

## **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 – March 23, 2025 Third Sunday in Lent

**Prelude:** Lakeview Choir – He Came in Love

Welcome & Announcements & Land Acknowledgement

**Moment of Silence** 

Lenten Response with Lighting of Candles: #125 More Voices - When a

Grain of Wheat (x2)

**Call to Worship** (responsive on screen)

**Opening Song:** #111 Voices United – As the Sun with Longer Journey

**Prayer of the Day** 

**Hebrew Scripture Reading:** Isaiah 55: 1-9

**Responsorial Psalm:** #781 Voices United – Psalm 63 (Refrain 2)

**New Testament Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10: 1 - 13

**Special Music:** Lakeview Choir – In the Shadow of Your Wing

Gospel Reading: Luke 13: 1-9

Reflection

Hymn of the Day: #271 Voices United – There's a Wideness in God's Mercy (vs

1, 2, 3 & 4)

A New Creed (on screen)

The Prayers of the People (response on screen)

**Sharing the Peace** (responsive on screen)

**Hymn:** #356 Voices United – Seek Ye First the Kingdom

**Offertory Prayer** (on screen)

#### Communion

**The Great Thanksgiving** (responsive on screen)

The Lord's Prayer (on screen)

**Invitation** (responsive on screen)

**Communion Song** *Lakeview Choir* – Before I Take the Body of My Lord **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: #135 More Voices – Called by Earth & Sky (vs 1, 3 & 4)

**Dismissal:** (responsive on screen)

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

Worship Leader: Pastor Cheryl Toth Music Director: Nathan Pylypuk Special Music: Lakeview Choir

Readers: Ken Ready

AV: Stacey & Rod Domoslai

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.

**Looking Ahead:** 

Sunday, April 13 – Palm Sunday Friday, April 18 – Good Friday Sunday, April 20 – Easter Sunday with communion

**Lakeview Newsletter:** If you would like to receive the Lakeview email newsletter, please email your name to Cheryl C. in the office at <a href="mailto:lakeviewuc@sasktel.net">lakeviewuc@sasktel.net</a> and she will have you added.

Sundays in Lent: Each Sunday we will be counting the weeks of Lent with planted bulbs at various stages of growth

## **Lenten Practice**: Fasting

Fasting is a traditional Lenten discipline. From the 4th century on Christians would fast for the 40 days of Lent by abstaining from meat, eggs, milk, butter and cheese. That is still practiced in some parts of the worldwide church but not in N. America. So how might we fast?

- Give up a food or drink during Lent. Some people forego eating sweets and others give up meat during Lent. Others don't drink alcohol. Others partially fast by not eating before or after a certain time of day or choosing to have one meatless day a week.
- Change a habit. Still others choose to fast from social media, doomscrolling, gossip, television and use the time they gain to read, walk, connect with friends, etc.

The point of fasting is not deprivation but discovering how difficult it is or isn't to fast from something. What do you learn about yourself?

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>Lakeview "Treasures & Trinkets" NEW 2 U Sale</u> is coming up on Friday, April 4 from 4:00 – 7:30 & Saturday, April 5 from 9:00 – noon.

**Donations:** If you have items to donate **prior to April 4**: clothing, dishes, glassware, toys, games, sports equipment, books, small appliances, please bring them to the church and place them on the stage in the gym between 9:30 and 3:00 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays.

Regina CGIT It's that time of year again. The Regina CGIT are selling plants through Growing Smiles. It may still be chilly outside but it is never too early to start dreaming of warmer days in our gardens. The orders are due by April 30th, 2025, and the pick-up date is May 16th. We thank you for your support. Proceeds will be going towards CGIT programming and outreach. This link will take you to our website: <a href="https://rcgit.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home">https://rcgit.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home</a>



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