



FALL NEWSLETTER

OLDS SUNDRÉ PASTORAL CHARGE

OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA



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Olds United Church Mission Statement

We teach the ways of God and Jesus Christ through worship, programs, and music.

Olds' Vision Statement

A family of faith, spiritually motivated, welcoming and caring.

Sundre United Church Mission Statement

Believing - Caring - Sharing
We are a church family that welcomes all to join us on a spiritual journey with fellowship and relevant worship.

Sundre's Vision Statement

Sundre United Church is a community of believers who exist for the purpose of worshipping God, enjoying fellowship, and offering Christian outreach.

GREETINGS FRIENDS IN FAITH...

For 124 years, people have called Olds United their church home, and for 94 years, people have called Sundre United their church home. That's at least five generations of people, finding a sense of spiritual home in our churches!

Our mission and vision statements above, are important to who we are as people of faith. I believe we have unique gifts to offer the communities of Olds and Sundre, and that we play an important role in both communities.

We endeavour to live out the words of our mission and vision statements, not just on Sundays, but every day of the year. Our buildings offer space for so much. From regular worship and church events to meeting space for community groups: The Indigenous People's Day planning, Al-Anon, Guiding and Scouts, and more, we have much to offer. Add to that that both our churches offer safe, confidential pastoral care to people from all walks of life, and we encourage our members to live Christ's love beyond our doors.

Each year at this time, we strive to balance our budget and envision ministry to come. The fact is, our expenses, for both churches, have exceeded our income to the end of September. Both congregations have experienced unbudgeted expenses, related to the boiler systems, and costing approximately \$4,000.

Both congregations have been doing their best to steward their resources, however, both are expecting to end the year in the red. Our challenge is to decrease our anticipated shortfalls by year end, which would allow us to meet more ministry needs. If you feel that you have contributed all that you can, we are grateful for your generous gifts! If you are able to make an increase to your givings, or even a one-time extra something, that gift would be met with gratitude. Each gift, no matter the size, will help decrease that projected deficit.

As we enter the last quarter of 2018, I'd like to encourage you to include Olds and/or Sundre United Church in your giving plans. Together with the Leadership Teams of Olds and Sundre United, I am grateful for the support received for the life and work of this Pastoral Charge, and for the wider community beyond our doors, locally and globally, through givings to the Mission and Service of the United Church.

In this season of thanksgiving, I for one have witnessed many moments this year that have given me pause to stop and give thanks for this pastoral charge and the people I have the honour and privilege to serve. I give thanks regularly for the ministries we share, and for the many ways that you, the members of Olds-Sundre Pastoral Charge do your part to make our communities of faith what they are!

In gratitude and love,

Tammy



COMING EVENTS AT OLDS UNITED

- October 12** Ukrainian Supper at 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$15.00. Tickets are still available. There are also opportunities to help with this event. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex. This is a great evening of good food among good friends!
- November 3** Soups On! and Bake Sale - Come for a bowl of hot soup, buns and dessert and purchase some treats to take home!
- November 11 Remembrance Day**
No morning service in Olds – please join us for worship in Sundre at 1:30 pm.
- November 16** Anniversary Supper – every fall we enjoy a delicious pork roast dinner. Plan on attending, and watch for the sign-up sheet to volunteer to help!
- December 2** Olds Ministerial Carolfest – 6:00 pm – Olds United Church will be hosting again this year. Do you have some music or poetry to share? All are welcome!



COMING EVENTS AT SUNDRE UNITED

- November 11 Remembrance Day**
No morning service in Olds – Sundre will host for worship at 1:30 pm.
- December 2** Sundre Ministerial Carolfest - details to follow
- December 6** Sundre Community Choir Concert @ 7:00 pm.
- December 8** Sundre Community Choir Concert @ 2:00 pm.