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Hardening Time!







#### Garage Sale 2025!

I just want to take a moment to say thank you to the incredible volunteers who made this year's fundraiser not only possible, but truly meaningful, and so much fun!

Whether you helped organize, cook, clean, set up, take down, or simply shared your time and smile with everyone here—you have made a difference.

It's often said that volunteers are the backbone of any great mission. But I believe you are more than that—you are the heart. And this year, this church beat stronger because of you.

**Thank you** for **your generosity**, **your energy**, **your willingness**. Because of all the hard work we were able to raise over \$4069 for the Green Team. To break that down for you:

- Bake sale \$500
- Emma and Madison and their fantastic lemonade stand and home made bracelets \$190
- Special items table \$370
- Remainder garage sale

This year the left-over donations are going to help the JS Mc Cormick School in their fundraising efforts to build 4 new playgrounds. As well as the Lacombe Food Bank Thrift store.

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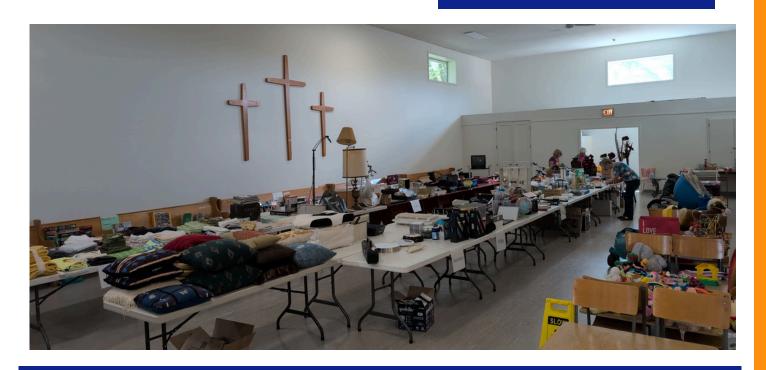








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#### **Woodland Sanctuary**

Inviting all supporters of the **Woodland Sanctuary** 100th anniversary project on June 6 at noon to witness the planting of the first tree, a balsam poplar in a place of honor in the large gathering circle depicted to the right. We hope that 7 special guests including Mayor Creasey will join us with golden shovels to plant the "Elder" Tree.

On May 13, Cynthia and Joanna of Living Lands Landscape + Design began marking the path through the sanctuary, the three open areas, and the places for the 80 trees and 75 shrubs. Also for the 6 boulders that the County of Lacombe graciously donated and hauled to the site, and then to be put in place by Hans Haefliger. After the planting on June 6-7, the flags will be reused to mark the places for the 600+ native plants to be planted June 20-21. The volunteer schedule is nearly full!

With grants of \$2500 from the Centennial Grant Fund within the UCC Foundation and \$2500 from the Lacombe Community Builder Partnership Fund, the gift of \$3010 from the St. Andrew's Legacy Fund, over \$4000 from the garage sale, and generous donations from the congregation and community of some \$26,000 to date, we areable to pay for the all the plant material, the landscape designer fees, and an identity sign. What remains to do is habitat structures like split rail fence sections, snags, and puddling areas; 3 benches and more signage. We are applying for two more grants.

On June 21, at 4 pm, come to celebrate the completion of the planting and dedicate the legacy Woodland Sanctuary as a place of healing, hope, beauty, and inspiration; a living classroom, and an example of urban forest restoration.

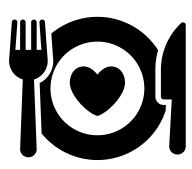
Green Team



#### **MAY, 2025**



#### **Meals On Wheels**



St. Andrew's provides volunteers for FCSS Meals on Wheels for the month of July. Ko and Doug will be meeting shortly with FCSS to obtain any updated information for 2025.

In June, volunteers that have helped previously will be contacted to discuss July opportunities to deliver meals.

We are also looking for new volunteers for this year. If you would like to assist, please call Doug at 403 318-5733.

## Contact Information

Please take a moment to update your Contact Information!

Please update your contact information with the office. Forms are available at the church as well as online. This information can be dropped off at the office or emailed to: office@lacombeunitedchurch.ca



E-Transfers: Please send e-transfers to: finance@lacombeunitedchurch.ca

- Please include the following information:
- Name
- Email
- Phone #
- Fund to which the money is to go











For more information and to register your child(ren) please contact St. Andrew's church (403) 782-3148 office@lacombeunitedchurch.ca