

October/November

...at a glance

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 10, 2021



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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: Josh Hendricksen (Pre-Recorded)

Tech Support: Brayden Barrett

Greeting: Elaine Hill, Diane Dopko

COVID Protocol: Clare Banks

Prayers of the People: Linda Fowler

PowerPoint: Michelle Dickie

Congregational Care Greeter: Delia Baidoo

Zoom Host: Brian Mitchell-Walker

Facebook Live Host: Stephannie Banks

Baptism Worship Representative: Greg Thomas

Today we will be joining and celebrating the Baptism of Nate Kurt Carlson, the Son of Jamie and Darrin Carlson, brother of Brook and Kane.

Sunday Scripture: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 and Mark 10:17-31

Hymns:

Called by Earth and Sky – MV#135 Chorus

God of the Sparrow – VU#229 vs. 1, 3, 5, 6

Let There be Light – VU#679 vs. 1, 3, 6

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying – VU#400

It's a Song of Praise to the Maker – MV#30 vs. 1 & Chorus

To Show by Touch and Word – VU#427

Like a Rock – MV#92

Last week's in-person attendance: **31**

Last week's online attendance: **29**

Offering: **\$1762.20** (not incl. PAR)

Sept. 1-15

Weekly budget: **\$3167**

Office Hours and More:

- **Russell's Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Russell's e-mail address: russell.eastside@gmail.com.
- **Office Hours:** Wednesdays from 2 – 4:30 online.
- **In-Home Visits:** Please let us know if you would like to have an in person visit, especially if you have been isolated or alone during the Pandemic. More information is available below.
- **Church Office Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursdays, 9 am – 3 pm. You can reach our office by email: eastsideunited@sasktel.net.
- **Prayer Services:** Tuesday at noon, Wednesday at 8:15am, Thursday at 4pm.



Happy Thanksgiving! We wish all of our friends at Eastside a wonderful weekend (with the lovely fall weather) and hope you are able to enjoy this season with friends and family. We wish you the safest of celebrations, and thank you for joining us for our service this Sunday.

COVID Protocols: We thank you for helping us keep our community safe as we continue to monitor the pandemic. This practice and policy is consistent with the recommendations of the Living Skies Regional Council and the United Church of Canada, and done in a manner that is meaningful for our community

and is safe for every member of our congregation. If you have questions or feedback, please let Sarah Tkachuk know.



In-Person Worship Details

- We will be holding in-person services – you are welcome to attend if you feel comfortable doing so!
- **If you are planning to attend in-person services:**
 - We are required to wear masks and practice social distancing at the LSC.
 - We ask that adults only attend if you are fully vaccinated. We hope this will make our services more accessible to those who are ineligible to receive a vaccine (immuno-compromised, children under 12, etc.). Those who are ineligible may attend without being vaccinated.
 - Please do not attend in-person services if you are experiencing any COVID-like symptoms, or have possibly been in contact with someone who has COVID.
- **Please notify our office if you have tested positive for COVID-19 and have attended our in-person services within the last two weeks of your positive result.**
- If you are not yet vaccinated, we invite you to join us online via Zoom or Facebook Live.
- Please let us know if you would be able to assist as a volunteer on Sundays as we will need help with ensuring that pandemic protocols are followed.



Eastside Announcements

Worship will also be happening here on Zoom as an online option! 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. You may also join us on Facebook Live via our Page.

The Gratitude Team is launching the 2021 Stewardship Campaign this Sunday, October 10th!

The Stewardship Campaign packages will be available for pick up after church on Sunday, October 10th and Sunday October 17th. They may also be picked up from the church office during regular office hours. If packages have not been picked up by October 17th, the Gratitude Team members will deliver them by hand.

Please read the information in the package and return your Response Card by November 7, 2021.

We still need your support as our ministry continues!

We are presently behind in our revenues, both budget and with regard to expenses. Making your offering online couldn't be easier on our website! 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 (mail is checked Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday). You can also send e-transfers to our email: eastsideunited@sasktel.net.

Thank you for your generosity!

Financial update for August: If you would like to view Eastside's August financial statement, please [click here](#). Eastside has experienced shortfalls in our envelope giving this quarter. We appreciate all of those who give to Eastside and are thankful to all of our givers! 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.



Supporting a conversion therapy ban in Saskatchewan:

Thank you to all who have supported the gay conversion therapy ban in Regina! If you would like to sign a petition to ban conversion therapy throughout the province, a petition will be available to sign at the office and after worship until October 14.

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.

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.

Sunday School with Eastside will be resuming in October! We are looking for people to join our Sunday School Teaching Team of Stephannie Banks, Cathie Henderson and Leanne Sudom. If you are interested in sharing in this important work, please contact Leanne Sudom at 306-924-0055 or email leanne.sudom@gmail.com.



Once we return to larger in-person services, we will be in need of more offering counting volunteers! Please let the office know if you can assist us with counting!

COVID Vaccine Fact Sheet: We are all encouraged to get vaccinated, to protect ourselves and others, and to return to a new normal. Download the fact sheet [here](#), and check out Saskatchewan's vaccination plan. Remember that once vaccinated you can still be a carrier of the virus so masks and distancing practices are recommended when out in public.

Are you looking for more information about proof of vaccination in Saskatchewan? We have compiled a list of useful links:

- [Information about VaxWalletVerification](#)
- [Registering for your MySaskHealthRecord Account](#)
- [More links about vaccine verification from Sask eHealth](#)

Eastside T-Shirts: T-shirts can be picked up during LSC office hours. If you did not order but are interested in purchasing one, email Becca to see what colour and sizes are available. \$30/each.



Cloth Masks: It is a good idea to double mask when we are out in public, especially indoors. If you would like a cloth mask, please contact or drop into the office as we still have some in the bin.

Were you unable to attend worship in the past? You can find a video recording of past services online. Visit our website [HERE](#) to find uploaded videos of service. After we stopped recording on Zoom they can also be found on our Facebook page.

Please share your favourite hymns with us! Let us know by filling out this Google Form [HERE](#).

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.



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!

Eastside will be having an online auction near Christmas-time! Perhaps you would like to donate something, an item, talent, a craft or some baking. If you are interested in providing a donation, please contact Maureen Hughes (nmhughes58@gmail.com)



Eastside Programming

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

Craft/Study will be resuming in the fall on September 16! Sessions will be on Thursdays at 1:30 online.



The book for these sessions will be *See No Stranger* by Valarie Kaur. If you would like a book, please let Becca know.

Reading Schedule:

September 16 ~ Chapter 1

September 23 ~ Chapter 2

September 30 ~ No C/S, office closed for National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

October 7 ~ Chapter 3

October 14 ~ Chapter 4

October 21 ~ Chapter 5

November 4 ~ Chapter 6

November 11 ~ Chapter 7

November 18 ~ Chapter 8

November 25 ~ Chapter 9 and Epilogue

Russell is planning to offer in-home visits. If you would like to plan a visit, please let Russell know. We would ask that those who are comfortable having in-home visits let us know whether you have been vaccinated as



we are planning to make arrangements that consider health and safety during the pandemic. Masking and physical distancing can be planned for as well.



We will be delivering Messy Church bags to families with children on October 2nd –given that we can't gather safely in person. The theme will be Thanksgiving! If you didn't get a bag and would like one, let the office know. Do you want to be a part of the LSC Messy Church Community? [Follow our brand new Facebook page!](#)

Online Community Dinner October 21 at 6:00 pm



Join us for our October Community Dinner on October 21! The theme that will be featured is anti-poverty and discussing liveable income issues. RSVP by texting "RSVP" to 306-517-6797, or send our office an email letting us know you would like to attend. More details will be coming soon!



Join us for the Courageous Church Summit Tuesdays at 7pm online on September 14, then each week from September 28.

Sept. 14 - Diana Butler Bass, author, (Grateful, Grounded), historian
Sept. 28 - Rev. John Dorhauer, President United Church of Christ
Oct. 12 - Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis, minister Middle Collegiate Church, New York
Oct. 19 - Brian McLaren, author (We Make the Road by Walking)
Oct. 26 - Bishop Michael Curry (Episcopal National Bishop) & Jim Wallis (Sojourners Magazine)
Nov. 2 - Rev Claudio Carvalhaes, Theologian and Professor of Worship at Union Theological Seminary.

Register by texting 'Faith' to 306-517-6797 or contact the office.



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Faithful Climate Conversations

As we live into the crisis of climate change and experience more and more the impacts of this crisis this resource encourages dialogue on climate change. For the Love of Creation developed Faithful Climate Conversations, a series of guides to facilitate small group conversations on climate change. There are three sessions and folk may participate in all or the ones that suit them and where they are at. If you are interested in participating in any of these conversations, let Russell or the office know, along with which one(s) and we will schedule them. The three sessions are:

- 1) Creation, Climate and You - Designed for people who have rarely, if ever, talked about climate change in a group setting before, this guide focuses on gently surfacing peoples' emotions and underlying thoughts about climate change.
- 2) From Concern to Action - For people who may have a basic understanding of climate change or are concerned about the effects of climate change, but remain uncertain about the best ways to act in light of this reality.
- 3) Build a Better Future - Meant for people who have already been involved in climate action at some level, this guide focuses on enacting political and systemic change to address the climate emergency.

This resource has been developed by a coalition of organizations including Kairos.

Click here to complete the survey!



October's Gratitude image shared by Maureen Hughes.

Community Announcements

Regina Native Outreach Ministry is looking for board members. If you are interested, please email reginanativeoutreachministry@gmail.com. RNOM is also selling t-shirts! They are \$20 each (\$30 if mailed), and come in sizes S-XL. Contact Deb for more information glammergirl@live.com.

- **Broadway United** is having an apple sale!
- **Heritage United Church** Drive-Thru Fall Supper - \$25 a meal, October 22
- **Broadway United Church** Drive-Thru Turkey Supper - \$10-20 a meal, October 16
- LBC art exhibition showcasing camper art and other activities - October 23, 1-3:30 pm with performance by Misty Wensel
- LBC Annual Meeting - November 23rd at 7:00 pm
- Queen's House Retreat and Renewal Centre bulletin
- **Affirm United** is looking for a treasurer (no-bookkeeping involved)

Please [click here](#) to view a message from Deb Anderson-Pratt. If you follow us on Facebook you may have seen a post that was shared detailing Deb's personal story of Indigenous newborns and children still being taken away from their families. Following this past Day for Truth and Reconciliation, we encourage our community to listen to these stories of inequity and discrimination. **This message contains information that may be disturbing for some readers.**

EVERY CHILD MATTERS