



# Parkdale United Church



*We are an inclusive Christian community with a deep yearning for God  
and God's vision of equity, justice, and well-being for all.*

**WELCOMES YOU – January 22,**

## **2012**

In the heart of Calgary, we gather to worship God; open to the rhythm of life that surrounds us, eager to participate in the joys of life that uplift us, prepared to face the challenges of life that await us. May our openness to the ways of Jesus allow us to find peace and wholeness, this day and always. If you are new to Parkdale United, we especially welcome you, and encourage you to join us in building connections, living faith and acting for justice.

## **SPECIAL SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES**

**JANUARY 22** – Nursery Tales & Gospel Truth  
“Hansel & Gretel”

**JANUARY 29** – Faith & Justice; First Nations Awareness

**FEBRUARY 12** – Nursery Tales & Gospel Truth  
“The Ugly Duckling”

**MARCH 11** – Affirm Committee; Transgender Awareness

**MARCH 18** – Parkdale United 100<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary

## **PUC (CALGARY) FOUNDATION NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING...**

To comply with the Foundation bylaws, notice is hereby given that the seventeenth Annual General Meeting of the Parkdale United Church (Calgary) Foundation will be held in the sanctuary of Parkdale United Church on **Sunday, February 5, 2012**, immediately following the morning worship service. It is hoped that as many Foundation members as possible will attend as the bylaws require that at least twenty members be present to constitute a quorum.

At this time, the directors know of no special business to be brought before the meeting.

Any members or supporters of Parkdale United Church are welcome to attend, however, only members of the Foundation may vote on any business brought before the meeting. Any member of Parkdale United Church who would like to become a member of the Foundation, and who has not already done so, may obtain a membership application form in the Church office.

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS AT NARAMATA CENTRE...**

Summer Staff applications are now available online.

Applications are due **Feb. 17, 2012**. For more information about either of these opportunities please go to our website:

[www.naramatacentre.net](http://www.naramatacentre.net)

## **FLOWERS IN SANCTUARY...**

this Sunday are in memory of R. Douglas Hall from his wife Dorothy and family.

## **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING...**

for Parkdale United Church will be held in the auditorium on **Sunday, February 12, 2012** following the worship service. Everyone is encouraged to come for lunch followed by presentations and discussions on our 2011 Financial Report, 2012 Budget, Nominations Report, and Program Review. Child Care will be available. The Annual Report will be available for you to review on Sunday February 5. We are combining our "Financial" and "Program" AGMs this year. It will be a somewhat longer meeting, but you only need to attend one AGM this year!

## **COFFEE AND TOTS...**

We meet every 2nd Monday at 10:00 in the Conference Room. This is a time of informal visiting and play for the children. Next gatherings are **Jan. 23, Feb. 6 and 27**.

## **PARKDALE CHURCH CHOIR...**

no choir rehearsal on Thursday January 26th

## **LADIES LUNCH BUNCH...**

will meet on **Sunday, January 29th** after Church at the Village Park Inn. Underground parking now costs \$10.00, but outside on both sides of The Inn are free. All Ladies are welcome.

## **MOVIE NIGHT...**

A Sunday Night escape **Feb 05 at 6:30 pm**, in the Conference Room. Dessert, coffee, and discussion.

## **PARKDALE WOMEN'S BREAKFAST...**

Please join us on the second Monday morning each month, 8:15 am to 9:30 am, for breakfast and socializing at Cora's Restaurant, Northland Village Mall. Our next gathering is **Monday, February 6th**. For more information, please call Susan at 403 284-0017 or Sally at 403 289-0313. We hope to see you there.

## **KAIRO'S DAY 2012...**

The Leap with Chris Turner, how to survive and thrive in the sustainable economy. Being held at Varsity Acres Presbyterian Church, **Saturday, February 11th** 9am to 1pm. For more information and to register, phone Alison Longson 403-243-5478 or email [pwrdfcalgary@telus.net](mailto:pwrdfcalgary@telus.net)

## **NEW COMERS AT COFFEE TIME...**

Are you a new comer at Parkdale? Plan to join us for coffee - and take a blue mug - that way those of us, who are "old-timers" here, can welcome you, and introduce ourselves.

## **CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES...**

The 2012 Contribution envelopes are available to be picked up on the counter outside of the office. If there is not a box with your name on it, please take an unmarked box and write your name, address and the box number on the sheet provided.

## **KITCHEN CONVERSATIONS...**

is an informal time for a light dinner and conversation around our church kitchen table. We meet the third Wednesday of every month from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

### **PARKDALE JOURNAL GROUP...**

There is no way to do it wrong... Come to journal with a group at the church. We welcome new journeyers: for more information, please email Lynn Sloane at sloanelm@shaw.ca.

### **PARKDALE DROP IN BRIDGE...**

Parkdale drop in bridge takes place at 1 pm in the auditorium the first and third Monday of the month. We are a friendly group who enjoy each other's company and playing bridge. Expertise is not required, just a willingness to try and a desire to have an enjoyable afternoon. Come and join us.

### **PARKDALE UNITED INSPIRATIONAL CARDS...**

Some of our "Spiritual Reflections" - beautiful images and inspirational quotes - have been printed as cards. Cards are available from the church office, four for ten dollars. If you wish to receive the weekly "Spiritual Reflection" by email, please ask Ruth Jacques, to include you in the mailings

### **2011 TAX RECEIPTS...**

are available - please pick up your contribution receipt on your way out of church.

### **A FEW SPIRITUAL PRACTICES**

#### **PRAYER CANDLES...**

are located on the tables at the front of the sanctuary. You are invited to light a candle and say a prayer anytime before or during the worship service.

#### **CARING STONES...**

are symbols of God's presence in our lives and our commitment to act with faith, hope, and love. Take a Caring Stone for yourself or a loved one. Stones and cards explaining the blessings in this prayer practice are available on the Prayer Candle tables.

#### **LABYRINTH WALKING...**

is an old, old spiritual practice. It is a way of prayer, healing, seeking God, and discerning answers to life's questions. The Labyrinth is open to walk most days, and is located on the lower west level, below the sanctuary.

#### **HEALING TOUCH MINISTRY...**

Are you recovering from surgery or injuries, going through medical treatment, have pain, or experiencing grief or anxiety? Please visit the new PUC website for details on how the Healing Pathway Ministry can benefit you. The healing team is available to give treatments Sundays after church and the fourth Tuesday afternoon of the month. Appointments must be made by contact Jan Collins at (403)289-1771. Home and hospital visits are also available by special arrangements.

### **PARKDALE UNITED – 14 days...**

#### **SUNDAY JANUARY 22**

Conversations with the Text 9:30 am – Quiet Room  
Sunday Worship 10:30 am  
Healing Session 12 noon – Healing Room

#### **MONDAY JANUARY 23**

Coffee & Tots 10am – Conference Room

#### **TUESDAY JANUARY 24**

Healing Session 1:30pm – Quiet Room

#### **THURSDAY JANUARY 26**

No choir rehearsal

#### **SUNDAY JANUARY 29**

Conversations with the Text 9:30 am – Quiet Room  
Sunday Worship 10:30 am  
Healing Session 12 noon – Healing Room  
Women's Lunch Bunch 12 noon – Village Park Inn.

#### **WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 01**

PUC Council Meeting 7pm - Boardroom

#### **THURSDAY FEBRUARY 02**

Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm – Sanctuary

#### **SATURDAY FEBRUARY 04**

Men's Breakfast 8am – Village Park Inn

#### **SUNDAY FEBRUARY 05**

Conversations with the Text 9:30 am – Quiet Room  
Sunday Worship 10:30 am  
Healing Session 12 noon – Healing Room  
PUC Foundation meeting 11:30 am - Sanctuary  
Movie Night 6:30 pm – Conference Room

### **OUR MINISTRY TEAM**

**MINISTERS** – All members of the community  
**WORSHIP, CONGREGATIONAL CARE & DEVELOPMENT** – Rev. Dr. Murray Laverty  
**FAITH DEVELOPMENT** – Rev. Tammy Allan  
**MUSIC** – Antonina Cox  
**CHILDREN** – Eva Biederman  
**YOUTH** – Sarah Wright  
**FACILITIES** – Mike Hudec  
**OFFICE ADMINISTRATION** – Ruth Jacques

### **HELPING IN WORSHIP TODAY**

**GREETERS** – Bev Anderson & Barbara Clark  
**USHERS** – Kim & Jeff Campbell  
**SCREENS** – Beth & Jim Balshaw  
**SCRIPTURE READING** – Chet Marlett  
**SOUND** – Ted Moon  
**COFFEE** – Mary MacKenzie & Ken & Sally Coburn  
**KITCHEN MAINTENANCE** – Sally & Jim Dobbin, Hannah & Seamus