



ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 20, 2022
Sunday Service | 11:15 am



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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: Wendy Hardman

Tech Support: Brayden Barrett

Greeting: Stephannie & Clare Banks
Dianna Ingham (Online)

Congregational Care Greeter: Delia Baidoo

Prayers of the People: Clare Banks

Zoom Support: Brian Mitchell-Walker

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 13:1-9

Hymns:

Be Still and Know – MV#77 x2

Come Let us Sing VU#222, vs 1,2,4

Beautiful Gaia – MV#41 vs 1,3

Serve the Lord - All God's Children Sing #28 vs. 3,4

Jesus Christ is Waiting – VU#117 vs 2,3,5

Our Hearts that Beat in Tune – MV#37

Forgive our Sins as we Forgive – VU#364 vs 1,2,4

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:
28 in-person, 29 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. He has zoom office hours from 2:30-4:30 on Wednesdays – drop in with the regular worship link!
- **LSC Office Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursdays, 9:30 am – 3:30 pm. You can reach our office by email: eastsideunited@sasktel.net.
- **Prayer Services:** Tuesday at noon, Wednesday at 8:45am, Thursday at 4pm online.
- **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 here 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. We will be posting the service on Facebook on the following Monday morning.

March/April
...at a glance

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
20 Hybrid Worship 11:15 am Open Hearts	21 Mediation 7pm	22 Prayer Service 12pm LSC Council Meeting	23 Prayer Service 8:45am Zoom Office Hours 2:30-4:30 pm Faith Formation 6:30pm	24 Craft/Study 1:30pm Prayer Service 4:00pm LSC Climate Justice Group 7pm	25 Film & Faith 7pm	26
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 Zoom Office Hours 2:30-4:30 pm Leadership Team 7pm	7 Cong Care Cttee 10am Prayer Service 4:00pm LSC Partners Mtg 7pm	8	9
10 Palm Sunday Hybrid Worship 11:15 am Open Hearts	11 Mediation 7pm	12 Prayer Service 12pm Gratitude Team 10:30am	13 Prayer Service 8:45am Coffee Shop Office Hours 2:30-4:30 pm	14 Prayer Service 4:00pm Maundy Thursday Service 7pm	15 Good Friday Service w BoL 11am	16



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.

Eastside's Annual Meeting is today, and will be taking place immediately following a shorter Sunday service! The annual report is available via email, online on our website, or in physical form in the Narthex (in limited quantity).

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, [please click here](#). 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.

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 [here](#).

Eastside Events and Programs

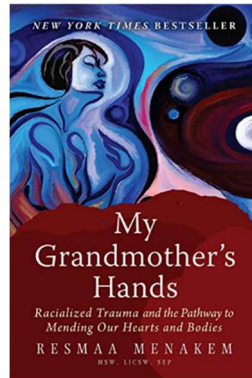
Meditation Schedule: Meditation has continues online! [Click here](#) to join at 7 pm on Mondays.



Do you want to be a part of the LSC Messy Church Community? [Follow our new Facebook page!](#)

There will be Lenten Shared Services at the LSC 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.

Craft/Study continues to meet on Thursdays at 1:30, reading Faith After Doubt. This week's reading: **Chapter 15**. 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.



Film and Faith, Friday March 25, 7pm online and in person (East Sanctuary). We will watch a movie (TBD) on CBC Gem at home or in the church and check in on Zoom beforehand and be on Zoom for discussion following. Text Film to 306-517-6797 to RSVP or email Russell.

Outreach

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED TO GLEN ELM AND MUNCH! We have now collected \$520!

Glen Elm School is taking food donations! Now that the Munch Lunch program for March is done, we need 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 on-site. If you can help out, contact [Doug Scheurwater](#) 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

Social assistance concerns continue; new report with details of the impact In November we shared an action detailing great concerns with the SK government's changes to social assistance. ([Click here for that action](#), which is, unfortunately, still up to date, and welcomes your participation.) Peter Gilmer, ministry staff with the Regina Anti Poverty Ministry, points us to a report detailing the results of grassroots listening circles which talked about social assistance and homelessness, to help us see the changes from the experience of those facing the impact. The report was prepared by Meara Conway and team; she is an NDP MLA, and is the opposition critic for Social Services, Housing, Human Rights, and Community-Based Organizations. It is in the latter role that we recommend the report for reading. [The full report is here.](#) [The summary report is here.](#)

Anti Racism Common Table letter on hate symbols at recent protests – The recent protests and border blockades have made for a very tense few weeks. This [open letter](#) from the General Council's Anti Racism Common Table asks us to accept the reality, and the impact, of the documented presence of white supremacist, racist symbols at a number of the protests. You're invited to read it with an open heart for the experiences of Black and Indigenous people, and people of colour, targeted by the beliefs behind these symbols. Tony Snow, a member of the Indigenous church and Regional Minister in Chinook Winds, also offers us [this reflection](#) from his perspective. May God give us the heart to absorb these words.