

Memorial Presbyterian Church

April 2026 Newsletter

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Considering the wars going on in the world that we can do little about, and the political divisions that surround us, it is good to be reminded of what we can do to maintain peace within and around us.

-Rev. Lyn

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi (Prayer for Peace)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.



It's early, but that's good news! This year's slide shows for Mothers and Fathers Days will be honoring those who came before us! Send us your old, old, old photos of your parents, grandparents, great grandparents. Send them in to sylvanpresbyterian@gmail.com. If you have any problems emailing them, see Robyn in the office or check with Anna.



Easter Sunrise Service

Sylvan Lake Pier

6:30 a.m. April 5, 2026

Everyone Welcome

Come and bring a friend

Memorial Presbyterian Church 2026 income vs expenses

Month	Offerings	Other Income	Total Income	Expenses	NET Income (Loss)
January	9,980.75	35,590.78	45,571.53	13,581.98	31,989.55
February	9,918.06	2,253.84	12,171.90	12,990.45	-818.55
YTD TOTAL	19,898.81	37,844.62	57,743.43	26,572.43	31,171.00



April Scripture Readers

Apr. 5: Cheri Kay

Apr. 12: Deb Parry

Apr. 19: Deb Currie

Apr. 26: Bunny Virtue



April Duty Elder

Anna Olive

April Greeters

Apr. 5: Wendy G, Judy C, Rhonda W

Apr. 12: Ron & Arlene F, Diane P

Apr. 19: Darlene & Val L, Anna O

Apr. 26: Wayne & Lorna T, Klara B

Ladies Guild News

Regular Guild meeting will be held on

April 13th @ 1:00pm

We are having a guest speaker

Deb Carlson-McNaughton

From Rotary International club (Uganda villagers)

All ladies are welcome to attend.



Community Supper

Theme: Easter

April 15th from 5-7 pm

Everyone is welcome to attend

Ham & Scalloped Potatoes/Dessert





**Newsletter Sponsor for April
is Diane Powell
In loving memory of
Family Birthdays**



Important Dates to Remember

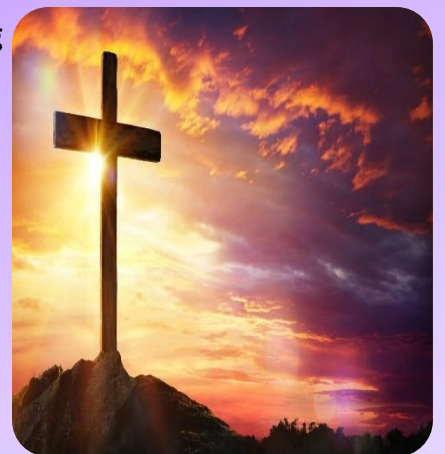
Good Friday April 3rd gather in front of Town Hall Municipal Building @ 9:30 am if you would like to be part of the Walk of the Cross.

Good Friday Service April 3rd @ Alliance Church at 11 am.

Easter Sunrise Service April 5th @ 6:30 am at the Sylvan Lake Pier.

**Easter Sunday April 5th regular service @ 10:30 am.
All are welcome.**

Sunday April 12th is Birthday Cake Sunday after service.



LOCAL CHURCH HELPS MAKE THEATRE & EDUCATION HAPPEN!

The arts community sends out a HUGE THANK YOU to the **Memorial Presbyterian Church** for their ongoing support of Sylvan Lake Theatre's live events and school programs.

Who is Sylvan Lake Theatre? SLT is a year-round theatre company blending live events with training opportunities. It is a non-profit society with a volunteer board and over 50 members that help out during events around town. The *Sylvan Lake Theatre School* offers storytelling, playwriting and acting opportunities for ages 16+ as well as runs two summer drama camps for ages 8-14. Famous for its award-winning *Theatre Trail*, the company also presents regular theatre productions, musicals, dinner theatre, theatre for young audiences and short-play festivals. It draws audiences from across the province and beyond, the company has sold out every event as well as packed its classes since it started in 2022.

The relationship between the theatre and church began in the summer of 2023 when the church kitchen was turned into a one of four performance venues for the Theatre Trail. It took 16 performances over two weekends to fit all 300 people into the kitchen but once there they were treated to a staged puppet cooking show. Puppets cooking puppets! There were even commercials! Here is a picture of Tobias and Layne Zazalak (the puppeteer). Layne was thrilled to be back in the church where he grew up. He is currently a performer and writer working with theatres around Alberta.



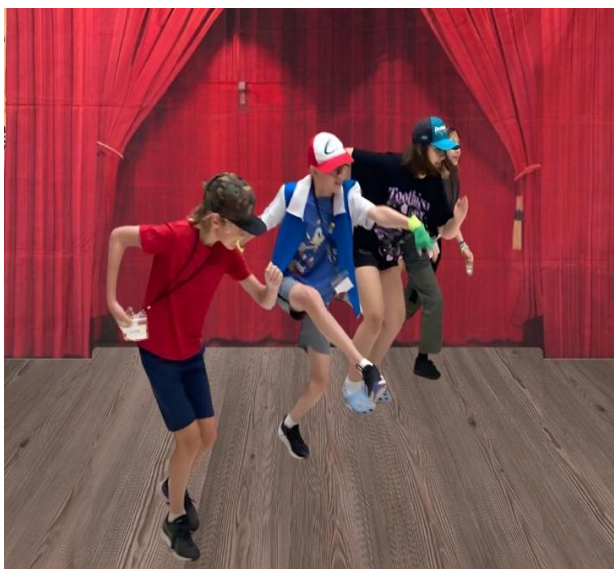
Sylvan Lake Theatre (SLT) has produced many shows and shared many stories about the town, the majority of them created by local artists. Memorial Presbyterian Church has been referenced in a few of the plays and stories on the trail in the past four years. When it is available the church has graciously stepped in to provide much needed space for rehearsals as well as workshops provided to playwrights and storytellers. The arts community is very grateful and lucky!!

ACKNOWLEDGING MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

As we look forward to our 5th Theatre Season we wanted to share how we publicly thank the Memorial Presbyterian Church, an annual and cherished sponsor of the Theatre and we will continue to do so. The church is so deserving of acknowledgement for its ongoing contribution to the community, a goal shared by all of us.



Storyteller at Memorial Park



Summer Drama Camp for Creative Kids

We thank the Church and proudly display the church logo in our marketing materials, and lobby billboards. At events we invite audiences to applaud those who support us including the town of Sylvan Lake, local businesses, service clubs, the Memorial Presbyterian Church and other generous sponsors who have helped sustain Sylvan Lake's commitment to connection and culture locally. Media releases to the Sylvan Lake News honour our sponsors and display their logos in a *Thank You* advertisement. Our online programs and Sponsor webpages also list the many businesses and services that enable the theatre to serve the community.

April 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 AA Mtg 10 am Bible Study 1 pm Quilter's Mtg 7-9	2 Guides 630-9 Choir 7 pm Sanc	3 Good Friday Service @ Alliance Church 11am	4
5 Easter Sunrise Service 630 AM Session Al-Anon 7-9	6	7 Guides 630-9	8 AA Mtg 10am Bible Study 1pm Session 630 pm	9 Guides 630-9 Choir 7 pm Sanc	10	11 Quilter's 9-3 YH
12 Rev Lyn Lamers Al-Anon 7-9 Birthday Cake Sunday	13 Tai Chi 930-12 YH Guild Meeting 1 pm	14 Guides 630-9	15 AA Mtg 10am Bible Study 1pm Community Supper 5-7 YH	16 Board 930 Guides 630-9 Choir 7 pm Sanc	17	18 Grandparents Circle 1-3
19 Sylvia Kennedy Al-Anon 7-9	20 Tai Chi 930-12 YH	21 Guides 630-9	22 AA Mtg 10am Bible Study 1pm	23 Guides 630-9 Choir 7 pm Sanc	24	25 Men's Prayer Breakfast 830 am
26 Shannon Finley Al-Anon 7-9	27 Tai Chi 930-12 YH	28 Quilter's 9-3 YH Guides 630-9	29 AA Mtg 10am Bible Study 1pm	30 Guides 630-9 Choir 7 pm Sanc	1	2
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