

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 27, 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: Russell Mitchell-Walker Pianist: Hyunju Park Greeting: Clare and Stephannie Banks Dianna Ingham (Online) Congregational Care Greeter: Elaine Hill Lenten Liturgy: Jones-Duch Family Minute for Mission: Bonny Manz Prayers of the People: Linda Fowler Zoom Support: Brian Mitchell-Walker Tech Support: Brayden Barrett PowerPoint: Michelle Dickie

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: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Hymns:

Be Still and Know – MV#77 x2 Called by Earth and Sky – MV#135 vs. 1, 3 Beautiful Gaia – MV#41 Serve the Lord - All God's Children Sing #28 vs. 1, 2 Come Touch Our Hearts – MV#12 vs. 1, 2, 4 Our Hearts that Beat in Tune – MV#37 Amazing Grace – VU#266 vs. 1, 3, 5 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: **27 in-person, 30 online**

Offering: **\$7597.63** (not incl. PAR) January 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 April 6, 2:30-4:30pm
- LSC Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursdays, 9 am 3 pm. You can reach our office by email: <u>eastsideunited@sasktel.net</u>.
- Prayer Services: Tuesday at noon, Wednesday at 8:45am, Thursday at 4pm online. No prayer services March 28-31. 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, <u>please click here.</u> 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 <u>eastsideunited@sasktel.net</u>.

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 <u>here</u>.

Eastside Events and Programs

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

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

There will be LSC Lenten Shared Services on March 16 and 30. Please join us in-person at the LSC (March 16th) and Immanuel Anglican on Massey Road (30th) or online via Facebook Live.

A new Craft/Study session will begin after Easter. If you are interested in reading "My Grandmother's Hands," please let our office know. Copies of this book will cost \$30. If you would like a copy ordered for you, please let Becca know by March 20.



Please let Becca at Eastside United Cburch know if you can assist with serving and preparing breakfast for Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday (Contact: eastsideunited@sasktel.net).

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

Our Story in Our Language, March 19, 10:00AM Central, Sandy Saulteaux Centre. In a series of online multi-lingual conversations, we'll explore what community leadership training means for Indigenous communities of faith. All sessions start at 10:00 AM Central on the second last Saturday of the month. (Please adjust for your time zone.) Tickets are \$25/session or \$75 for the 5-part series. <u>Full information and registration here</u>.

Sacred Water: An Interfaith Conversation for World Water Day, March 22, 4:00PM MDT Learn about diverse faith and spiritual traditions teach concerning the sacredness of water in a time of climate crisis, and how we can deepen our connection with it. Offered by Faith and the Common Good, a United Church partner. <u>Click here for registration and details.</u>

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 <u>Round the Table</u> 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. <u>You can see the statement and other information here</u>, and find a link here to <u>make a donation</u> 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.



March'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: eastsideunited@sasktel.net • We also have options online with CanadaHelps, through our website, or by using the offering plate on Sundays.

March/April ...at a glance

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
27 Hybrid Worship 11:15 am	28 Mediation 7pm	29	30 Lent Service 7pm Hybrid at Immanuel on Massey Road	31	1	2
	Russell away March 28-April 3 for Fresh Expressions Conference					
3 Hybrid Worship 11:15 am Communion Service led by Hazel Arbon	4 Mediation 7pm	5 Prayer Service 12pm	6 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	13 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	20 Prayer Service 8:45am Coffee Shop Office Hours 2:30-4:30 pm Faith Formation 6:30pm	21 Prayer Service 4:00pm Community Dinner 6pm IN PERSON	22	23