August/September 2020 At a glance Full descriptions of activities in bulletin.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Online Worship 10:30	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 Online Worship 10:30	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Online Worship 10:30	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Online Worship 10:30	31	1	2	3	4	5

PLEASE NOTE: lots of programming at Eastside has been suspended or has moved online during this COVID-19. If you are unsure if a program you attend is suspended, contact the program organizer or email eastsideunited@sasktel.net to check. We are moving into May assuming that things will still be in lockdown.

Summer Worship Hours: Starting July 5th, service will be held at **10:30 am** instead of 11:15. This will continue until August 30th!



ANNOUNCEMENTS



August 9, 2020

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

Last week's attendance: 21

Offering: \$451

Weekly budget: \$1463

(not incl. PAR)

For the remainder of July and August, service will be offered by streaming another service using our usual Zoom login information. We have heard from you that you appreciate the opportunity to connect as a community and therefore we will continue to meet on our usual Zoom link and stream another service.

If you are interested in attending other services, you can check out these following links:

- an interactive map of United Churches online HERE
- a list of online services by province <u>HERE</u>
- you can join St. James United Church via Facebook <u>HERE</u>
- St. Philip Anglican also offers worship online, which can be viewed on their Facebook page <u>HERE</u>.

If you decide to continue with us on Zoom, worship will be happening online <u>HERE</u>. 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.

Office Hours:

The Living Spirit Center is closed due to concerns over COVID-19. Both Harvey and Russell are working remotely. If you need to contact the Eastside United Office, please email him at eastsideunited@sasktel.net.

Harvey's Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursdays.

Russell's Hours: Russell is away for medical leave. If you are in need of pastoral care, or have questions or concerns, please contact the Eastside Office.

We still need your support as our ministry continues!

Making your offering online (http://www.eastsideunited.ca/donate2.html) couldn't be easier. 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. Thanks for your donation!

In-Person Worship: With certain aspects of our city reopening, you may be wondering when we will resume in-person worship. Consistent with the recommendations of the Living Spirit Centre Council and the United Church of Canada, we will reopen our physical space and resume traditional services when we can be confident that we can do so in a manner that is meaningful for our community and is safe for each and every member of our congregation. We don't know at this time when that will be, but we will continue to keep you informed as our plans unfold.

Hello Neighbour Card Reminder: there are necessary situations when leaving the house is unavoidable, like groceries and prescription pick-ups. If you would like to and are healthy enough to do so, download a Hello Neighbour card that was sent with the weekly email to let people know you're available to help! By putting these cards in mailboxes, it allows those of use who are well to help the people around us who may need it by volunteering to run errands or check-in.

Cloth Masks: As places re-open it will be important to wear masks as we are out in public, especially indoors. If you would like a mask, please email the office indicating how many masks you need, and we will connect you with someone making masks. Elastic is needed if you have any! Thanks to Clare Banks, Wanda Barr, Glady Olekson, Nancy Cranfield, Jean MacKay who are willing to make masks. More sewers are welcome!

RACIAL JUSTICE WORKSHOP: An LSC wide event to learn about racism, white supremacy, and white privilege and how we can be Anti-Racist. Facilitated by Nancy Yee, St. Philip and Brian Mitchell-Walker, Eastside Dates in the fall, TBD

Volunteers for the ICF: The Indigenous Christian Fellowship is looking for people on Fridays to make 90 lunches on-site. If you are available to help out, contact or Doug Scheurwater. You can also find a Frontline Update from the Indigenous Christian Fellowship HERE.

Illustrated Ministry: We know many of you are scrambling around, trying to get ready for virtual/online worship. We know many others are trying to think through what they're going to do with schools and day cares closed. Illustrated Ministry has set up a page where you can receive **FREE**

weekly resources. To access resources from Illustrated Ministry that will help support faith exploration with children and families during this time, please visit their website <u>HERE</u>

Food Donations: Alex Pelletier is making lunches for the homeless and is accepting donations of **juice boxes**, **granola bars and fruit**, **he could use more than what he has been receiving**. If you are able to, donations can go in the blue bin outside the office doors by Friday.



Harvey will be at the Living Spirit Center on Thursdays from 10 am - 11 am if you want to drop off your donation then (mask wearing encouraged!). If someone is able to volunteer to deliver donations to Alex, let Harvey know.

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



Horizons Newsletter: The latest edition of Horizons is available. You can download a PDF copy here. Be sure to look and have a read, there are some surveys that will impact possible future programming. We want to hear from you!

Petition: Stop the \$120 Million Remand Expansion to Saskatoon Correctional Centre: On June 17, 2020, the Government of Saskatchewan announced \$120 million dollars to expand the remand centre at the Saskatoon Correctional Centre, adding 216 cells capable of holding 427 people. This announcement comes at a time when calls are echoing around the world and in our own province to address systemic and institutional racism against BIPOC (Black/Indigenous/People of Colour), to defund police and to divert money into social services and community supports. If you would like to sign the petition to stop this expansion, you can do so HERE

Did you know that the city is proposing a **dog park** in the park space beside us? If you have questions or concerns, please speak to Bonnie Yake, Sarah Tkachuk, or Brian Abrahamson.

Suspended/Moved Programming as of August 4th:

- TOPS is suspended until further notice
- Eastside Community Dinner is suspended until further notice
- Yoga is moved to Zoom, over until Fall
- KAIROS meetings are postponed until further notice
- Craft/Study is moved to Zoom, over until Fall
- Eastside Choir has canceled rehearsals until further notice
- ICF Breakfast has reduced programming
- Congregational Faith and Wellness Series is postponed
- Messy Church is suspended until further notice
- Women's Breakfast is suspended until further notice
- Film and Faith is suspended until the Fall
- AA is suspended in-person
- Forever... in Motion is suspended until further notice.

Did you miss the announcements at last Sunday's worship service? Sometimes feel like an event snuck up on you and you didn't receive proper notice? Printed announcements are saved on the Eastside website each week - check 'em out at

www.eastsideunited.ca under the What's New heading!

Were you unable to attend worship last week? You can find a video recording of past services online. Visit our website under the <u>WORSHIP</u> heading to find an uploaded video of service.