

Regional Rambler

Living Skies Regional Council
The United Church of Canada



December 4, 2024 – Events

“I don’t know who has done this. You did not tell me, and I heard about it only today.” Genesis 21:26

The **Regional Rambler** is our primary resource for sharing information across the Regional Council. To be added to the receiving list, please email Bev Diebert at bdiebert@united-church.ca

In this **EVENTS** edition of the Rambler, events are listed in order of occurrence. For easy identification: **Date/s of the event** are highlighted in green; **Registration deadlines** are highlighted in dark orange; Events included for the first time will have **NEW:** beside the title of the event. And, it’s hoped the **Into the future** section will help facilitate your long-term planning.

Check out the Community of Faith Calendar (on the Living Skies Regional Council website - 3rd option down under News & Events). [Click here to view it](#). Don’t miss the many fun and interesting upcoming seasonal events. **Communities of Faith**, be sure to **submit your events** to the calendar (use the form, 4th option down under News & Events), so folks don’t miss the festivities.

Online workshops from United in Learning are listed here. Lots to choose from. Have a look! The **United Church’s Edge Network** also offers online courses related to change and innovation. [See their courses here](#).

1. This month:

Strengthening Invitation | United in Prayer

Each **Thursday at 11am Central / 10am Mountain** the Growth Department prays for and with communities of faith in our shared ministry of Strengthening Invitation. This event is hosted primarily in English. Let us know how we can pray for your community of faith.

Join us on Zoom and pray for others. Register to join us [here](#). Send your prayer request to growth@united-church.ca (you can send a request even if you’re not attending)

Final Call - All you need to know about Faithful Footprints energy efficiency grants, December 6, online, 3:00PM CST. The Faithful Footprints Prairie Hub wants to give you money! These events are for United Church ministries interested in lowering carbon emissions and investing in energy efficiency and green energy projects in their faith spaces. These events will provide detailed information on how to apply for the grant, eligibility criteria, and tips for a successful application. Don't miss out on this opportunity to take the first step towards creating a more sustainable future! [Click here for December 6 registration](#).

Ministry Personnel Gatherings

Facilitated gatherings for all ministry personnel continue every **Tuesday at 1pm** on Zoom. Check the website calendar for [connection information](#) to join colleagues for conversation and support.

NEW: Funding for your Centennial events- deadline December 15 for this round

Some financial assistance is available from the United Church Foundation’s Centennial Granting Fund for 100th Anniversary events. Details for those applications are [available at this link](#), with a deadline of **December 15, 2024** (the next deadline for remaining funds would be **March 15, 2025**).

2. Next month:

NEW: Save the date!

The next Equipping the Saints gathering is happening on **Wednesday, January 15, at 1:00pm**.
Details and registration information to follow!

NEW: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, 18-25 January 2025.

An annual global ecumenical celebration. [All resources for Canada are here!](#)

3. Into the Future:

Living Skies Youth Confirmation 2025

Our YAYAC Team is currently making plans for our confirmation class that will be held as a one weekend retreat in **early 2025**. If you have youth grades 7-12 in your community of faith that might be interested in being confirmed, please let us know by emailing Rev. Lindsay Mohn at livingskiesyaya@united-church.ca as this will help us determine the location and timing of the event. We will also be looking for leaders and mentors for the class, so please prayerfully consider if you might be able to offer your time and presence!