

Third Ave News

From the Pews . . . and beyond
February 22, 2015

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.



Headsets 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.

VIV – Very Important Volunteers

You have tremendous value to God and to this church.
We could definitely utilize your gifts.
On Sunday mornings, greeters are a welcoming face at the door. Our VIV also assist people entering the church – holding open doors, handing them a bulletin, directing them to specific locations in the building and inviting them downstairs to join us for lunch.
Imagine you have never been to Third Ave United before or have never been to any church.
Wouldn't you want to be greeted when you enter and treated like the very special person you are?
Wouldn't you want to like to be told about the lunch or what is happening in church today?
Wouldn't you like to know at least one person when you decide to come down for coffee?
Wouldn't you want to know who to ask if you have questions?



We also need scripture readers for each week.
Sign up sheets are easy to find on the Narthex bulletin board.
We are fortunate to have such a helpful congregation.
Let's see if we can get volunteers from now until the summer break.

Volunteers

Scripture Readers

Today:

Holly Brown

Next Sunday:

Claire Card

Ushers




Today:

Debbie Underwood

Next Sunday:
Your Name Here

Check out our 40 Days of Lent Activities on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Third-Avenue-United-Church-Saskatoon-SK/107659196908?ref=hl>

This Week at 3rd Avenue – February 22 – March 1

This Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Church Office Closed 10:30a.m. Contemporary Lent 1 Service Communion Benevolent Offering 12:00p.m. Lunch 12:15p.m. Lenten Study 12:15p.m. Sanctuary Booked	Church Office Closed 7:00p.m. Knit and Crochet 	10:30a.m. Staff Mtg. 12:00p.m. Staff Lunch 6:30p.m. Russian Preschool	11:30a.m. WW 3:00p.m. Third Ave News Deadline 5:30p.m. Russian Preschool 7:30 p.m. Unified Board Meeting
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Next Sunday
7:15p.m. Choir Practice 		Church Office Closed 8:30a.m. Ladies Breakfast at Tomas Cook on Idylwyld	Church Office Closed 10:30a.m. Lent 2 Service 12:00p.m. Lunch 12:15p.m. Lenten Study 12:15p.m. Sanctuary Booked

Coffee, Conversation and More

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

If you are able please bring baking or goodies to go with our lunch and 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 A - L.

Next Week: Last names starting with M - Z.



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 for all your help and we hope you enjoy this time together.

Givings – Feb 15	Church Duties	Readings March 1																					
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Third Avenue United Church Events

Benevolent Offering	Pancake Supper
<p>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 eight 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. Any offering you can give to those in need would be appreciated.</p> <p>*New* – the church is matching all donations made to the benevolent fund. So donate and double the amount given to those who come to our church in seek of aid.</p>	<p>Thank you to the Sanctuary Choir and friends for hosting and volunteering at the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. Thank you to all those who donated syrup and bought tickets.</p>

Lenten Easter Eggs	Lenten Study
<p>In this time of Lent the Sunday School Class has come up with a way to help other people. If you have any loose change in your pockets or purse please place it in the Easter egg that the children will provide. These eggs will be collected every week of lent before they go down to Sunday school The project the class is working towards is purchasing chickens and goats.</p> <p>For every 25 dollars we raise, 3 chickens or 1 goat will be purchased for a village in Juja central Kenya.</p>	<p>Rev. Donna will be leading a Lenten Study every Sunday in Lent after the community lunch. The Study is called <u>Longing for Home</u> and starts February 22.</p> <p>To follow the United Church video series: http://www.garypaterson.ca/2015/02/18/longing-for-home-lenten-study-week-one/ facebook discussion: https://www.facebook.com/groups/LongingforHome/</p>
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In The Community

<p>Martyn Joseph - Singer/Songwriter - Live at St. John’s Cathedral! Friday March 13, 2015 – 8:00 p.m. www.martynjoseph.net Proceeds to support the Cathedral Refugee Fund.</p> <p>Martyn Joseph is a performer like no other. Shades of Springsteen, John Mayer, Bruce Cockburn and Dave Matthews there may be - but he stands in his own right, built on a reputation for giving what thousands have described as the best live music experience of their lives.</p> <p>St. John's Cathedral - 816 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon. Tickets: \$15 advance; \$20 at the door. Purchase tickets at the Cathedral Office (306-242-5146); McNally Robinson Booksellers, and online at www.picatic.com</p>	<p>World Day of Prayer 2015 St. John’s Anglican Cathedral 816 Spadina Cres. E. Friday, March 6 2:00 p.m. Refreshments to follow the service. Service written by the women of the Bahamas</p>
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