

**May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Welcome to McClure United Church - a place of friendship. May our time together in God's presence be meaningful and renewing. Coffee and juice will be served in the dining room after the service. Please stay for this time of fellowship.

**McCLURE**

*United Church*

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9am - 3:30pm (closed 12-1)  
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**website: [www.mcclureunitedchurch.org](http://www.mcclureunitedchurch.org)**

**Helping with today's service**

Worship Setup: Bill Strachan  
Van Driver: Doug Coley  
Church Office: Carol Claypool

**9:15am**

Greeters Bonnie & Boyd Godfrey  
Ushers Linda & Wilf Gatrell, Joye Binnie  
Coffee Nada Ritchie

**11:00am**

Greeters Barry & Wendy Anderson,  
Dawn & Trevor Bell  
Ushers Joan & Ray Verity, Evelyn Gertner,  
Darlene Hogg

**Helping next Sunday – May 19<sup>th</sup>**

Worship Setup: Al Bibby  
Van Driver: Doug Coley

**10am**

Greeters Muriel Baxter, Ann Richards,  
Glenda & Ken Anderson  
Ushers Sylvia & Clint Cory,  
Linda & Wilf Gatrell  
Coffee Karen Kovac  
Candles **Looking for volunteer**

**One Sunday Service only  
starts next week May 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

**WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

**May 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Mon**

**Tues**

1:30pm Stitching Group (Craft Room)  
1:30pm Knitting Group (Library)  
7pm Stewardship (Gathering Room)  
7pm Worship Band (Sanctuary)

**Wed**

10am Wed. Women's Group (Library)  
7:30pm Choir Practice (Music Room)

**Thurs**

**Fri**

**Sat**

**Sun**

6pm M&P (Library)  
9am PD Day Camp (Multi-purpose Room)  
**10am Worship Service, Rainbow Village,  
Jr. & Sr. Youth Groups**

There are many opportunities to be involved in the life and work of our busy church.  
Watch for our great summer activities – make friends and feel good while connecting.  
Walking group begins soon and our summer students have got some great ideas for fun.  
Keep an eye on our Website and Facebook page.

**Are you a NEWCOMER to McClure United Church? Have you recently changed your address?**

Would you like more information about McClure and our community? If you answered yes, please take a moment to tell us about yourself or update your info. *Place this completed form in the offertory plate or bring to the church office.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

- I would like to receive a newcomers packet (detailed information about the church and its' activities)
- I would like to receive the monthly newsletter – Paper copy or Email version (*please circle either paper or email*)
- I would like a call from a minister

Your email address: \_\_\_\_\_



*Flowers placed in the sanctuary today are to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ross Blackburn by his loving family.*

### **MCCLURE AT PRAYER**

*The names listed below have been chosen randomly from a list of those who make McClure United Church their home. It is our desire to hold each other in prayer and care always. This week you are invited to pray specifically for those listed*

*Martin, Sheila, Gillian, Duncan &*

*Caroline May ~ Les Calyniuk*

*~ Dennis & Renie Anderson Judy Cross &*

*Doug, Kayla & Lucas Hogan ~*

*David Taylor*

### **#4 Regional Council Prayer Cycle**

*We pray for Silton Church*



### **REMINDERS:**

- † Do you have something that the congregation needs to know? Announcements can be emailed to: [mcclureunitedchurch@shaw.ca](mailto:mcclureunitedchurch@shaw.ca) by **Wednesday noon each week.**
- † Follow us on Facebook for up to date events and reminders
- † Deadline for newsletter submissions is **May 19<sup>th</sup>**. Please email them in electronic form to: [brendazuk@sasktel.net](mailto:brendazuk@sasktel.net)
- † The Food Bank barrel is in the church foyer. Donations are always welcome.
- † The Friendship Inn Pasta bin is also in the church foyer - Donations are appreciated.
- † Extra copies of the monthly newsletter are available in the literature rack directly outside the church office doors.



Please save your bottles, cans, cartons, juice boxes to help us raise funds for Quest Mexico 2020.

You may drop your recyclables off at the recycling bin at McClure Church or call/email Laura ([laura@mcclureunitedchurch.org](mailto:laura@mcclureunitedchurch.org)) to come pick up bottles at your home or you can drop your bottles at SARCAN and ask that the moneys go towards "McClure United Youth Group". Thank you so much for your support.

### **MEALS ON WHEELS**

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, Will & Betty Arscott are driving Route 1 and Karen Kovac is driving Route 2. Thanks to Carol, Lynne & Jan who drove May 10

### **Position posting: Hospitality Coordinator**

The Hospitality Coordinator will lead, plan, implement, organize and facilitate an effective hospitality initiative for McClure United Church with initial emphasis on Sunday morning welcome. Part-time position, up to 6 hours/week. On-site presence is required on Sunday mornings between 8:30am & 12:30pm at the Church. **Qualifications:** Is, or is prepared to be upon hire, an active participant in the life and worship of McClure United Church. Paid or volunteer experience in organizing and delivering hospitality in an institutional setting. For a full position description please consult "postings" under the McClure Home Page tab at <http://mcclureunitedchurch.org/> For inquiries and to apply [ruthmireau@sasktel.net](mailto:ruthmireau@sasktel.net)

### **Position posting: Communications**

**Director:** This is a part time position. Reporting to the Minister of Renewal and Worship, the Communications Director will lead, create, organize, plan and implement effective communication and marketing strategies, messages and events for McClure United Church. For a full position description please consult "postings" under the McClure Home Page tab at <http://mcclureunitedchurch.org/> For inquiries and to apply [ruthmireau@sasktel.net](mailto:ruthmireau@sasktel.net)

### **13<sup>th</sup> Month Fundraising Campaign**

The Stewardship Committee, along with the McClure Church Board are running a fundraiser in May and June in preparation for a season of the year that is generally financially stressful for the church. We ask that you consider making an additional donation to McClure, in the same amount that you generally donate to the church in a one month period. In addition, we ask that you be up to date with your financial commitments to the church for July and August before you leave for the lake.

Oliver Lodge Tea and Bake Sale on May 25<sup>th</sup> would love donations of baking. All donations can be dropped off at McClure church office Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> by 2:00pm. Thank you.

## A BIG THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped with the City Wide Food Bank Drive this past week. I was overwhelmed with an overabundance of volunteers this year. Many who help have been there every year and your continued volunteerism is appreciated. Thanks to you all many will have food to keep them through the summer. The use of the Food Bank has risen in the past year and it is good to keep them in mind at all times. I look forward to working with you again next year. Thanks again and God Bless You!

*Carol Claypool*



Thanks to the Congregational Care Committee for organizing our 'foyer coffee time', before both services, and the "back row gang" for helping to serve at the early service. With the arrival of summer holiday season, we will no longer be serving coffee in the foyer, after the end of May. Coffee will continue to be served in the dining room, after church, through the summer. So pull up a chair and settle in for a visit! We plan that the "foyer coffee" time will resume in the fall.



### **Spring into Summer with Sacred Sounds!**

Join Sacred Sounds for a night of treats, music, and conversation at a concert on May 25th at 7pm in the sanctuary! Donations at the door will go to the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society. We hope to see you there!



### **Walking Connections: Too Inspired to be Tired**

Come walk with us. Wednesday evenings beginning at 6:30pm May 29-June 26

More than just an ordinary walking group. We will gather at the church at 6:30pm to hear a short reflection (scripture, poem, inspired reading) and will walk approximately 2.5km in silent reflection. Each person may walk at their own pace. We will gather at an identified muster point and walk back to the church in conversation (again at a pace that is comfortable for you). For more information please contact Brian or Laura. Please let us know if you are planning on coming so we are sure not to leave without you.



The mission of the board over the coming year be "**CELEBRATING CONNECTIONS**". We will focus on strengthening the relationships inside of our community so that we can reach out in the future with renewed energy and strength to do the big projects that excite us. How will the choices we make strengthen relationships in our McClure community? Shawn Achor in his book The Happiness Advantage describes the importance of social connections. He says that "like food and air, we need social relationships to thrive. That's because when we have a community of people we can count on we multiply our emotional, intellectual, and physical resources". Social support increases happiness, releases oxytocin which reduces anxiety and improves concentration. It lengthens our lives, having more impact on health than quitting smoking, lowering blood pressure, weight loss and increasing exercise. Social connections increase our tolerance for adversity.

What can you do this Sunday that will increase your own sense of belonging here, in this space? What can you do today that will increase the sense of connection for someone you are sitting beside? What will you plan to do so that by the end of this year you feel more connected to our McClure Community? What suggestions do you have for the Church Board to enhance the connections of those involved with this Community of Faith?

*Ruth Mireau, McClure United Church Board*

Late spring and summer are special times on the prairies and present unique opportunities for nurturing our spiritual lives. I am planning a four sermon series on the relationship between Springtime/Summer activities and the spiritual life and would like some folks to share how this relationship works in your life. There will be only one service of worship at 10:00 AM at this time of year and I am looking for one person each Sunday to speak about the importance of the Sunday's theme in your life. If the theme resonates with you, and you would be willing to share (about 5 minutes) about your experience during worship, I would like to hear from you. Please email me at [brian@mclureunitedchurch.org](mailto:brian@mclureunitedchurch.org) or at 306-373-1753.

DATE	LEADERSHIP	
May 26	Nurturing your Spirit through a practice of running, walking or cycling	If you are a committed to walking, jogging or cycling it would be good to hear how those activities enhance your life
June 9	Nurturing your Spirit through a practice of farming, gardening or raising plants and flowers	If you farm or have farmed, if you love gardening and growing vegetables or plants it would be good to hear of your relationship with the earth and its bounty
June 23	Nurturing your Spirit through camping, canoeing, or other adventuring activities	If you like to canoe or kayak, to camp in a tent or trailer home; or if you like to fish, ride horses or other activities it would be good to hear how you meet God in those settings
June 30	Nurturing your Spirit through holiday visiting, backyard barbecues, or reunions	If you enjoy summer days and nights for travelling to visit friends, or welcoming folks to your back yard, or gathering for reunions, it would be good to hear how you meet the spirit of God in the midst of summertime communities

# Community Events

Oliver Lodge Auxiliary Tea and Bake Sale Saturday, May 25 2:00-4:00  
 Oliver Lodge Bethel United Lounge (1405 Faulkner Cres)

Proceeds used to fund special equipment purchases and event which enhance the quality of Life of Oliver Lodge residence.

Joy of Vox Spring 2019 Concert **“Then and Now”**

Thursday, May 23 7:30-9:30PM

Friday, May 24 7:30-9:30 PM

Tickets are \$17.50 (all ages), and will be available through [www.joyofvox.com](http://www.joyofvox.com).

Hope to see you there!

MAYFAIR UNITED Thursday, May 30, 2019 at 6pm

UKRAINIAN SUPPER Catering by Touch of Ukraine

Join us for Supper and Silent Auction. Special entertainment by “Holosy”

This is a family event. Tickets: \$25 each, \$10 for Children 11 and under.

Call Debbie at 306-382-6446 or email [mayfairunitedchurch@gmail.com](mailto:mayfairunitedchurch@gmail.com)

All proceeds to support the mission and ministry of Mayfair United Church

