



st.martin's united church

Our Core Purpose: To nurture Christian faith, purpose and joy  
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# MESSENGER

**April 15, 2018**

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AT THE ST MARTIN'S WEBSITE: [www.stmartinsuc.com](http://www.stmartinsuc.com)

## Third Sunday of Easter

### Thank You To The Following People For Their Participation

#### Greeters

9:30 a.m. – Dianne Young & Jacqueline Christenson  
11:00 a.m. – Lucille Larson & Peter Geres

#### Reader

9:30 a.m. – Dianne Young  
11:00 a.m. – Peter Geres

#### Cup Washers

If you are able to help wash cups after the 11 a.m. service please sign up on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside the Sanctuary.

### Happening This Week Sunday, April 15

**Worship 9:30 & 11:00**

Congregational Meeting 12:15 p.m.  
SAI 2:00 P.M.

#### Monday, April 16

HappyFeet (San) 5:00 p.m.  
Taiko (Lg) 6:30 p.m.  
AA (LL) 8:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday, April 17

Miriam Unit (Lg) 2:00 p.m.  
Hand Bells (Sanc) 6:00 p.m.  
Yoga (Lg) 7:00 p.m.  
Contemporary Choir (San) 7:15 p.m.  
AA (LL) 7:30 p.m.

#### Wednesday, April 18

SCCW (Lg) 9:00 a.m.  
SACL (San) 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Friendship Unit (Lg) 1:30 p.m.  
Prairie Songstress (Ch) 4:00 p.m.  
Band Together (San) 7:15 p.m.  
NA (LL) 8:00 p.m.

#### Thursday, April 19

Prayer Shawl (Lg) 7:00 p.m.  
Yoga (LL) 7:00 p.m.  
Sanctuary Choir (Ch) 7:00 p.m.  
AA (LL) 7:00 p.m.

#### Friday, April 20

Yoga (Lg) 4:00 p.m.  
Taiko (Lg) 6:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, April 21

Indian Dance (LL) 9:30 a.m.  
Saskatoon Shines with Solar 1:00 p.m.

#### Sunday, April 22

**Worship 9:30 & 11:00**

SAI 2:00 P.M.

### From Red to Black Stewardship Campaign

Just a reminder that we are working to eliminate our 2017 shortfall. Information about the campaign was sent out by email or is available on the table outside the Sanctuary. Please prayerfully consider what you might donate. Ensure your donation indicates it is to be directed towards the 2017 deficit. You can see the progress of the campaign on the poster above the fireplace. Thank you.

### Congregational Meeting Today!!



The Joint Search Committee has issued a call for the Minister III position, which has been accepted subject to a congregational meeting held for that purpose. The meeting is being held on today at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

### Saskatoon Shines with Solar

April 21, 2018  
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
St. Martin's United Church  
Featuring Peter Prebble (Saskatoon Solar Co-op) and Kevin Hudson (Saskatoon Light & Power)



Educate, Inspire and Equip for Solar Power in Central Saskatchewan Empowering you to transition to solar energy in your homes, schools, businesses and churches. Children Welcome.

For more information contact:  
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(Churches for Environmental Action)



The St. Martin's  
United Church  
CONTEMPORARY  
SINGERS  
presents

### "ASSORTED FLAVOURS 8"

Dessert Concert

With Special Guests: Aliah Nelson,  
Bobby Williston, Jennifer  
Duggleby

Tuesday May 29, 2018

St. Martin's United Church

Dessert 6:15 p.m.

Concert 7:00 p.m.

Tickets \$15.00

Tickets available at the church  
office 306-343-7101 or from any  
Chorus member.

Proceeds to Contemporary Singers  
Music Fund.

Hope to see you there!!



### St. Martin's PD Day!!!

The next PD Day  
for Saskatoon  
Public schools is

April 23 and we at St. Martin's have a place for your children, grandchildren or neighbourhood friends to have fun and learn about God's Beautiful Creation! From 9am to 4pm your children (and their friends!) are welcome to bring a donation to the Saskatoon Food Bank and a lunch and we will explore what the Bible says about the Earth, make some crafts and play some games. Please contact Darren ([darren@stmartinsuc.com](mailto:darren@stmartinsuc.com) or 306-343-7101) to register your children or you can do so on this website

<https://vbspro.events/p/april232018>. Please send weather appropriate clothing as we will be outside for some of the day.



## Steps on the Journey to Reconciliation

(a weekly guide to personal examination of Reconciliation)

Understanding what Reconciliation Means to Us

[www.speakingmytruth.ca](http://www.speakingmytruth.ca)

Our mission is to provide resources which will promote reconciliation and encourage and support Aboriginal people and their communities in building and reinforcing sustainable healing processes that address the legacy of physical, sexual, mental, cultural, and spiritual abuses in the residential school system, including intergenerational impacts. PDF versions of *Speaking My Truth: Reflections on Reconciliation & Residential Schools*, is available for download including copies of each of the AHF Truth and Reconciliation Research series (Volume 1: From Truth to Reconciliation, Volume 2: Response, Responsibility and Renewal, Volume 3: Cultivating Canada).

Due the elimination of the provincially funded Spiritual Care Departments it is increasingly difficult to identify parishioners in the hospital. If you, or someone you know, will be hospitalized and if you would appreciate a supportive visit from the ministry staff, please contact the church office. The staff will do our best to provide follow-up care when requested.



### Sabbatical News

From May 1 to July 31 Darren Wooff will be on sabbatical leave investigating a small groups strategy and plan for St. Martin's to build on the success of Brian Walton's Spiritual Conversation groups. While Darren is on leave we need your help to continue our Sunday morning Wild Goose Club program. A sign-up sheet will be circulated during the April worship services for you to volunteer your gifts and skills to teach our kids or you can contact Darren directly at 306-343-7101 or at [darren@smartinsuc.com](mailto:darren@smartinsuc.com). No previous experience is necessary, only a willingness to share your gift of (woodworking, travel experiences, fabric art, storytelling, painting, etc. etc.)

## Guess who is coming to Dinner, or lunch or brunch?

The Outreach committee is organizing this event to enable people to get to know one another. Some folks will host



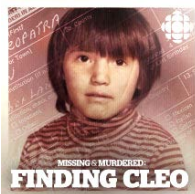
a gathering of dinner lunch or brunch and others will come and be their guests. There are 2 sheets out on the fireplace, one for those who would be willing to host a meal along with the number of folks they would like to have come and the other list is for those who are would like to go to someone's home, and we have asked you to list any allergies. This is not about who can cook the best meal, the hosts might order in food but rather it is about sharing a meal and friendship. You are welcome to sign up on both lists if you wish. We suggest that we try and have the meals sometime before the end of June, if you know a date that might work for you to host please indicate those dates. If this goes over really well we may continue it in the fall. If you have questions please contact Jeanette Liberty-Duns 306-249-4775

**The St. Martin's Book Club** is reading *Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes. We will meet on



Monday, May 7th at 7:00 pm to discuss the book at the home of Mavis McPhee at 31 MacKenzie Cres. More information about the book is available on the wall by the library.

**All are welcome in the Book Club!**



"Finding Cleo" is the courageous and heartbreaking story of a family's search for their lost sister, Cleo. The family, fractured by the "Sixties Scoop", tells their story through CBC's Connie Walker, an indigenous journalist, who has created a compelling podcast. As one listens to this podcast, it seems impossible to not be profoundly moved by the great tenacity, love and respect that Cleo's siblings have for her. It also seems impossible to learn and grieve along with them.

To have the complexity of the Sixties Scoop illuminated, to learn about the contexts of loss, grief and recovery for families, listen in. You can find the podcast at <http://www.cbc.ca/radio/findingcleo> This story will change you.

**The letter-writing campaign in support of reinstating spiritual care services in health facilities:** I just received a reply from Premier Scott Moe which I have put on the Outreach bulletin board. I encourage you to read it.  
~Maureen McPherson for Outreach

We invite you to The Refinery on **Sunday, April 15th, between 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

The Refinery will join Author, and Writer-in Residence at St. Paul's Hospital, **Kristine Scarrow**, to host a drop-in community event to support **Letters of Love**. **Letters of Love** is an initiative that aims to offer comfort and words of support and encouragement, to patients and their families during challenging times, through heartfelt letters or cards written by members of the community. As Writer-in-Residence at St. Paul's Hospital, Kristine knows the power of this initiative and sees it as a way to strengthen the bond between community and the patients at St. Paul's, through words. An impactful initiative that we hope you will be a part of. Please drop-in to write or draw a message with us. This is a free community event; all materials will be provided and all ages are welcome! Coffee, tea, and juice will be served.

The 10x10 Integrated Community Ministry (ICM) canvasses have been moved to Amigo's Cantina. Thank you for your bids on the canvasses displayed at St. Martin's in the month of March - and come to see the other works of art during April! Ask at the bar for the bid book if you'd like to place a silent auction bid.

I will both lie down in peace,  
**and sleep;**  
For You alone, O LORD,  
make me dwell  
in  
safety.

Psalm 4:8

