

June/July 2019
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 16, 2019

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

Ministers:

Minister: Russell Mitchell Walker
 Greeting: Lori Latta and family
 Congregational Care Greeter: Elaine Hill
 Prayers: Lori Latta and family
 Music ministry: Michelle Dickie
 Last week's attendance: 71
 Last week's offering: \$741

Russell's e-mail address: russell.eastside@sasktel.net

Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

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Tuesday through Thursday next week, working from home Friday.
 Wednesday afternoons from 2 to 4:30 pm: Coffee Shop Office Hours
 Russell will be at the Woodhams Drive Brewed Awakening for the month of June.

PRAYER SERVICES: Russell is inviting anyone who wishes to join him for a short service of prayer. Tuesday, at 12 noon, Wednesday at 8:15 am, Thursday at 4 pm. Until the end of June!

Scripture Readings: Psalm 113; Luke 15: 8-10

Songs:

Deep in our Hearts
 Holy Spirit, Come into Our Lives MV #6
 Praise to the Lord VU #835
 The Spirit in Me, Greet the Spirit in You
 It's a Song of Praise to the Maker MV #30
 Everything That We Have
 Jesus Shall Reign VU #330
 Oh, A Song must Rise MV #142 (chorus)

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
16 OUTDOOR Worship 11:15 am Open Hearts Potluck BBQ Wascana Rehab Ctr Worship 1:30 pm	17 AA 8 pm	18 Cards 9:30 Prayer 12 pm TOPS 6:30 LSC Council KAIROS Convers'n 6 pm @ Wesley	19 Prayer 8:15 am Coffee Shop 2 pm Regina Transitional Cluster @ Heritage UC 6 pm	20 Prayer 4 pm Community Dinner 5:45 pm	21	22 ICF Breakfast 9 am
23 LSC Shared Worship Indigenous Peoples' Day 9:30 am Blanket Exercise & Potluck	24 AA 8 pm	25 Cards 9:30 Prayer 12 pm TOPS 6:30	26 Prayer 8:15 am Coffee Shop 2 pm Leadership Team Mtg 7 pm Bread of Life Community Potluck	27 Prayer 4 pm	28 Film & Faith 6:30 pm	29
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St. Philip Senior Ministry Outreach card playing program, Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am in the East Sanctuary at the Living Spirit Centre. Whist and lessons to those that would like to learn. Come out and enjoy fellowship, coffee and card playing. For more information, call Rod 306-535-2877. There is a short morning prayer service from 9 am for those interested. Everyone is welcome.

LSC Meditation Group: We will gather one last time the afternoon of Sunday June 23 for a trip to Moose Jaw to walk the Labyrinth of Peace. We will meet at 1:30 pm in the LSC parking lot and carpool to Moose Jaw. Feel free to bring friends. This is a guided walk done with smartphones so a few of us with good roaming packages will have to bring our phones to hear the guides and will take us the entire afternoon. Interested in a visit to the Moose Jaw spa when we're done? If so, bring a bathing suit and we'll plan the car pools accordingly.

BAPTISM SERVICE COMING UP September 22: Do you or someone you know have a family that would appreciate knowing about this service? Please talk to Russell.

LSC Forever... in Motion program is taking a break until September! *Forever... in Motion* is a physical activity program for adults 50 and over. Benefits include stronger muscles and bones, better overall health, weight control, improved posture and balance, reduced risk of injury, relaxation and reduced stress, improved quality of life, and improved cognitive ability. And it's FREE! More info will be available toward end of summer. **Start date Thursday, September 5 at 10 am.**

Next ICF Breakfast, Saturday, June 22 from 9 am to 12 noon. The fourth Saturday of each month, Eastside volunteers set up, serve and clean up following breakfast for residents of north-central Regina. Would you like to participate in this family-friendly outreach ministry? Please reach out to Peter Braun at peterbraun@myaccess.ca.

LSC Tri-Parish Indigenous People's Service Join us Sunday, June 23 as the Living Spirit Centre worships together to recognize National Indigenous Peoples' Day. Proceedings will begin at 9:30 with Smudging outside and announcements prior to worship in the West Sanctuary. After the service there will a Blanket Exercise in the East Sanctuary followed by a cold potluck feast (sandwiches, salads, finger food, etc.) in the lower hall. All are invited to attend.



Worship Service at Wascana Rehabilitation Centre, TODAY Sunday, June 16 at 1:30 pm. We need volunteers to help make this service happen; individuals to escort worshippers from their rooms to the chapel and singers are nice too! Please talk to Shelly Williams or Linda Fowler. This is our last service until October.

Church crashing for summer worship begins Sunday, June 30 at 9:30 am and continues up to and including August 25. This is a fun way to worship with our LSC partners!

Eastside Community Dinner, Thursday, June 20 at 5:45 pm: this is the last one until fall! All are welcome to join us for a meal and community, and an informal worship time of song, scripture and prayers. Suggested donation \$7/person or \$20/family. We appreciate RSVPs and pre-payment if possible. Tickets online at www.bit.ly/Dinnertickets.com

Wesley United Church is 'Berry' happy to announce that we are having a **Blueberry Sale** to raise funds for the work of the church in the world. We are preselling BC blueberries and they will be available for pick up at Wesley on July 20. Blueberries can be purchased in quantities of 12 pints for \$35, 6 pints for \$25, and 3 pints for \$15. You can purchase a ticket for blueberries by contacting 306-586-5220 Tuesday to Thursday 1 – 3 pm, a Wesley United Church member, or; to order on-line: <https://www.wesleyunitedregina.ca/>. Blueberries are delicious fresh, frozen, or in muffins, smoothies, jam, pies or fruit crisps. They are rich in antioxidants, low in calories and high in fibre and nutrients.

Urban Communities of Faith Gathering, Weds, June 19 5:30 - 9:00 PM at Heritage United Church (includes pizza supper)

This Gathering is a follow-up to the one held on February 27, 2019 at Wesley United Church where all urban Regina communities of faith (COF) were invited to participate in an informal meeting about the future of the United Church in Regina. We hope to grapple with questions such as: Does the Regina United Church community have a unique calling beyond the congregational level? What could that look like? How can we share resources, partner together, potentially amalgamate resources? How can 'we' be more than our individual congregations? How do we sustain our community ministries and is that important? The report on the first gathering held February 27 is available from the Coordinating Committee reginaarecluster@gmail.com.

Regina KAIROS Conversation, Tuesday, June 18, 2019: 6 - 8 PM, Wesley United Church, 3913 Hillside St., Regina, SK (in kitchen lounge: enter north-east door from parking lot)

Shannon Neufeldt from the KAIROS national office will be in Regina and would like to meet with you or representatives of your churches or communities to explore how we can strengthen our ecumenical and broader justice efforts together. KAIROS is an ecumenical coalition of justice ministries.

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Informal conversation will be encouraged over a potluck supper starting at 6 pm with a more organized full group discussion beginning after supper. Please join us for supper if you can or just for the discussion.

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	2019 Actual	2018 Actual	2017 Actual
Revenue to Support Eastside United Church	\$ 70,080	\$ 55,404	\$ 56,801
Revenue to Reduce M&S Liability ¹	22,821	0	0
Revenue to Reduce Presbytery Liability	7,135		
Revenue to Support Mission & Service Fund	700	5,410	6,359
Total Revenue	100,736	60,814	63,160
Eastside's Operating Expenses	57,076	61,622	59,746
Contribution to Mission & Service Fund	700	5,410	6,359
Total Operating Expenses	57,776	67,032	66,105
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 42,960	\$ (6,218)	\$ (2,945)
Less: Mortgage Payments (principal & interest)	4,583	4,125	4,167
Add: Drawdown of Mortgage Fund ²	0	-4,125	-4,167
Equals: Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 38,377	\$ (6,218)	\$ (2,945)

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Thank you to everyone that participated in this process, through surveys, focus groups, and conversations. We have heard loud and clear that what we have here is something very special! We are living out our vision of Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors each and every day. We are extremely grateful to the Eastside community, who has stepped up with incredible generosity to satisfy our outstanding financial obligations, but also to share your thoughts, visions and prayers for the future.

Please take a moment to read the available documents summarizing our Faith Story. This includes:

1. Summary and recommendations
2. Supporting documentation
3. Financial report
4. Draft Updated job description for the minister

We are looking for your open and honest feedback on our recommendations. Please take a moment to review the attached and provide your feedback via email to eastsideunited@sasktel.net, at the office at 306- or by talking to one of the committee members. We will be holding a community meeting in September to approve the recommendations.

Thank you!!

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