

**February/March 2018**  
**At a glance**  
**Full descriptions of activities in bulletin.**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<b>25</b> Worship 11:15 am Annual Meeting Potluck	<b>26</b> Meditation 7 pm AA 8 pm	<b>27</b> Cards 9:30 TOPS 6:30	<b>28</b> Lenten Soup and Worship 5:30 pm	<b>1</b> Craft Study 1:30	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b> Worship 11:15 am Communion	<b>5</b> AA 8 pm	<b>6</b> Cards 9:30 TOPS 6:30	<b>7</b> Lenten Soup and Worship 5:30 pm	<b>8</b> Craft Study 1:30 Family Dinner 6 pm	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Women's Breakfast 8 am
<b>FRIARS' BRIAR</b>						
<b>11</b> Worship 11:15 am Open Hearts	<b>12</b> Meditation 7 pm AA 8 pm	<b>13</b> Cards 9:30 TOPS 6:30	<b>14</b> Lenten Soup and Worship 5:30 pm	<b>15</b> Craft Study 1:30	<b>16</b> Film & Faith	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> Worship 11:15 am Prayer Candles	<b>19</b> AA 8 pm	<b>20</b> Cards 9:30 TOPS 6:30	<b>21</b> Lenten Soup and Worship 5:30 pm	<b>22</b> Craft Study 1:30	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> IMCF Breakfast 9 am
<b>25</b> Worship 11:15 am PALM SUNDAY Potluck Cong Care Speaker	<b>26</b> AA 8 pm	<b>27</b> Cards 9:30 TOPS 6:30	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Craft Study 1:30 Maundy Thursday	<b>30</b> Good Friday	<b>31</b> Holy Saturday

TOPS = Take Off Pounds Sensibly  
AA = Alcoholics Anonymous



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 25, 2018

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

**Ministers:**

Worship Leaders: Ken Powers  
Greeting: Marg and Leif Riesach  
Congregational Care Greeter: Sheri Nupdal  
Prayers: Hazel Arbon  
PowerPoint: Taylor Balfour  
Music: Michelle Dickie  
Last week's attendance: 60

Ken's e-mail address: kmpowers@sasktel.net  
Hazel's e-mail address: pinkhouse@sasktel.net

**Office Hours:**

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

**Scripture Reading:** John 13:1-17

**Songs –**

*Let Us Build a House* MV #1 vs 3  
*Come In, Come In and Sit Down* VU #395  
*Let these Broken Bones Dance*  
*Now Quit Your Care* VU #109 Verses 1, 2 and 3  
*We bring you our gifts* Tune VU #579  
*Jesus Christ is Waiting* VU #117 Verses 1, 2 and 3  
*May the God of Hope Go with Us* VU #424

**EASTSIDE'S ANNUAL FINANCE MEETING  
WILL BE HELD TODAY SUNDAY,  
FEBRUARY 25. PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN  
US!**

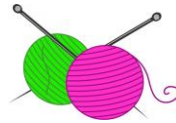
**LAST CHANCE TO PICK UP YOUR 2017 TAX RECEIPT FROM YOUR EASTSIDE MAIL SLOT! POSTAGE IS EXPENSIVE SO WE'D RATHER NOT HAVE TO MAIL THEM OUT!**

**House of Esther is in need of a new house group leader to work with Dale Banks.** Please see Dale if you can help share the work load a bit. Dale has been serving as house leader for some time and can show you the ropes.

**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. If you need a ride call Rod 306-789-1388. Everyone is welcome.

**LSC Meditation Group:** Monday, February 26 at 7 pm in the East Sanctuary. We'd love to have you join us whether you're new to meditation or an experienced practitioner. All are welcome, remember to wear comfortable clothing. For more info, please get in touch with Sheri Nupdal at [sherinupdal7@gmail.com](mailto:sherinupdal7@gmail.com). We are switching to every other Monday until spring. Following dates are: March 12 and 16.

**Eastside's Craft/Study Group** Thursday, February 29 at 1:30 pm in the Multipurpose Room and East Sanctuary! Join us as we share in discussion, handiwork and coffee time following. We are reading *The Great Spiritual Migration* by Brian McLaren. Let the office know if you'd like to jump in and we'll get you a book!



**LSC LENTEN SOUP & PRAYER**, Wednesdays through Lent at the LSC. *Want a night off from cooking supper? Want a special Lenten service of prayer and quiet? Want a moment stepping out of the hectic craziness of life?* We invite you to set aside a few (or all!) of the Wednesdays in Lent for a soup and bread supper followed by a brief worship time using Holden Evening Prayer and centred around the theme of Lenten Spiritual Practices. Supper served at 5:30 and worship begins at 7 - please feel welcome to attend either or both as your schedule allows. This is a tri-parish offering of the LSC.

**The Epiphany Supper prepared and served by the men of the Living Spirit Centre raised just over \$480 that has been donated to Carmichael Outreach!**

**Russell is on Sabbatical until April 2, 2018.** We are grateful to Ken Powers and Hazel Arbon who have agreed to lead worship and offer pastoral care during this time. When not in Australia or at a conference, Russell will be focusing his sabbatical in the neighbourhood (the Parish), making connections, listening, and seeing where God is at work.

### **THE NEW PARISH – Connecting with the neighbourhood**

Have you put your pin on the *Who is My Neighbour?* map? See where our congregation members live on the map in the narthex.

**Do you have a group in the neighbourhood that you have coffee with regularly?** Russell would love to join you and have a visit with your group as part of his *New Parish* and sabbatical work. You can extend an invitation to Russell to join you between now and April.

Are you interested in how we can connect with the neighbourhood? Do you know or have a desire to know your neighbours? At the latest *Leadership in the New Parish* training, I have a "Practicing Parish" assignment that includes forming a Parish Team. Would you like to be part of this team? It would meet less than once a month to be a part of planning a Parish Sunday in the fall. Let me know at [russellmw88@gmail.com](mailto:russellmw88@gmail.com)

Another idea for sabbatical time: Do you know your neighbours? Would you be willing to have a gathering in March (or April) with your neighbours and invite me so we can talk about their experience of the neighbourhood? Let me know at the e-mail above.



**Atamiskākēwak National Gathering 2018** is the bringing together of all people in a week of experiences, education, understanding, and fun, bridging the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples! It is taking place in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan April 23rd - 28th, 2018 in Treaty 4 Territory; Nēwō Tipahātamin Askīy and the traditional territory of the Cree and Saulteaux, Assiniboine, and Métis. Check out the event website: <http://www.nationalgathering.ca/index.php>. The week will consist of national and international attendance on "how" to build right relationships on the journey of reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. It will be "how" do we apply and act on the '94 *Calls to Action*' in today's reality.

The **2018 World Day of Prayer Ecumenical Service** will be held on Friday, March 2 at 2 pm at Little Flower Church, 420 College Avenue (use Edgar Street Entrance) with lunch to follow. This year's service has been written by Suriname's World Day of Prayer Committee and the theme is "All God's Creation is Very Good!"

**FRIARS' BRIAR:** From March 4 to 9, Regina will be the site for the annual Friars' Briar. This curling competition is held each spring during the national men's bonspiel and 2017 marks its 40th year! It welcomes clergy and spouses, and faith-based workers, from many denominations. Participants come from across Canada to enjoy some friendly competition and fellowship. Register a team, or register individually and a team will be assigned. More information and registration forms can be found on line at <https://friarsbriar.ca>. From the website: "The association aims to promote fine fellowship and good curling on a national basis among clergy and other associates."

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The **Inhabit Conference** is a three-day experience (with Pre Day) April 26-28 dedicated to helping you practice faithful presence and seek the flourishing of your place. Join hundreds of practitioners from across North America at the beautiful Seattle School of Theology and Psychology for one of the most transformative breakthrough gatherings of the year. Join Russell as he attends this conference as part of his *Leadership in the New Parish* Course. He is encouraged to bring people from his community. A special ticket rate is available until February 25, 2018. The rates are \$119USD for individuals, \$109USD per person if there is a group of three or more. If you are interested, contact him at [russellmw88@sasktel.net](mailto:russellmw88@sasktel.net).

**St. Philip Ladies Guild Irish Stew Supper:** Wear your green on Saturday, March 17 and enjoy an Irish stew supper at the Living Spirit Centre (3018 Doan Drive). Doors open at 5:30, supper at 6, and Irish entertainment to follow. Tickets are \$15 – contact Sandi (306-522-0743) or Faye/Don (306-789-5241).

## A Taste of Skylight

Come and get a flavour of Skylight Festival, a festival of Arts, Spirituality and Social Justice held in Paris ON, each summer. **A Taste of Skylight April 20-21**, planned jointly by Eastside United Church, Bread of Life Lutheran, and St. Philip Anglican churches will provide the opportunity for you to experience the intersection of these elements of life through dynamic and engaging contributors. **Friday night begins with a free pre-event at 6 pm with Archbishop Don Bolen and Rabbi Jeremy Parnes offering a further dialogue on the work of Leonard Cohen.**

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To register and for information on speakers and schedule, check our website: <http://bit.ly/TasteofSkylight>. Ticket price does not include lunch - a separate lunch ticket can be purchased, offered by Munch Café. If the ticket price is a hindrance to your attendance please contact us to get information regarding how to register. Tickets at the door will be available for \$30. For more information contact [russellmw88@gmail.com](mailto:russellmw88@gmail.com).



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