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The Order for Easter

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: 115 MV, Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New

Scripture: Mark 16:1-8 *p. 54*

Hymn: 115 MV, Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New

Prayer: This is the day of Resurrection.

This is the day of our Resurrection.

This is the way of our God.

From death new life arises, always.

We proclaim the Good News, for ourselves and for all creation: Rejoice! Rejoice! and be glad. The tomb of the Christ is empty. Our own tomb of despair is empty. We sing to you, our God, who brings light and life to all our moments of death. May we trust you always, may we trust the truth of Resurrection. May we live fully as people who have died and who are now alive.

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Passing the Peace of Christ

Hymn: 175 VU, This is the Day That God Has Made

Scripture:

Acts 10:34-43

p. 129

The Gospel from Today: Carter Heyward

Musical Pause

Sermon

Hymn: 178 VU, Because You Live, O Christ

Minute for Mission: "Happy Easter from Overseas"

Offertory: **We cannot always be at the places of need to serve our brothers and sisters. Our hearts go out to those whom we would offer a word of peace or a sip of water. May these gifts from our living and working also go where we cannot, taking our love to those in need.**

Prayers of the community, Prayer of Jesus

Hymn: 179 VU, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks

Benediction

Choral Close: 115 MV, Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New

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The Life and Work of the Congregation April 12, 2009

Welcome! We are glad you came! **Visitors** are asked to sign our guest book in the vestibule. **All are invited** to the auditorium following the service for refreshments and visiting.

Coffee (regular and decaf.) and juice are being served in the narthex each morning before the service. This is an opportunity to socialize prior to the Sunday worship services and is one way congregations are engaging in the **Emerging Spirit Campaign**.

This morning:

Head Usher: Beverley Andres

Ushers and Greeters: Clifford Hayes
Dorcas Hayes

Greeter and Lift Operator: Beverley Andres

Reader: Heather MacKay

Today's bulletin is sponsored by Laretta Collison in loving memory of deceased members of Happy Unit and Bethel 60 Plus Club.

Bethel United Church welcomes Audrey Bayduza as organist at our Easter Sunday worship service.

Norm will be conducting the service **today** (Easter Sunday) at **Stensrud Lodge** - the service begins at **1:30 p.m.**

Bethel Patio Sale, Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale

This event is about to take place – this Saturday, April 18, beginning at 8:00 a.m. We hope that you've decided to do what you can – whether you're donating items, baking or your time.

It's not too late to sign up – and more help is needed.

We'll see you on Saturday – even if you're simply looking for a good deal. That's another important way to support the church.

(Please bring baking to the church on Friday afternoon, if possible; otherwise by 9:00 a.m. Saturday.)

THESE DAYS – Daily Devotions for Living by Faith for April, May & June 2009 are now available in the narthex.

The Pastoral Care Committee will meet April 19th (next Sunday) after church in the Trudy Doidge Room.

Soups, Biscuits and Desserts

**Want to make "getting into hot water"
a positive experience?**

Come out for a Gourmet Lunch

**Soups, Biscuits and Cheesecake Desserts
April 26th in the gym, immediately following
the 10:30 service.**

**Proceeds will go toward the hot water heater
for Bethel's new dishwasher.**

Hot Water Heater/Dishwasher Fund

To date we have raised \$170.50 (from the cookie drive), \$515.65 (from the Soup n' Sandwich lunch) for a total of \$686.15. The hot water heater has been purchased; it will be installed shortly. Thank you very much for your generosity.

Meals on Wheels: Volunteers are needed to continue delivering meals. The sign-up calendar is on the literature table. Bethel's coordinator is Shirley McKay (374-4883).

Check out Bethel's website for general information about our church, our service and news and events. The site address is: www.bethelsaskatoon.com or go to the WonderCafe site and do a church search using either the church name or postal code. **Any information for our website** must be forwarded through the church office. Information from a source, other than the church office, will not be posted.

Dessert & Discussion: Thursday, April 16th, at 7:15 p.m. at Tastebuds, 1624 Lorne Avenue.

Norm is in his office for part of the day Tuesday to Friday most weeks. Feel free to drop in if you see his car parked in its spot. In an effort to be more easily accessible, he will be in his office Tuesday evenings 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. and Thursday mornings 9:00 – noon. However, for this week (April 14th to 16th) Norm is on study leave and will not have regular office hours.

Upper Room – Daily Devotional Guide for May - June 2009 are now available in the narthex.

Other Church and Community events:

Please support the **LutherCare Foundation's 25th Annual Fundraising Dinner** to be held on **Friday, April 24th** at the **Travelodge Hotel** – the cost per ticket is \$100.00. See poster by the church office for more detailed information regarding time, etc.

St. Andrew's College would like to remind everyone about the 3rd Annual "Alive and Well" fund-raising dinner on Monday April 20, 2009, only two weeks away. **Tickets** are available from **St. Andrew's College (966-8973)**. They would like to confirm their numbers by April 13 (tomorrow) for the caterer, so this will be the last chance to buy tickets – cost is \$100.00 per person. This event is on **Monday, April 20, 2009**, at **6:00 p.m.** at **McClure United Church**.

Butterfly Tea - Grace-Westminster United Church UCW Spring Tea and Silent Auction will be held on **Saturday, May 2, 2009** from **2:00 – 4:00 p.m.** See posted information.

Can you help? The Canadian Cancer Society is in need of volunteers to help with the Door-to-Door Residential Campaign held on April 19, 2009. If you can spare an hour of your time to help fight cancer, please call Odette Lloyd at 244-2557 or 244-4389 for more information.

'Kids of Note' performing their Spring Concert at **Grosvenor Park United** on **Sun., May 3 at 3:00 p.m.** – more on poster.

Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Centre (Ph.#242-1916) The 19th Annual Summer Ecumenical Institute Conference will be held June 2 – 5, 2009 at the Queen's House of Retreats. The theme is - "Telling our Story, Shaping our Future: Christian unity and reconciliation in Canada". Keynote speaker for the Conference is Fr. Tom Ryan and worship leaders are Cheryl & Bruce Harding. See bulletin board for details regarding registration for this Conference and dates of other events. Website: www.queenshouse.org

The Joy of Blended Families – Christian Counseling Services is excited to offer this one day workshop at Westgate Alliance Church, 3315 Centennial Drive on April 25, 2009 and a second time at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1636 Acadia Drive on May 23, 2009. Must pre-registration – seating limited to 20 each session. To register call 244-9890 – more details are posted.

PAPER REDUCTION: 'Reduce – Reuse – Recycle'. Angie Bugg has a list of ideas that we can practice regarding reduction and recycling of paper and that will help save trees. To Live with Respect in Creation is an article she has written; it is posted on the bulletin board by the office.

Westgate Alliance Church at 3315 Centennial Drive is offering a Basic Parenting Group - 8 Week Certificate Program by Sherrie Michalishen who is a Certified Adlerian Parent Facilitator. You must complete all 8 weeks to receive certificate. It is held on Wednesday evenings and supper and childcare is provided. This is offered at no cost and addresses 5 topics. See poster for all the information. Call 382-6512.

15th Annual Women's Gathering - Retreat at Minto United Church in Moose Jaw on April 24 – 26/09. See bulletin board.

Saskatoon Adlerian Society is sponsoring 'A Day For Parents' – Saturday, April 25th at Mayfair United Church. Details are posted.

Grosvenor Park United Church's Congregational Life and Outreach Committee Presents:

"An Educational Exposure Trip to El Salvador" A Chance to Learn and Question...

Using a power point presentation, Terry Harrison and Dawn Guenther will give historical background on El Salvador and tell us about their experiences on their ten day trip - **Wednesday, April 22 at 7:00** in **Schnell Hall** (basement). All are welcome to attend this interesting evening.

Redeemer Lutheran and St. Philip Neri Roman Catholic Group are having a **Potluck Supper** on **Sunday, April 26, 2009** at **Redeemer Lutheran Church @ 5:00 p.m.** Rev. J. Halmarson will be the speaker – topic "Sharing Our Ecumenical Gift Together".

Mayfair United Church - Sunday Spring Smorgasbord on **April 26, 2009**. Times - 4:30 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. To obtain tickets call **382-6446**. Information regarding menu is posted.

Creating Spirit Gallery Art Show and Sale at Meewasin Valley United Church – 327 Pinehouse Drive. Enjoy beverages and Snacks during our “Meet the Artists Event” on Thursday, April 23, 2009 from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Feature Artist from April 1 to May 15/2009 is **Diana Steel** -info posted.

St. Martin’s United Church Mammoth Garage Sale will be held on April 18, 2009 starting at 8:30 to 2:00 (the same day as Bethel’s is holding our Patio Sale, Bake Sale and Pancake Breakfast). This may help us, as people may go to theirs and then come to our sale.

Zodiac Tapestry Handbells Spring Ring to be held on **Saturday, April 25, 2009** at **Grace-Westminster United Church** (505 – 10th Street E.) at 7:30 pm. Special Guest: The Meewasin Brass - tickets can be obtained at the door are \$10.00.

The **8th Joint Saskatoon Theological Union Convocation** takes place on **May 8th** at **7:00 p.m.** at **St. Timothy’s Anglican Church**. Earned and honorary degrees will be presented. The Convocation address will be given by Dr. Bruce Perlman, President of Luther College, Regina.

Adult Faith Formation in our Congregations: Will be held on April 17/2009 at Minto United Church (1036 – 7th Ave. NW, Moose Jaw, SK). **Registration Deadline - April 13th**. It will be held again at Westminster United Church, 708 – 13th Ave. Humboldt, Sk on June 13, 2009. Registration deadline for this event is June 5th. Application is on bulletin board.

Dates to Remember:

Saturday, April 25 – Scout’s Bottle Drive
 Tuesday, May 5 – Quilt Show
 Saturday, May 9 – Ham Supper

Meetings and events this week:

Monday:

- Bethel Art Group, 9:30

Tuesday:

- Staff Meeting, 9:30

Wednesday:

- Bible Study, 10:00 (come at 9:30 for coffee, if you wish).

Friday:

- Set-up for Patio Sale, Bake Sale and Pancake Breakfast

Saturday:

- Patio Sale and Bake Sale, 8:00 a.m. to noon
 - Pancake Breakfast, 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Scripture readings for next Sunday, April 19:

Psalm 133 VU, p.856 Acts 4:32-35 John 20:19-31

Stewardship Seconds 2009 - April 12:

As stewards, how do we respond to the good news of Easter, remembering the angel’s words “Be not afraid”?