

# October/November

## ...at a glance

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<b>24</b> Hybrid In-Person Worship 11:15 am Baptism	<b>25</b> Meditation Online 7pm	<b>26</b> Prayer Service Online 12pm Courageous Church 7pm	<b>27</b> Prayer Service Online 8:30am Zoom Office Hours 2-4:30 pm	<b>28</b> Prayer Service Online 4pm Craft/Study 1:30pm	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> Hybrid In-Person Halloween Worship 11:15 am Happy Halloween! Dress Up! 	<b>1</b> Meditation Online 7pm	<b>2</b> Prayer Service Online 12pm Courageous Church 7pm	<b>3</b> Prayer Service Online 8:30am Zoom Office Hours 2-4:30 pm	<b>4</b> Prayer Service Online 4pm Craft/Study 1:30pm	<b>5</b> <b>6</b> Russell away for Skylight Meeting	
<b>7</b> Russell away Hybrid In-Person Worship Communion 11:15 am	<b>8</b> Meditation Online 7pm	<b>9</b> Gratitude Team 10:30am Prayer Service Online 12pm	<b>10</b> Prayer Service Online 8:30am Zoom Office Hours 2-4:30 pm	<b>11</b> Remembrance Day 	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Hybrid In-Person Worship 11:15 am	<b>15</b> Meditation Online 7pm	<b>16</b> Prayer Service Online 12pm	<b>17</b> Prayer Service Online 8:30am Zoom Office Hours 2-4:30 pm Faith Formation 6:30pm	<b>18</b> Prayer Service Online 4pm Craft/Study 1:30pm Community Dinner 6pm	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 24, 2021



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

**Minister:** Russell Mitchell-Walker

**Pianist:** Hyun Ju Park (Live)

**Tech Support:** Brayden Barrett

**Greeting:** Dale Banks, Stephannie Banks

**COVID Protocol:** Diane Dopko & Bonny Manz

**PowerPoint:** Michelle Dickie

**Congregational Care Greeter:** Elaine Hill

**Zoom Host:** Brian Mitchell-Walker

**Facebook Live Host:** Stephannie Banks

**Today is Stewardship Sunday!**

**Service will be featuring a Baptism, please join us in celebrating the Baptism of Benjamin, son of Mackenzie and Stephan Serak.**

**Sunday Scripture:** 1 Samuel 22:1-5 and Matthew 4:18-22

**Hymns:**

Come You Thankful People – VU#516 vs 1

Come Let Us Sing – VU#222 vs 1, 3, 4

I Can Feel You Near Me, God – MV#48

Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore – VU#563 vs 1, 2, 3

Now Thank We All Our God – VU#236 vs 1

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying – VU#400

Take My Life – VU#506 vs. 1, 3, 5

God Help Us to Treasure – MV#147 vs 1

Last week's in-person attendance: **29**

Last week's online attendance: **31**

Offering: **\$1762.20** (not incl. PAR)

Sept. 1-15

Weekly budget: **\$3167**

### Office Hours and More:

- **Russell's Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Russell's e-mail address: [russell.eastside@gmail.com](mailto:russell.eastside@gmail.com).
- **Zoom Office Hours:** Wednesdays from 2 – 4:30 online.
- **In-Home Visits:** Please let us know if you would like to have an in person visit, especially if you have been isolated or alone during the Pandemic. More information is available below.
- **Church Office Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursdays, 9 am – 3 pm. You can reach our office by email: [eastsideunited@sasktel.net](mailto:eastsideunited@sasktel.net).
- **Prayer Services:** Tuesday at noon, Wednesday at 8:15am, Thursday at 4pm online and in person.



**COVID Protocols:** We thank you for helping us keep our community safe as we continue to monitor the pandemic. This practice and policy is consistent with the recommendations of the Living Skies Regional Council and the United Church of Canada, and done in a manner that is meaningful for our community

and is safe for every member of our congregation. If you have questions or feedback, please let Sarah Tkachuk know.



## In-Person Worship Details

- We will be holding in-person services – you are welcome to attend if you feel comfortable doing so!
- **If you are planning to attend in-person services:**
  - We are required to wear masks and practice social distancing at the LSC.
  - We ask that adults only attend if you are fully vaccinated. We hope this will make our services more accessible to those who are ineligible to receive a vaccine (immuno-compromised, children under 12, etc.). Those who are ineligible may attend without being vaccinated.
  - Please do not attend in-person services if you are experiencing any COVID-like symptoms, or have possibly been in contact with someone who has COVID.
- **Please notify our office if you have tested positive for COVID-19 and have attended our in-person services within the last two weeks of your positive result.**
- If you are not yet vaccinated, we invite you to join us online via Zoom or Facebook Live.
- Please let us know if you would be able to assist as a volunteer on Sundays as we will need help with ensuring that pandemic protocols are followed.



## Eastside Announcements

**Worship will also be happening here on Zoom as an online option!** 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. You may also join us on Facebook Live via our Page.

**The Gratitude Team has launched the 2021 Stewardship Campaign!**

**If packages were not picked up by October 17<sup>th</sup>, the Gratitude Team members will deliver them by hand.**

**Please read the information in the package and return your Response Card by November 7, 2021.**

### **We still need your support as our ministry continues!**

We are presently behind in our revenues, both budget and with regard to expenses. Making your offering online couldn't be easier on our website! Additionally, offerings can be mailed to Eastside at:

**Eastside United Church  
3018 Doan Drive  
Regina, SK S4V 1M1**

Or, if you do want to drop off an offering in person, please leave offerings in the mailbox at the office door (mail is checked Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday). You can also send e-transfers to our email: [eastsideunited@sasktel.net](mailto:eastsideunited@sasktel.net).

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**Financial update for September:** If you would like to view Eastside's September financial statement, please [click here](#). Eastside has experienced shortfalls in our envelope giving this quarter. We appreciate all of those who give to Eastside and are thankful to all of our givers! 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](mailto: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](mailto:eastsideunited@sasktel.net) to let Becca know what changes you would like to make, and he will submit the changes for processing.

**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.

**Sunday School with Eastside will be resuming!** We will be resuming Sunday School November 14, online following the church service weekly. If you have any questions, please contact Leanne Sudom at 306-924-0055 or email [leanne.sudom@gmail.com](mailto:leanne.sudom@gmail.com).



Once we return to larger in-person services, we will be in need of more offering counting volunteers! Please let the office know if you can assist us with counting!

**COVID Vaccine Fact Sheet:** We are all encouraged to get vaccinated, to protect ourselves and others, and to return to a new normal. Download the fact sheet [here](#), and check out Saskatchewan's vaccination plan. Remember that once vaccinated you can still be a carrier of the virus so masks and distancing practices are recommended when out in public.

**Are you looking for more information about proof of vaccination in Saskatchewan?** We have compiled a list of useful links:

- [Information about VaxWalletVerification](#)
- [Registering for your MySaskHealthRecord Account](#)
- [More links about vaccine verification from Sask eHealth](#)

**Eastside T-Shirts:** T-shirts can be picked up during LSC office hours. If you did not order but are interested in purchasing one, email Becca to see what colour and sizes are available. \$30/each.



**Cloth Masks:** It is a good idea to double mask when we are out in public, especially indoors. If you would like a cloth mask, please contact or drop into the office as we still have some in the bin.

**Were you unable to attend worship in the past?** You can find a video recording of past services online. Visit our website [HERE](#) to find uploaded videos of service. After we stopped recording on Zoom they can also be found on our Facebook page.



Please share your favourite hymns with us! Let us know by filling out this Google Form [HERE](#).



**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.

**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](http://www.eastsideunited.ca) under the **What's New** heading!



Eastside will be having an online auction near Christmas-time! Perhaps you would like to donate something, an item, talent, a craft or some baking. If you are interested in providing a donation, please contact Maureen Hughes or send her a picture of the donated item/talent, a description, and starting bid: nmhughes58@gmail.com



## Eastside Programming

**Meditation Schedule:** Meditation has resumed online! [Click here](#) to join at 7 pm on Mondays.

Craft/Study will be resuming in the fall on September 16! Sessions will be on Thursdays at 1:30 online.



The book for these sessions will be See No Stranger by Valarie Kaur. If you would like a book, please let Becca know.

### Reading Schedule:

September 16 ~ Chapter 1

September 23 ~ Chapter 2

September 30 ~ No C/S, office closed for National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

October 7 ~ Chapter 3

October 14 ~ Chapter 4

October 21 ~ Chapter 5

November 4 ~ Chapter 6

November 11~ Chapter 7

November 18 ~ Chapter 8

November 25 ~ Chapter 9 and Epilogue

**Russell is planning to offer in-home visits.** If you would like to plan a visit, please let Russell know. We would ask that those who are comfortable having in-home visits let us know whether you have been vaccinated as we are planning to make arrangements that consider health and safety during the pandemic. Masking and physical distancing can be planned for as well.

**We will be delivering Messy Church bags** to families with children again at the end of November for Advent. If you didn't get a bag and would like one, let the office know. Do you want to be a part of the LSC Messy Church Community? [Follow our brand new Facebook page!](#)



Join us for the Courageous Church Summit Tuesdays at 7pm online on September 14, then each week from September 28.

Sept. 14 - Diana Butler Bass, author, (Grateful, Grounded), historian  
 Sept. 28 - Rev. John Dorhauer, President United Church of Christ  
 Oct. 12 - Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis, minister Middle Collegiate Church, New York  
 Oct. 19 - Brian McLaren, author (We Make the Road by Walking)  
 Oct. 26 - Bishop Michael Curry (Episcopal National Bishop) & Jim Wallis (Sojourners Magazine)  
 Nov. 2 - Rev Claudio Carvalhaes, Theologian and Professor of Worship at Union Theological Seminary.

Register by texting 'Faith' to 306-517-6797 or contact the office.



FOR THE LOVE OF CREATION

## Faithful Climate Conversations

As we live into the crisis of climate change and experience more and more the impacts of this crisis this resource encourages dialogue on climate change. For the Love of Creation developed Faithful Climate Conversations, a series of guides to facilitate small group conversations on climate change. There are three sessions and folk may participate in all or the ones that suit them and where they are at. If you are interested in participating in any of these conversations, let Russell or the office know, along with which one(s) and we will schedule them. The three sessions are:

- 1) Creation, Climate and You - Designed for people who have rarely, if ever, talked about climate change in a group setting before, this guide focuses on gently surfacing peoples' emotions and underlying thoughts about climate change.
- 2) From Concern to Action - For people who may have a basic understanding of climate change or are concerned about the effects of climate change, but remain uncertain about the best ways to act in light of this reality.
- 3) Build a Better Future - Meant for people who have already been involved in climate action at some level, this guide focuses on enacting political and systemic change to address the climate emergency.

*This resource has been developed by a coalition of organizations including Kairos.*

[Click here to complete the survey!](#)



October's Gratitude image shared by Maureen Hughes.

## Community Announcements

**Regina Native Outreach Ministry** is looking for board members. If you are interested, please email [reginanativeoutreachministry@gmail.com](mailto:reginanativeoutreachministry@gmail.com). RNOM is also selling t-shirts! They are \$20 each (\$30 if mailed), and come in sizes S-XL. Contact Deb for more information [glammergirl@live.com](mailto:glammergirl@live.com).

- Join Skylight Festival for Love aLive Dinner Church, sponsored by ESG Church Oct. 24!
- Regina Police Veterans are looking for anyone who knits mitts and toques which would be donated to the homeless at various shelters in Regina. If there is anyone who knits, you will be paid for these articles. Contact: Lou Bellamy (Russell's Cousin), Treasurer, Regina Police Veterans 306-543-6676.
- [Click here to view a recording of an event from Knox Met](#) - Downtown on Purpose: Conversations about Poverty and Homelessness in Regina | October 6, 2021
- Broadway United is having an [apple sale](#)!
- [LBC Annual Meeting](#) - November 23rd at 7:00 pm
- Queen's House Retreat and Renewal Centre [bulletin](#)
- Affirm United is looking for a [treasurer](#) (no-bookkeeping involved)
- October 12-17 and on through the fall: a **Climate Code Red** petition drive demanding just transition legislation: fair-share emissions reductions; stronger Indigenous rights; reduced inequality; green jobs; and the necessary institutions to get it done. Petitions will be delivered to MPs after every 25 signatures, calling on them to become champions for the legislation, and giving them fresh opportunities at each visit to take these demands to Parliament. To read the full petition, download the toolkit from the [Council of Canadians Climate Code Red page](#).

