

Announcements

Sunday, December 10, 2023

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Upcoming Meetings & Activities

- Tuesday, December 12 – Advent Study, 2:00 p.m. in the Chinook room & on Zoom
- Wednesday, December 13 – Lectionary Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. in person & on Zoom
- Wednesday, December 13 – Boutique & Garage Sales, 11:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, December 13 – Choir practice, 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Thursday, December 14 – Coffee Time, 10:30 a.m. in Cypress Lounge

Christmas Hampers

In your Christmas letter, you should have received a special green offering envelope for monetary donations to purchase Co-op gift cards for our “Christmas Hampers”.

This year we have 16 families (**43 people in total**) who are in need of a hamper.

Please consider donating to this very worthwhile project.

(Deadline is Sunday, December 17th)

Melodies of Christmas is Back!

Sunday, December 17 at 7pm

You are invited to join the First United Church Choir for an evening of music featuring some of Swift Currents finest musicians.

Reception to follow.

A Silver collection will be taken for First United Church Refugee Sponsorship & our General Fund.

Care Home Service

Friday, December 17, 2023

Prairie View Lodge at 3:00 p.m.

Please come and join in the singing!

Blue Christmas Service

Thursday, December 21, 2023

at East Side Church of God at 7:00 p.m.

This service is offered by the Swift Current & Area Ministerial
to provide an honest and reflective time of worship for
those who are struggling with loss during this Christmas season

THANK YOU

to everyone who donated items
to the children's **Christmas Shopping Day** and
to all those who helped with the wrapping!

Thank You!

to Diane Minogue, Kelly Minogue, Mavis Jenson,
Wally Bateman and Ila Wilms
for the beautiful

Advent/Christmas decorations

in our church building.

Thank you for sharing your time and
your amazing creativity and artistry.

The Outreach Committee & Creation Station would like to

thank everyone

who supported their

Baking, Preserves, Greeting Cards and Christmas decorations Sale

on Sunday, November 19th and 26th.

**A total of \$1131.50 was raised
for Mission & Service!**

Thank you to everyone for supporting our

Christmas Tea and Bake Sale on Saturday, December 2.

We raised \$1,447.90 for our General fund.

**The church office will be closed
on December 25th, December 26th
and January 1st
for the Christmas Holidays.**

Offerings for 2023:
Please have all donations
into the church office by
noon on Friday, December 29th
so they can be receipted for 2023.

Hearing Assist Devices
are available at the soundboard
(located at the center back of the sanctuary)
in order that all might participate in our worship service.
If you would like to try out one of these devices
please feel free to approach our sound technician
or one of the ushers.

Can You Help Us Out?
Our Social Convenors are looking for
empty **ice cream pails** to use in the kitchen and
Earthcare Partners are looking for
empty **4 litre vinegar jugs** for the Living Wall.
If you have any to spare
please drop them off at the upstairs kitchen.
Thanks!

giftswith**vision**

<https://giftswithvision.ca/>

The United Church of Canada
developed Gifts with Vision in response
to requests to be able to give gifts to relatives, friends, and
loved ones that directly support projects developed by the
church's Mission & Service partners

DID YOU KNOW?

Shopping locally means less packaging, less waste, and less demand on landfills. 3 billion trees are pulped yearly to produce 241 million tons of shipping cartons, the forest conservation group Canopy found. Of the 86 million tons of plastic packaging produced globally each year, not even 14% is recycled.