

## First United Church

Swift Current, SK

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Choir Director: James McLauchlan

Office Manager: Patti McCleary & Rhonda Lotochinski

Sunday School Coordinator: currently vacant

## Radio Broadcasts

of our worship services can be heard on the  
third Sunday of the month

at **11:00 am** on **Radio CKSW 570**

(next broadcast is May 21st)

If you would like to sponsor a broadcast,  
please contact the church office. Cost \$130.

## Baked Items for CMHA

You are invited to bring baked items for CMHA  
to the church on

**Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> or Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to noon & 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

They are looking for any kind of baking such as  
cookies, muffins, pies, dainties, tarts or cakes.

**If you are not a baker but would still like to help out,**  
granola bars, Ziploc sandwich baggies, and individual  
portions of pudding, yogurt and breakfast oatmeal are  
also appreciated.

## Sunday, April 23, 2023

A warm welcome to all  
who are worshipping with us today!  
Whether you are joining us in person  
or watching via livestream  
please know, you are a part of our family.

## Upcoming Meetings & Activities

- Sunday, April 23 – Circle Conversation,  
11:45 a.m. in the Burnham room.
- Sunday, April 23 – Worship & Music meeting,  
1:00 p.m. on Zoom.
- Monday, April 24 – Earthcare Partners,  
7:00 p.m. on Zoom.
- Tuesday, April 25 – UCW meeting, 10:00 a.m. in  
the Cypress Lounge.
- Wednesday, April 26 – Lectionary Bible Study,  
CANCELLED.
- Wednesday, April 26 – Boutique & Garage Sales,  
11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 26 – Creation Station,  
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Creative Art Space.
- Wednesday, April 26 – Choir Practice,  
7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.
- Thursday, April 27 – Coffee Time,  
10:30 a.m. in the Cypress Lounge.

## **Annette will be Away**

**April 24 – May 2, 2023**

While she is away please call the church office  
for pastoral care emergencies.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Green manure are crops that increase soil health, plant health and garden fertility. Some examples are annual red clover, which is also edible, annual buckwheat, annual rye and any legume like peas and beans. Work the mature plants right into the soil or put the plants into your compost. No need for expensive or chemical fertilizer.

### **Spring Fundraiser Supper**

**Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**5:30 p.m. in the gym**

Ham, scalloped potatoes, carrots, corn, salads, buns and apple and pumpkin pie for dessert

Limit of 150 tickets sold. Maximum of 100 people in the gym. Remaining 50 tickets will be take out.

**Tickets are now on sale in the foyer today and the church office.**

Adults: \$20; Children 6-11 yrs: \$10; under 6 years are free.

For our **Spring Book Study** this year, we will be discussing *The Gospel of Trees* by Apricot Irving.

The study will commence on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 over Zoom and will run for four weeks (May 16, 23, and 30). To sign up, please contact the church office. Deb Fletcher will be facilitating.

### **Budget Feedback from Congregation**

The Leadership Team has begun the process of addressing concerns raised at the AGM over the budget deficit. We are inviting the congregation to offer suggestions. If you have any ideas for increasing revenue or decreasing expenses that you believe warrant further exploration please write them down and leave them in the offering plate or at the church office by May 8.

The Fundraising & Creation Station Interest Groups are having a

### **Mother's Day Card and Bake Sale**

in the foyer following the worship service on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> and again on Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. On May 14<sup>th</sup> we will also be selling pink carnations for \$5 each. Donations of baking would be greatly appreciated. All proceeds go to the church's general operating fund.

### **Calling all Cardmakers!**

Creation Station will be open **Tuesday, April 25th at 2pm** for card making for the fundraiser on May 7<sup>th</sup> and 14th. Come and make use of the supplies we have been given. If you are unable to come and would like to donate cards you have made, we would be happy to receive them before May 7th.

### **St Andrew's College Sunday**

On Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> we are hosting Rev. Shawn Sanford Beck from St. Andrew's College. On that Sunday we will taking a special offering for the college. Donations will go towards the pledge made by our congregation at our Annual Meeting. Please make cheques payable to First United Church.

### **Donations for Living Wall**

Due to the popularity of the Living Wall last summer, the planting project will go ahead again in 2023. Our Church volunteers are looking for some donations to make the wall grow!

They will be looking for some of the following:

- Topsoil
- Compost
- Composted manure
- Plant food
- Bedding plants and Herbs

Please leave bags of dirt behind the wall

Thank you, Earthcare Partners and friends.