

# Westminster United Church

## Week of November 21, 2021 Announcements

### Westminster Staff:

Minister: Darrell Reine  
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Darrell is in the office from Monday to Thursday

### Saskatchewan Pastoral Charges Held in Prayer:

This week we hold the communities of: Saskatoon  
McClure, North Battleford: Third Ave., Omega,  
Bengough, Pangman, Pelly. May they continue to  
lighten people with God's compassion, light, and  
love.

Operating expense each week: \$3,732.00  
Offering for Local- by mail, e- transfer or  
drop off: \$1,360.00  
Offering this week PAR local: \$970.25  
Offering for - M & S by mail, e transfer or  
drop off: \$130.00  
Offering this week PAR M & S: 161.25  
Outreach Ministries PAR plus donations: \$150.00  
Building fund:  
Outdoor Space Revitalization total: \$935.00  
Organ fund: \$50.00  
Change for Change \$130.00  
Adopt A Family Total \$150.00

### Our month at a glance:

Nov. 21 Sun. Congregational Meeting right after  
worship in the Sanctuary

Don't forget the Mistletoe Market this Saturday  
1- 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall

A weekend confirmation class is taking place  
November 26<sup>th</sup> evening, November 27<sup>th</sup> (10-3 or 4)  
and may need to finish after church on November  
28. If you are interested in joining others, please let  
Darrell know.

### Advent Scripture Conversation

Join Darrell for all four or some Wednesday  
mornings at 10:30am for a look at the scriptures  
being used during Advent. Sessions will be about 90  
minutes maximum. Those wishing to join, please let  
Darrell **know by email** so he can send out the  
scriptures ahead of time. We will be meeting in a  
space that will accommodate physical distancing for  
the number of people attending. Starting Nov. 24.

God is the beginning and the end of all that we have,  
are, and do. Knowing that, how do you respond?



Winter is around the  
corner! You can donate  
homemade or purchased  
mitts, scarves and toques to  
decorate the mitten  
trees. Please remember that  
we need more school aged  
articles, older youth and  
some adult. There is less  
need for infant even though they are welcomed. We  
are not collecting other clothing items unless you  
have a good used winter coat or sweaters. Our  
items go to schools in the area as well as the  
Indigenous Christian Fellowship in North  
Central. Let's keep people warm this year! Let us  
make a difference!

**Gifts with a Vision** - this Christmas or actually, anytime, you can purchase a gift for someone from the "Gifts with a Vision" catalogue. Your gift can help change the world! It could be a gift of healing and reconciliation, a gift of education, a gift to address poverty and hunger. These gifts can be Canadian or global. The gift is purchased for an organization on behalf of the person you would like to buy the gift in their name. There is a card to let them know what you have done. Find the catalogues in the Narthex or you can find it online by visiting [giftswithvision.ca](http://giftswithvision.ca)



Deck the Halls! After church on Sunday, November 28 we invite you to stay and help decorate the church for Christmas. Grab a coffee from downstairs and come on up and we will make the sanctuary beautiful for the season. And keep January 9 after church in mind to take it all down again.

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*Call to action: Grave concern with Saskatchewan Income Support (SIS) Program Regina Anti-Poverty Ministry* (<https://united-church.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd49c778e05ec1f0bf7a04f14&id=a463e0a9bb&e=d7f5dfae8d>) is asking Living Skies Regional Council to write to our MLAs and the minister of social services. The concern: much evidence of growing poverty and sharply rising homelessness as we move into winter, due to deeply troubling changes in key social assistance programs in SK. This media story offers more personal stories and details (<https://united-church.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd49c778e05ec1f0bf7a04f14&id=bc78717758&e=d7f5dfae8d>) . Your voice is needed, wherever you live. Poverty is a reality for so many in SK, across all kinds of communities and many identities. We can do something about it. Please have a look at the action (<https://united-church.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd49c778e05ec1f0bf7a04f14&id=7d3d73bd01&e=d7f5dfae8d>) (website and

PDF versions available) and share it widely. Our world seems smaller and more confined since COVID began. May these stories help us see where our prayers and actions from home can support those we may never meet in person, but with whom we are part of the Body of Christ. Most of the ministry and resources you see here are supported by our Mission and Service givings. Updated: 40 Days of Anti-Racism As we move through these days together, we'll encounter people from our own Region, and the wider church and world. Please consider joining this important journey of reflection and transformation. Here's the latest newsletter (<https://united-church.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd49c778e05ec1f0bf7a04f14&id=e1446ad968&e=d7f5dfae8d>) , for November 1 onwards. Full details are right here (<https://united-church.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd49c778e05ec1f0bf7a04f14&id=f00c2670f3&e=d7f5dfae8d>).

United in Learning national webinars of all shapes and sizes can be found here (<https://united-church.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd49c778e05ec1f0bf7a04f14&id=c4d74a3cfd&e=d7f5dfae8d>) .

*Practically Prophetic: "Treasure Chest Of Prayer: An Ecumenical Panel Discussion Of Traditional & Devotional Practices"*

When: Tuesday, November 23rd, 7pm (Zoom Webinar)

Registration: <https://united-church.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd49c778e05ec1f0bf7a04f14&id=6de68d15bb&e=d7f5dfae8d>

More info: <https://united-church.us20.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd49c778e05ec1f0bf7a04f14&id=cd8c83788f&e=d7f5dfae8d>

Description: In an age which values spontaneity and personal expression, we find ourselves occasionally bereft of devotions which have stood the test of time. Join us as a panel of faith leaders share the prayers and traditions which support them and their communities in the ongoing life of the Spirit.

Panel Participants: Rev. Nora Vedress: Calvary United Church (Prince Albert), The Venerable Dan Hughes: All Saints Anglican Parish (Saskatoon), and Anastasia Gheysen: Roman Catholic Hospice at Glengarda (Saskatoon)