

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 3, 2022 Sunday Service | 11:15 am

306-761-0556 | eastsideunited@sasktel.net Eastsideunited.ca | **Join us on Zoom here!** Like us on Facebook (Eastside United Church) Follow us on Twitter! @eastside_united



Welcome to Eastside United. May our opportunities of ministry offer you rest, challenge and peace on your Christian journey.

Minister: Hazel Arbon Pianist: Hyunju Park

Greeting: Ernie Poirer and Greg Thomas **Congregational Care Greeter:** Barb Rio

Lenten Liturgy: Carol Hein

Prayers of the People: Lori Latta **Zoom Support:** Brian Mitchell-Walker

Tech Support: Brayden Barrett **PowerPoint:** Michelle Dickie

Communion: Carol Hein and Barb Rio

For thousands of years, Indigenous people have walked in this land. As we gather for worship this morning, we acknowledge that we are gathered in the traditional territory of the Saulteaux, Cree, Dakota, Lakota, & Nakota First Nations and the traditional lands of the Metis, now defined as Treaty 4, and we acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages. We recognize this statement in itself is not reconciliation work - this stand-alone acknowledgment must be accompanied by multiple acts that continue to deepen our understanding of the connections between Indigenous peoples and the lands on which we are joined through the course of history and through treaty signing.

Sunday Scripture: John 12:1-8

Hymns:

Be Still and Know – MV#77 x2

I Will Sing to Our God – Words by Walter Farquharson and Music by Richard Hall
O Beautiful Gaia – MV#41

Grateful – MV#182

Our Hearts that Beat in Tune – MV#37

O For a World – VU#697

For the Healing of Nations – VU#678

Don't Be Afraid – MV#90

Eastside United welcomes all people to discern and engage in Christ's mission in a nurturing, inclusive, and dynamic Christian community. Our vision and values include: diversity, integrity, spiritual growth, stewardship, nurturing settings, social justice, joy, and celebration. At Eastside, the people here are our leaders. We seek to offer all the welcome of Jesus, the Blessing of unconditional love that knows no barriers. Share an idea for ministry! If it fits our vision statements, mission, and bedrock beliefs, we will work to make it happen. We welcome everyone as we are an Affirming Ministry. No matter your appearance, age, gender, sexual orientation, family configuration, or economic circumstance. We welcome all who represent God's goodness. If the words of Worship do not fit your theology, faith, or language, please feel free to change them.

Last week's attendance: Offering: \$7597.63 (not incl. PAR)

N/AJanuary 1-22, 2022
Weekly budget: **\$3290**

Office Hours and More:

 Russell's Hours: Russell's hours are in the office Tuesday – Thursday and working from home Friday. Coffee shop office hours will resume at Second Cup on Quance, April 6, 2:30-4:30pm

- **LSC Office Hours**: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursdays, 9:30 am 3:30 pm. You can reach our office by email: eastsideunited@sasktel.net.
- Prayer Services: Tuesday at noon, Wednesday at 8:45am, Thursday at 4pm. Services will resume IN PERSON and online April 5.
- Becca's office hours have changed. She will be available at the LSC office from Monday-Thursday from 8 am - 11 am.
- **Sermons** can be found online under "Worship" on our website.
- For prayer concerns, contact Russell to be added to our prayer chain.

COVID Protocols: We thank you for helping us keep our community safe as we continue to monitor the pandemic.

- Masks will continue to be required.
- Being fully vaccinated is heavily recommended for in-person attendance to support those who cannot be vaccinated.
- Please continue to practice physical distancing.
- Do not attend service if you have any COVID symptoms. If you test positive within two weeks of attending in person, please let our office know.

Worship will also be happening in person and <u>here</u> on Zoom! You can also call into the Zoom session on the phone with audio only by calling 1-587-328-1099 or 1-204-515-1268. If you have trouble with sound on your computer, you can also call in with these numbers while watching on zoom.

Did you miss the announcements at last Sunday's worship service? Printed announcements are saved on the Eastside website each week - check them out at www.eastsideunited.ca under the What's New heading!

Financial update for December: If you would like to view Eastside's November financial statement, please click here. If you would like to sign up for regular giving through PAR, please contact Becca. We also accept e-transfer which can be sent to eastsideunited@sasktel.net.

PAR and M & S Donations: If you would like to add or increase PAR and/or M&S offerings, please contact Becca and she will help you get set up or make changes. Email eastsideunited@sasktel.net to let Becca know what changes you would like to make, and he will submit the changes for processing.

T-Shirts are still available – send our office an email if you would like to know what sizes and colours are available. They cost \$30 a piece.

We are continuing the A Work of Art, Culture, and Its Story during worship! If you have a piece of work or cultural item that has a story or holds spiritual meaning for you and would like to share on Sunday during worship, please let Russell know.

Text In Church: If you would like to receive text notifications about special services and events at Eastside, text the word 'Loop' to 306-517-6797.



Please share your favourite hymns with us! Let us know by filling out this Google Form here.

Eastside Events and Programs

Meditation Schedule: Meditation has continues online! Click here to join at 7 pm on Mondays.

Do you want to be a part of the LSC Messy Church Community? Follow our new Facebook page!

A new Craft/Study session will begin after Easter. If you are interested in reading "My Grandmother's Hands," please let our office know.

catch a glimpse of





arts, faith, justice, and creation July 15-17 2022 Five Oaks, Paris Ontario

Nurturing a narrative of hope, joy and transformation

Join us at the Skylight Festival where you can connect with diverse communities, collectively exploring faith through the lens of the arts, nature, peace and justice. The festival is spiritually grounded, promotes inclusivity and diversity, fair trade and environmental sustainability, social justice and peace. Together, creatively and with a spirit of celebration, we seek inspiration, transformative hope and a lingering narrative of joy!

This summer you'll experience a hybrid of scheduled performances and workshops along with open space village contributions (see below).

CONTRIBUTORS INCLUDE:

- ☆ Brian McLaren, theologian and pastor
- ☆ Martha Chaves, comedian and social justice advocate
- ☆ Kate Reid, queer singer-songwriter, activist
- ☆ Mama D, Indigenous singer-songwriter
- ☆ Matt Epp, singer-songwriter committed to social justice
- ☆ Theatre of the Beat, Performance artist troupe,
- ☆ Erik Mohr, singer-songwriter
- ☆ Forest Church, connecting with the Divine Spirit in the natural world
- ☆ Nell Walker, pleasure coach, teaching about healing and caring for yourself.

NEW IN 2022: VILLAGES!

This year, we encourage you to bring your village to Skylight (aka your community/family/ organization/etc. ...). We're happy to provide you a small plot of land for the weekend for your village to gather or connect throughout the day. If your village is interested in contributing a performance, workshop, panel, forum, etc. as part of the open space program, talk to the Skylight Program Team to find out how. Not only do you get to participate in a great festival, you can bring that shared experience home with you, continuing to nurture your village after the music fades.

DEETS:

- ☆ Registration: open ~March 2022
- ☆ Cost: \$20/person/day, \$50/weekend additional donations encouraged if able
- Accommodations: tenting sites or indoor rooms available through Five Oaks (\$20/tent/day)
- Food will be available on site but you can also bring your own

skylightfestival.ca







Outreach

Glen Elm School is taking food donations! If you would like to drop off food donations, you can do so during office hours, or leave non-refrigerated items in the blue-bin at the LSC office administration entrance.

Regina Food for Learning is looking for an upright freezer. If you know of someone who would like to donate one, please have them call 306-565-8632. If you would like to make a donation to Regina Food for Learning, they can be sent via mail to:

P.O. BOX 3524 Regina SK S4S 3J8.

Regina Food for Learning (RFFL) is a non-profit that partners with the community to provide nourishing food to children in schools. We are the largest child feeding program in the city, providing services to Regina schools and neighbourhoods since 1988.

The Indigenous Christian Fellowship is looking for people on Fridays to make 90 lunches onsite. If you can help out, contact <u>Doug Scheurwater</u> and indicate which Friday(s) you are available. ICF is also looking for people to help bake cookies and muffins. Supplies are provided.

From the Living Skies Region

Reflections on racism The International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination was this past Monday, commemorating the 1960 Sharpeville Massacre of over 180 people in apartheid South Africa. The national church's Round the Table blog offers personal reflections from church members on social justice and intercultural themes all year long, and this week focuses on the impact of racism. All of these can be used from the pulpit, on social media, and more.

National Statement for Peace in Ukraine and Donations Link - The invasion of Ukraine is costing precious lives and creating a humanitarian crisis as people flee to safety. The United Church has joined with partners who witness and work for peace and justice in the world, by issuing a statement condemning the invasion of Ukraine. You can see the statement and other information here, and find a link here to make a donation to support United Church Mission & Service partners responding to rapidly emerging needs. We add our prayers of concern and support for the people of Ukraine, and for their families and friends here and throughout the world.

Looking at Guaranteed Livable Income through the window of Lent - Lent is the season for truth-telling and repentance. It calls us to deep reflection on how we might address the persistent inequities in our country. Since 1972, The United Church of Canada has advocated a policy of guaranteed annual income that is more equitable and effective than existing government support programs. In a new guide available here, resource people from Pacific Mountain Regional Council offer ideas for Lenten liturgies, prayers, study groups or outreach committees. Each segment contains a suggested scripture, hymn ideas, a reflection or implication for GLI advocacy, and an action idea. The guide also includes action suggestions.



April's Gratitude Image from Maureen Hughes

Thank you for your generosity!

Donating to Eastside couldn't be easier with our range of options:

- Sign up for PAR with Becca at the office! Completing a simple form can get you signed up for easy automatic monthly remittances!
- Send in your cheque or cash offering by mail
- We accept e-transfers! Send your offering to our email address: eastsideunitedesasktel.net
- We also have options online with CanadaHelps, through our website, or by using the offering plate on Sundays.

April ...at a glance

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Hybrid Worship 11:15 am Communion Service led by Hazel Arbon	4 Mediation 7pm	5 Prayer Service 12pm	Prayer Service 8:45am Coffee Shop Office Hours 2:30-4:30 pm	7 Prayer Service 4:00pm	8	9
10 Hybrid Worship 11:15 am Palm Sunday	11 Mediation 7pm	12 Gratitude Tean 10:30am Prayer Service 12pm	Prayer Service 8:45am Coffee Shop Office Hours 2:30-4:30 pm	14 Prayer Service 4:00pm Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm	15 Good Friday Service 11:00 am	16
17 Easter Sunday Sunrise Service at 8:00 am Hybrid Worship 11:15 am	18 Easter Monday	19	Prayer Service 8:45am Coffee Shop Office Hours 2:30-4:30 pm Faith Formation 6:30pm	Prayer Service 4:00pm Community Dinner 6pm	22	23
24 Hybrid Worship 11:15 am	25	26 Prayer Service 12pm	Prayer Service 8:45am Coffee Shop Office Hours 2:30-4:30 pm	28 Prayer Service 4:00pm	29 Film and Faith 7:00pm	30