

# Third Ave News



From the Pews . . . and beyond  
January 7, 2018

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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 downstairs after the service for refreshments.**

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 A – L.

**Next Week: Last names starting with M – Z.**

Please try to come early to set up if you are able We can also use help with clean up and dishes. Thank you.

## Readings for January 14

**1 Samuel 3:1–10, (11–20)**

God calls Samuel.

**Psalms 139:1–6, 13–18** (VU p. 861)

God has searched and known me.

**1 Corinthians 6:12–20**

Your body is a temple of God's Spirit.

**John 1:43–51**

Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael.

## This Week at 3rd Avenue – January 7 - 14

<b>This Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
Church Office Closed 9:30a.m. Choir practice 10:30a.m. Epiphany Service Gifts for Baby Jesus 11:30a.m. Social Time	7:00p.m. Knit and Crochet	10:30a.m. Staff Mtg 12:30p.m. Room Rental	9:00a.m. School Tour 11:30a.m. WW 4:00p.m. Third Ave News Deadline
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Next Sunday</b>
9:30a.m. Michelle practicing	9:30a.m. Michelle practicing	Church Office Closed	Church Office Closed 10:30a.m. Communion Service with Rev. Brian Maitland

## Happening at Third Avenue United Church

### Gifts for Baby Jesus

Today, **January 7** we will have gifts for baby Jesus. All donations can be left under the large Christmas tree at the front of the sanctuary. The church school will open them after service and they will be donated to the Saskatoon Crisis Nursery.



### Food Bank

Please remember that our Food Bank hamper is in the Narthex. Donations of non-perishable foods can be made on Sunday and a volunteer will take them over to the Food Bank.

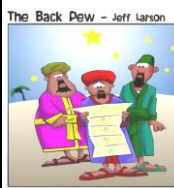
### Prayer Cycle

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity  
(More information on the insert)

Moose Jaw:  
St. Andrew's  
Shell Lake Partners  
in Worship  
**Saskatoon: St. David's  
Trinity**



### Humour from the pews



Being 3 wise men the journey to baby Jesus took longer than expected because they refused to stop and ask for directions.

## Thank yous

A big thank you to everyone who helped to make our Advent season go so well.

We had lots of volunteers with decorating, reading, lighting candles, playing music, singing, ushering, making coffee, cooking, serving, setting up and closing after worship, cleaning, stuffing bulletins, donating, bringing merriment and the list goes on. This congregation is made up of very giving people who are there for each other and the community. Thank you for being a part of Third Avenue this past Advent. Please invite your friends and neighbours to join us for service.



Thank you to all those who helped make the Thursdays at Third Avenue Noon Hour Concerts possible. We had a great turnout this year and with 160

attending the last concert. The three concerts had a total of \$1336.05 made in donations.

## Givings

Dec. 17		Dec. 24		Dec. 31	
General (Local)	\$ 315.00	General (Local)	\$ 1390.00	General (Local)	\$ 102.00
Mission & Service	\$ 30.00	Mission & Service	\$ 30.00	Mission & Service	\$ 5.00
Refugee	\$ 25.00	Christmas	\$ 780.00	Christmas	\$ 255.00
Benevolent	\$ 10.00	Loose	\$ 885.10	Loose	\$ 45.00
Loose	\$ 6.50	Coffee	\$ 4.25	Coffee	\$ 3.05
Coffee	\$ 17.55	<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>\$ 3089.35</b>	<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>\$ 410.55</b>
<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>\$ 404.05</b>				

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**  
**From The Staff and Board of TAUC**