: We have moved!

The Regional Council office has moved into a smaller space as of April 2024.

Our new mailing address is:

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Our phone number has also changed. The new office number is: 1(800) 268-3781, extension 6029.

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If you have any questions or concerns please reach out!

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