



**Memorial Presbyterian  
Church  
May 2026 Newsletter  
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**Greetings All,**

Believe it or not, it has been spring here in Alberta since March 20th, but who could know it?? Our weather keeps changing from day to day. Do I put my winter clothes away because it's 16 degrees today? Wait, -- not yet. It will be minus 9 tomorrow afternoon, but then 12 degrees next day, and on it goes. As Albertans we know how quickly our weather can change, nothing new, but the severity and extent of the changes this year seem to be just a little harsher than usual.

The fact is that one of the only things that we can count on in life is change, no matter how much we want to resist it.

There is another fact, however, that we can **always** count on, and that is the fact that God, and God's love for us never changes.

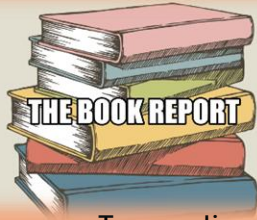
**Psalm 102:11-12 says: My days are like an evening shadow;  
I wither away like grass.  
But you, O Lord, are enthroned forever.**

So as the weather changes, and we change with age, and all things around us change, (it seems faster and faster,) we can **always** count on God never changing and always being beside us. Praise be to God!

**Blessings to you all.**

**Rev. Lyn**





## **Tourmaline by John Henderson**

### **A book report by Gerald Bystrom**

Tourmaline is basically an adventure story with many complexities, twists and turns.

It is also a story of faith which causes discomfort to some readers, hence its place in the church library.

The book has two protagonists, Anne Dryden and Jake McIntyre. Antagonists include a host of terrorist groups, each tending to be more violent and extreme than the last. The jacket of the book summarizes the plot quite well, it says “a man snaps a photograph and suddenly becomes an international fugitive, a woman captured by terrorist relies on her faith in God to sustain her, their future depends on finding each other quickly. I encourage you to read this book, both for its strong story and for its theme of faith.

## **The Rose**

It is only a tiny rosebud,  
A flower of God's design,  
But I cannot unfold the petals  
With these clumsy hands of mine.

So I'll trust Him for His leading  
Each moment of every day  
And I'll look to Him for His  
guidance  
Each step of the pilgrim way.

The secret of unfolding flowers  
Is not known to such as I,  
The flower God opens so sweetly,  
In my hands would fade and die.

For the pathway that lies before me  
My heavenly Father knows  
I'll trust him to unfold the moments  
Just as He unfolds the rose.

I cannot unfold a rosebud,  
This flower of God's design,  
Then how can I have wisdom  
To unfold this life of mine?



**May Newsletter Sponsor is Lynn Bergen**

**This lovely poem is dedicated to all the  
Gardeners and the blessings of Spring**

## COMMUNITY SUPPER BBQ WIND UP

**SO, BUZZ ON IN AND JOIN US**

**MAY 20<sup>th</sup> FROM 5-7 PM**

**SMOKIES, HOTDOGS, POTATO SALAD ETC.**

**DESSERT; SUNDAES**



**On behalf of the church community supper team, Lynn Bergen and Lorna Thomas, would first like to say THANK YOU to all of our special volunteers for all your hard work, from prepping food to clean up crew.**

**Your faithfulness inspires us every month, but seeing you rally for the outreach is a blessing.**

**To all our GUESTS that join us for supper THANK YOU. Without your support this would not be possible.**

**Both of us feel overwhelmed with blessing, and feel and see Gods love with every one of you.**

**Have a safe and fun summer. See you when we start up again September 26, 2026.**

## LADIES GUILD

**Ladies Guild Regular meeting will be held MAY 4<sup>th</sup>  
@ 1:00 pm in Yoos Hall.**

**May 24 the Guild will be having our annual Pie & Bake sale.**

**It will be held in the Yoos Hall right after the service, during coffee time.**

**If you would like to bake something for the bake table, we will accept it on the morning of May 24<sup>th</sup> before service starts.**

**Please (NO COOKIES).**

**Cookies are for a later date.**

**The 2026-2027 executive is as follows:**

**Chairperson: Lorna Thomas**

**Secretary: Helen Anne Homenuk**

**Treasurer: Sharon Graham**

**Chairperson  
Lorna Thomas**



**Happy Mother's Day**

**The LORD is my strength and my song,**

**He has given me victory**



**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
March	13,010.66	2,156.97	15,167.63	13,841.66	1,325.97
<b>YTD TOTAL</b>	<b>32,909.47</b>	<b>40,001.59</b>	<b>72,911.06</b>	<b>40,414.09</b>	<b>32,496.97</b>

**May Scripture Readers**

- May 3: Deb Parry
- May 10: Barb Cooney
- May 17: Cheri Kay
- May 24: Dolce' Moir
- May 31: Deb Currie

**May Duty Elder**

Diane Powell

**May Greeters**

- May 3: Brian/Judy L/Gina L
- May 10: Mike/Pam M/Lynn B
- May 17: Pete/Dolce M/Deb C
- May 24: Anson/Patty G/Teresa V
- May 31: Helen Anne H/Debbie H  
Myra C



# May 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
Rev Lyn Lamers AI-Anon 7-9 <b>Communion</b>	Tai Chi 930-12 YH	Guides 630-9	<b>AA Mtg 10am</b> <b>Bible Study 1pm</b> <b>Quilter's Mtg 7-9</b>	<b>Guides 630-9 LD</b> <b>Choir 7 pm Sanc</b>		<b>Search Comm</b> <b>YH All Day</b>
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rev Lyn Lamers AI-Anon 7-9	Tai Chi 930-12 YH	<b>Guides 630-9</b> <b>Sparks LD</b> <b>Embers done</b>	<b>AA Mtg 10am</b> <b>Bible Study 1pm</b>	<b>Path/Rangers CR</b> <b>Choir 7 pm Sanc</b>		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Sylvia Kennedy AI-Anon 7-9			<b>AA Mtg 10am</b> <b>Bible Study 1pm</b> <b>Comm Supper</b> <b>Wind Up</b>	<b>Board 930 am</b> <b>Path/Rangers CR</b> <b>Choir 7 pm Sanc</b>		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Rev Lyn Lamers AI-Anon 7-9 <b>Pie &amp; Bake Sale</b>	Tai Chi 930-12 YH	<b>Quilter's 9-3 YH</b>	<b>AA Mtg 10am</b> <b>Bible Study 1pm</b>	<b>Path/Rangers LD</b> <b>Choir 7 pm Sanc</b>		<b>Grandparents</b> <b>Circle 1-3</b>
31	1					
Rev Charlie AI-Anon 7-9 <b>Bethany 2pm</b>						