







Welcome to  
Sunday Morning Worship  
10:30 a.m., March 3, 2024



## MISSION STATEMENT

“St. Andrew’s United Church is a progressive worshipping community dedicated to spiritual growth, caring, and inclusivity that is providing outreach to the community and the world.”

Our worship leader is Fred Mathieson. Hannah Elich is on the piano/organ with Jenna Nash also leading the choir; their music brings life and joy to our Sunday mornings!

**Please note: We will not be passing the plate; there is a box for your donations at the Sanctuary entrance.**

**Please join us for coffee and refreshments  
after the service!**

## Opening Words and Prayer

### Acknowledgement of the Territory

### Acknowledgement of the Lit Candle

### Announcements and Celebrations



### Call to Worship (based on Psalm 107)

One: God is good; God's steadfast love lasts forever.

***All: We know it; we believe it; we proclaim it!***

One: God is good; God's steadfast love lasts forever.

***All: Those who thirst for new life are satisfied; those who hunger for the living Word are filled!***

One: God is good; God's steadfast love lasts forever.

***All: Those imprisoned will know freedom; sinners will know pardon.***

One: God is good; God's steadfast love lasts forever.

**All: *The powerful are humbled; the needy are raised up from their distress.***

One: God is good!

**All: *God's steadfast love lasts forever!***

### **Opening Prayer**

One: You are with us as we go with Jesus towards Jerusalem, and we are thankful.

**All: *You stay with us in the tough moments of reflection and confession.***

One: You are with us, reminding us of all that sustains us as a faith community.

**All: *We are sustained in our common life of faith, and our mutual encouragement.***

One: You are with us as we affirm your realm of love and of justice in the world.

**All: *You inspire us to mission; you are at the heart of our service to others.***

One: You are with us as we walk beside the cross-carrying Jesus.

**All: *You remind us of the call to discipleship, and to confront evil in this world.***

One: Most gracious God,

**All: *stay with us! Amen.***

**Hymn:** VU # 409 Morning *has broken*

- **Scripture Readings**

Exodus 20: 1-17

Psalm 19 (VU p. 740)

John 2: 13-22

**Hymn:** VU # 401 Worship *the Lord*

**Reflection:** *"Every starting over begins by letting go of things as we would have them be."*

**Hymn:** VU # 412 *"This is the day"*

## **Minute for Mission**

### **Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

***Our Mother and Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.***

**Hymn:** VU # 120 *"O Jesus, I have promised"*

### **Commissioning**

One: Let us go forward with love and action.

***All: We will appreciate the good things and memories of the past; we will assess our qualities and talents of the present; we will continue to do the best we can with the many blessings that have been given to us.***

One: Go forth, knowing that always and everywhere we are resting in God's loving arms. Amen.

### **Recessional Music**

#### ***Living Skies Regional Council Prayer Cycle 2024***

##### **March 3**

International Women's Day (March 8)

Eston: St. Andrew's

Five Oaks (SM) (*Naicam, Spalding*)

Foam Lake, Leslie (*Foam Lake*)

Thank you to everyone who participated in today's worship service. Please remember that St. Andrew's United is "Scent-Free".

## **Latest news from St. Andrews:**

Donations:

Attendance February 25 - 63

Local: \$634.00

Other donations:

M & S: \$28.25

PAR – Monthly - \$1133.00, M&S - \$120.00

**Please see Cheryl if you want to start donating through PAR or increase you monthly donation for 2024.**

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## **Announcements:**

**Envelopes:** Unfortunately, we must order a minimum of 25 and I only have 7 requested. I am unable to order more. Please use the blank envelopes in the Narthex and write your number on them. Thank you!

**Outreach** has received a large donation of yarn and is offering it to anyone who wants to make things for the Mitten Tree at Christmas time. Please see Cheryl in the office to grab some. Thanks!

**Minto** is having a Ham supper on March 15<sup>th</sup>. Please call Linda to get tickets: 306-694-1029.

**Zion** is hosting a concert with Janet Wilson playing the Cassavant Organ and Cara Wilson playing Handbells on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Free will offering o the Heartland Hospice.

**NEW:** Congratulations to two new Affirming ministries in our Regional Council! Westminster United Church in Humboldt and Mayfair United Church in Saskatoon will be holding their

public worship and celebration to mark their official Affirming status, which reflects many years of inclusive commitments that have come before, and many more yet to come.

**NEW:** St. Andrew's College Year of Intention Final Webinar Building on the momentum of our first three online webinars, the Saskatoon Theological Union continues our Year of Intention in 2024. This involves educating ourselves about sexual orientation and gender identity, and exploring new ways to be in solidarity and celebration with LGBTQIA2S+ communities in the church and beyond. Our final webinar is scheduled for Tuesday March 19, from 7:30-9pm (Sask time). It will be an online panel discussion featuring parents of transgender and non-binary youth, speaking from faith-based perspectives.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83025714114?pwd=hdb1xwpcyg7oXPX1KsS1ldr9lpvzMZ.1>

**NEW:** Tending the Light Within - A Zoom-Based Spring Retreat - Monday, April 8, 15, and 22nd, 2024 (1:30-5:00 CST) In this Spring-filled month of April, teeming with both its dull muckiness and flamboyant beauty, we will be gifted with an extra 2 hours, 7 minutes, and 22 seconds of gorgeous life-giving sunlight. In this retreat, as we draw from the work of Brene Brown, we will invite this splendid light that makes stained-glass windows and the natural world shine with vibrant colors to accompany us as we reflect upon ways to keep: \* our inner light sparking like the glistening snow as it melts, \* our resiliency glowing during the mucky moments of life, \* and our joy radiating like the world coming into blossom. For full details, visit:

<https://www.freeflowwellness.ca/retreats>. Registration deadline March 30.

**NEW:** Save the Date! Our next online Contemplative Gathering will be held on Friday April 19, at 10am (Sk time). More details and registration information will be available

soon ... in the meantime, please contact Dr. Bernon Lee if you have any questions

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**Updated:** Save the date – Sask UCCW AGM and Gathering – Saturday, April 27, 2024 at St. David's Trinity United Church (3318 Merritt Street, Saskatoon). The Saskatchewan United Church Women's Gathering is for all the women of The United Church of Canada. Our guests are the Rt. Rev. Jordan Cantwell, former Moderator of the United Church and the Growth Animator for the Prairies and Carolle Dallas-Arbuckle, Representing our National UCW. Theme: Growing Spiritually based on Scripture: Mark 1:29 – 39. This is from verse 34: "And he healed many who were sick with various diseases; and cast out many demons. And He would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew Him." Registration: 9:00 am., with the Programme to follow at 10:45 a.m. More information to follow. NEW: Music Matters AGM and conference, May 2-5, 2024, at St. Paul's United Church (Thunder Bay, ON) or online. Music Matters and its AGM are open to everyone who is interested in music in The United Church of Canada—music leaders, singers, instrumentalists, lay volunteers, clergy. There are a variety of payment options to suit your needs; the suggested fee is \$200 per person, with a sliding scaling down to \$150, depending on circumstance. Registration to participate online is \$75. Register, and for more information and the schedule, email [worship@united-church.ca](mailto:worship@united-church.ca), or visit Music United.

### **Committee meetings**

UCW – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday @ 2 pm

Outreach – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday @ 4pm

Worship – 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday bi-monthly @ 9:30am

Choir practice – Sundays 9:30 a.m.

Weekly Schedule			
Moose Jaw Scouting	Social Hall	Monday Friday/Sunday	Bi-weekly 5:00pm
Yoga in Moose Jaw	Chapel	Mon.	6:00pm
		Thurs.	
Youth group w/Lisa	Chapel	Sunday Tues.	1:00pm 7:00pm
Crazy Happy Zumba	Social Hall	Tues.	5:00pm
		Thur.	
Line Dancing	Social Hall	Wednesday	10:00am
Bible study	Minister's Office	Wednesday	10:00am
Easy Does It (Al-Anon)	Lounge	Wednesday	7:00pm
Movement with Sue	Chapel	Wednesday	5:30pm
Hi-Steppers (A.A.)	Lounge	Fri.	7:00pm
Enough is enough (N/A)	Lounge  Chapel	Sun., Mon., Tues. Thurs. Friday	7:00 p.m.