

Third Ave News

From the Pews . . . and beyond
December 7, 2014



The Mission of Third Avenue United Church is to reach out with love and provide a welcoming place, especially for downtown people. We offer strength, courage, and support in a safe nurturing environment.

We welcome everyone to worship this morning.
If you are a guest or a newcomer, please sign one of our guest books at either of the back entrances.
If you would like information on the church activities, contact us at:
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To Make Your Experience Here Even Better



If you use a cane or walker, please use our elevator entrance on 3rd Ave.



There are head sets at the back of the Sanctuary for those who need assistance hearing the service.



Please remember to shut off your cell phone during the service.



There are visitor offering envelopes folded in the pews if you wish to make an offering to our ministry.

A Time for Community

Please join us for coffee in the Narthex before service or downstairs after the service for lunch.

If you are able bring baking or goodies for snack to allow us to continue this time of fellowship on the week corresponding to the start of your last name. Please feel free to bring extra items that could be frozen for use when donations are slim.

This Week: Last names starting with M – Z.

Next Week: Last names starting with A – L.

Please try to come early to set up if you are able (10:00 a.m.). We can also use help with clean up and dishes. Thank you.

Readings for Dec 14

Isaiah 61:1–4, 8–11

The spirit of the Lord is upon me.

Psalms 126 (VU p. 850)

Sow in tears; reap in joy.

1 Thessalonians 5:16–24

Rejoice always; pray without ceasing.

John 1:6–8, 19–28

John testified to the light.

Givings – Nov 30, 2014

General (Local)	\$	280.00
Mission & Service	\$	12.00
Special Services	\$	130.00
Bridging	\$	100.00
Church School	\$	30.00
Loose	\$	25.00
Coffee	\$	1.90
Total Offering	\$	578.90

Church Duty Roster

Today: Barry Duncan

Next Sunday: Darren Hannah

are responsible for opening and closing of the church

Free Items

If anyone would like one of the round tables or long rectangular ones (under stage) please let Philip know.

This Week at 3rd Avenue – December 7 - 14

Items in Black are Third Avenue United Church (TAUC) events.

Items in Grey with a * are Third Ave Christian Centre (TACC) rentals.

This Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Church Office Closed 10:30a.m. Advent 2 Communion 12:00p.m. Free Lunch After Lunch: Advent Study 3:00p.m. Michelle's piano Student Recital 6:30p.m. Barn Service on the Lawn	Church Office Closed 7:00p.m. Knit and Crochet 	*5:30p.m. Russian Preschool 	10:30a.m. Staff Mtg *11:30a.m. WW 3:00p.m. Third Ave News Deadline *5:30p.m. Preschool
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Next Sunday
12:00p.m. Thursdays at 3 rd Avenue Free Noon Hour Concert 7:15p.m. Choir Practice	9:30a.m. Michelle practicing *11:30a.m. WW	Church Office Closed	Church Office Closed 10:30a.m. Advent 3 Church School Pageant 12:00p.m. Free Lunch After Lunch: Advent Study

Upcoming Services

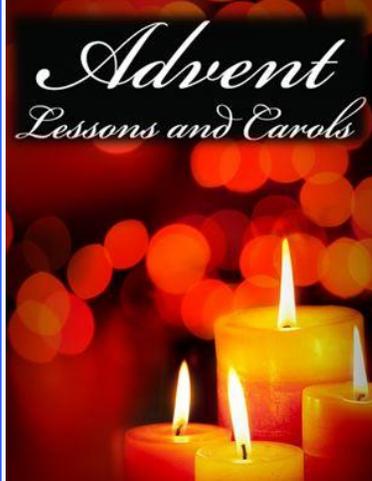
December 14

December 21

Christmas Eve – Dec 24



Church School Pageant



Advent Lessons and Carols



Family Candlelight Service
7:00 p.m.



Candlelight Service
11:00 p.m.
With Guest Trumpeter **Barrie Redford**

Rosanna Parry Photography

Happening at Third Avenue United Church

Thursdays at Third Ave

Thursdays at Third Avenue Free Noon Hour Concerts

Dec 11 – Silas Friesen (Trumpet) & Michelle Aalders (Organ & Piano)
Dec 18 – Troubadours Du Bois



Each program begins at 12:05 p.m.
Donations Appreciated.
Please feel free to bring a bagged lunch!
Coffee and tea available.

Barn Service

Third Avenue United Church Annual Barn Service on the Lawn

December 7 at 6:30 p.m.
Come experience the Christmas Story in a stable setting.



There will also be a petting zoo, hot chocolate, carolling, sleigh rides and family fun.

Benevolent Offering

Today we will have a Recessional Offering at the end of service. This offering is used to replenish our Benevolent Fund. The Church office has an average of four requests a week for assistance. The fund is used to buy grocery gift cards and bus fare for those in need. We are also in need of men's warm socks and mitts.



Advent Study

The Advent study will resume this Sunday, December 7 right after the lunch in the boardroom.



The Study is called Under Wraps: the gift we never expected.

Pay It Forward

A reminder to check the Random Acts of Kindness list by the kitchen and sign up. We want to encourage doing nice things for others as well as supporting our amazing Senior Church School Class. Big Thank you to Molly Moors for presenting this at our contemporary service.

In The Community

Christmas Sparkle Zodiac Tapestry Handbells Concert
Friday, Dec. 12@ 7:30 pm.
Grace-Westminster United Church (505 10th Street East)
Special guests include Barrie Redford and Eric Woodsworth (Trumpet duo).
Admission \$15 at the door.



Cookie Walk
Saturday, December 13th 11am-until quantities last
Mayfair United Church (902-33rd Street West)
Free Admission

Save time and money. We give you gloves and ice cream pails and you fill them with your choice of cookies or dainties. You can buy as few or as many as you like. A huge selection to choose from.
\$8.00 per pound.

Be sure to shop early for the best selection of cookies/dainties.

Gifts with Vision

The United Church of Canada developed the giving catalogue Gifts with Vision for members to be able to give gifts to relatives, friends, and loved ones that are in direct support of the church's Mission and Service Fund partners across Canada and around the world. If you are seeking inspiring new gift ideas or perhaps would rather not give family and friends the same old clothes/toys/chocolates, Gifts with Vision presents a new way to celebrate special occasions. Give a gift that can help change people's lives! Catalogues are in the magazine racks in the Narthex or visit the website at <https://www.giftswithvision.ca>

Magazine Order

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