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All worship and programming is online

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
17 Online Worship 11:15 Prayer Candles	18	Prayer Service 12pm LSC Council 7pm	Prayer Service 8:30am Gratitude Team 12:30pm Zoom office Hrs 2-4:30	21 Craft/Study 1:30pm Prayer Service 4pm Community Dinner Online 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:30pm	22	23
24 Online Worship 11:15	25	26 Prayer Service Courageous Faith 7pm	Prayer Service 8:30am Zoom office Hrs 2-4:30	28 Craft/Study 1:30pm Prayer Service 4pm	29 Film and Faith	30
31 Online Worship 11:15 Russell Off	1	2 Courageous Faith 7pm	3	4 Craft/Study 1:30pm	5	6
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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!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 17, 2021

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Velcome to Eastside United. May our opportunities

of ministry offer you rest, challenge and peace on your Christian journey.

Ministers:

Minister: Russell Mitchell-Walker

Pianist: Michelle Dickie

Tech Support: Brian Mitchell-Walker Attendance/Responses: Holly Mah

Congregational Care Greeter: Diane Dopko

Prayers of the People: Ken Powers Minute for Mission – Gratitude Team

Last week's attendance: 60 Offering: \$1510 Weekly budget: \$3167

(not incl. PAR) Dec 16-31

Worship will be happening online via Zoom <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. If you have trouble with sound on your computer, you can also call in with these numbers while watching on zoom.

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 Harvey at eastsideunited@sasktel.net.

- Harvey's Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursdays.
- Russell's Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. Russell's e-mail address: russell.eastside@gmail.com.
- **Zoom Drop-in Office Hours** Wednesdays from 2 4:30

Scripture Readings: John 1: 43-48; Psalm 139 VU pg 861 Songs –

Hope Shines as a Solitary Star MV #220 I Am the Light of the World Come in, Come in and Sit Down MV #157 I Am a Child of God MV #157 I Have Called You by Your Name MV #161 Grateful MV #182 Jesus Calls Us VU #562 Sent Out in Jesus' Name MV #212

In-Person Worship: Consistent with the recommendations of the Living Skies Regional 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 every member of our congregation. We will continue to keep you informed as our plans unfold. The Leadership Team has established a "Return to Worship Task Group" to discuss the protocols and possibilities for gathering in-person. If you are interested, or have feedback, please let Sarah Tkachuk know. We will review again in January.



 <u>Colouring Page and discussion guide</u> for second Sunday after Epiphany

Meditation Schedule: The meditation group will continue to meet via Zoom for now on Monday nights. If you have any questions, please contact <u>Shauna Powers</u>.

Craft/Study: You can find the Zoom link HERE. The link will be sent out in Tuesday's email as well. We will discuss chapter 2 pg 24-38 of *White Fragility* for next Thursday. If you would like to participate and need a book, please let Harvey know. Books are 20\$.

<u>CALLING ALL RECIPES:</u> Do you have a favourite recipe, a family favourite that you'd be willing to share? If you have a recipe that you'd like to share a tasty treat with fellow Eastsiders, send it to Harvey and he will share it on the next weekly email.

Membership Transfer: there will be an online transfer of membership service held in March. If you would like to attend or participate, get in touch with Russell.

Virtual Community Dinner: Join online over Zoom on January 21st from 5:30 - pm to 6:30 pm. Register for free on Eventbrite <u>HERE</u>. Prepare your

favourite food so we can share in fellowship, music, prayer and reflection. All are welcome!

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, contact Doug Scheurwater. We are also looking for those comfortable helping with deliveries. There will be an indigenous and non-indigenous person helping. They are also looking for volunteers for cooking on the grill for Saturday morning breakfasts. Cookie makers are also needed. Let Russell (or Linda Fowler for cookies) know if you can help.

Eastside T-Shirts: If you ordered a t-shirt, please come pick them up! They are ready! They can be picked up on Thursdays between 10 am and 11 am. If you did not order but are interested in purchasing one, email Harvey to see what colour and sizes are available. \$30/each.

Munch Lunch Revised – Donations for Glen Elm Community School are suspended until school resumes in-person again. Thank you to everyone who has donated! Harvey will send an update when donations are being collected again.

Alex Pelletier is re-starting his lunch program. Donations of fruit, granola bars, juice boxes, and similar items can be dropped off at Eastside United on Thursdays between 10 am – 11 am, or at any time in the blue bin by the office doors.

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.

Courageous Faith: There will be another Courageous Faith series on Tuesday nights, starting on January 26th, 2021. Please email Harvey to register. **There is still time to register!**

Wanted: curious, thoughtful person who would like to know our partners at the Living Spirit Centre better - to sit on LSC Council as one of 3 Eastside reps, along with Russell. There are usually 5 meetings a year, 2 hours in length. Decisions on the LSC are made through discussion and reaching consensus. Meetings this year have been via Zoom. Please talk with current reps Bonnie Yake or Bonny Manz to volunteer/for more information.

Cloth Masks: It is important to wear masks when we are out in public, especially indoors. It is now policy to wear a mask when in the church building. 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!

Hello Neighbour Card Reminder: 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. This is more important again as we are asked to reduce our contacts and go out less!



Were you unable to attend worship in the past? Don't worry about it! You can find a video recording of past services online. Visit our website <u>HERE</u> to find uploaded videos of service.

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.



Suspended/Moved Programming as of January 13:

- TOPS is suspended until further notice
- Eastside Choir has canceled rehearsals until further notice
- Messy Church is suspended until further notice. Watch for Messy Church at home resources.