



Lakeview United Affirming Statement

You deserve to be welcomed here.

We strive to insure there are no barriers to inclusion within the Lakeview community: all races, ethnicities, genders, orientations, gender identities, abilities, ages, and people of all socioeconomic status, are welcome.

It is imperative that we recognize the value of diversity and are committed to embracing each individual with joy, compassion and love.

At Lakeview we believe that our community, the ministries which they undertake and the assets which it owns are to be used by all to promote equality and love.

Lakeview is committed to seeking out all races, ethnicities, genders, orientations, gender identities, abilities, ages, and people of all socioeconomic status to serve in all levels of governance, committees. Your voice is important and welcomed.

This is our pledge, that we will do our best to welcome you here.

Treaty 4 Territory

We are privileged to gather today in Treaty 4 Territory which is the traditional territory of the Cree peoples and the homeland of the Métis people.

Order of Service– December 15, 2024 – Advent 3

Introit Advent 3: (sung) Will You come, Gather In (on screen)

Welcome & Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

Advent Wreath Litany (responsive on screen)

Advent Candle Lighting Hymn: Christ, be our Light (x2)

Call to Worship (responsive on screen)

Opening Hymn: O Come, Divine Messiah! (lyrics on screen)

Prayer of the Day

Hebrew Scripture Reading: Zephaniah 3: 14-20

New Testament Reading: Philippians 4: 4-7

Special Music – Lakeview Praise Band – *Come to the Table*

Gospel Acclamation (responsive on screen)

The Gospel Reading: Luke 3: 7 - 18

Sermon/Reflection

Hymn of the Day: Days of Elijah (lyrics on screen)

An Affirmation of Hope (responsive on screen)

The Prayers of the People (response on screen)

Sharing the Peace (responsive on screen)

Hymn: #23 Voices United – Joy Shall Come (x2) (lyrics on screen)

Offertory Prayer (on screen)

Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (responsive on screen)

The Lord's Prayer (on screen)

Invitation (responsive on screen)

The Sharing of Communion - *Whoever you are and wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome at God's table. Please come forward and receive the bread and juice or wine. Gluten-free bread is available.*

Post-Communion Prayer (responsive on screen)

Benediction

Closing Song: City of God (lyrics on screen)

Commissioning Advent 3: (sung) May You Go Now in Joy (on screen)

Thank you to all who helped in today's service!

Worship Leader: Pastor Cheryl Toth

Music Director: Nathan Pylypuk

Special Music: Lakeview Praise Band – Stacey Domoslai, Lee & Ryan Elliott, Don Povey and Nadine Smith

Reader: Ken Ready

AV: Lily Tingley

Communications/Social Media: Catherine Ready

Hospitality: Kathy White, Rob Bredin, Judy Ready

Breadmaker: Blaine Scott

In case of a **pastoral emergency**, please contact **Rev Cheryl Toth** at **306-591-5924**.

Office Hours: Tuesday – Thursday from 9:30 – 4:30

Lakeview Newsletter: If you would like to receive the Lakeview email newsletter, please email your name to Cheryl C. in the office at lakeviewuc@sasktel.net and she will have you added.

Looking Ahead:

Dec 22 – Sunday service with Sunday school

Dec 24 – Christmas Eve at 6:30 no communion

Dec 29 – closed

Jan 5 – Sunday service

The office will be closed from noon on Dec 24th until 9:30 on Jan 2nd.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

End of Year Donation If you are planning to make a donation to the ministry of Lakeview before the end of the year, please do not send it by Canada Post. Even if the strike is settled soon, there will be a large backlog and there is no guarantee your donation will reach us in time. Options: 1. drop a cheque or cash off at the church office or in the Sunday offering; 2. make an e-transfer to lakeviewuc@sasktel.net but specify it is a donation and include your mailing address in the notes; 3. donate through Canada Helps. All donations must be received at the church no later than noon Dec 31 to be included in a tax receipt for 2024!

Study Group

For the **Mondays November 25 to December 16 at 1:00 p.m.**, the Study Group will be studying Advent and Christmas hymns. We will read the lyrics, discuss their meaning and then sing them. There are no prerequisites and you can come to any or all of the four sessions, either in person or on-line. If joining us on-line, you will need a copy of Voices United and More Voices. Contact Ron 639-590-6718 for the Zoom link. All are welcome whether you are a singer or not!



The Lakeview outreach committee, in partnership with the *Imperial Community School*, presents **The Elf Project**.

The elves are requesting donations for 12 hampers before **December 16th** please. Wreaths will be on display in the Welcome Centre to remind donors of the items they choose to donate.

Wrapping and delivery will be on **December 18**. All elves are welcome to help!

Christmas Candlelight Concert – Sunday, December 15th at 7 p.m. at Westminster United Church, 13th & Cameron Street - featuring Westminster Choir and Swing 'n' Soul Singers. Admission by donation. Elevator available.



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