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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sunday In-person Worship at 10:30 AM

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Pianist – Marion D. Guest Speaker – Rev. Bob Cappelle Worship Leader – Lois Bukar Song Leader – Ken D.

Seeking God's Ways

Lent 4 Focus Statement:

As we seek God's way, we move from a sense that "we" and "ours" have special standing to the knowledge that all are welcome to God's kingdom.

Prelude

Gathering Song SJ #37 Behold, how pleasant

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Together we seek the way of God,

People: rejoicing that we are new creations in Christ.

From a human point of view, we demand what is ours,

but through Jesus we learn that all can share in God's inheritance.

Let us join God's feast,

where all celebrate together.

Let us live out God's way of inclusion.

Prayer

Songs of Praise HWB #71 *Joyful, joyful, we adore thee* HWB #42 *All people that on earth do dwell*

Responsive reading

Your ways, O God, are higher than our ways.

Your thoughts are higher than our thoughts.

We seek God's ways. (pause) snuff candle

Lord, move us <u>from</u> our tribal thinking <u>to</u> your radical inclusion.

Song HWB #322 For we are strangers no more **Opportunities, Sharing and Prayer**

Lenten prayer of confession (Isaiah 55 adapted)

Holy One, we seek you while you may be found.

We call upon you while you are near.

Have mercy on us, O God,

for our thoughts are not your thoughts and our ways are not your ways.

Forgive us for thinking we deserve special treatment.

Lead us to your radical inclusion.

As we walk with Christ on this Lenten journey,

let us see your way more clearly

and follow your way more faithfully.

Song HWB #411 *I bind my heart this tide*

Scripture Psalm 31:9-10,14-15; Psalm 23:4

Sermon When the News is Bad

Rev. Bob Cappelle

Response Song SJ #42 Listen, God is calling

Sending From this time and place into whatever awaits, may we follow God's way of inclusion. May we recognize our assumptions of entitlement so that we can live into God's fully inclusive love. As we go, know that our God of the wilderness remains with us on the way.

Sending Song HWB #420 *Heart with loving heart united* **Postlude**

Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones
- those recovering, those still struggling, and those facing new challenges
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current: New Life Seventh Day Adventist Church
- Mennonite Church Sask: North Star Mennonite Church in Drake, pastor Dan Graber
- perseverance in the struggle against COVID
- Ukraine / Russia

New address for Sigrid W. is #201 at Riverview, new phone number 306-741-8412. Welcome back!

Time to plan for summer. See the yellow sheet on the bulletin board and choose a Sunday that you can co-ordinate. Sign up today!

Today 1 pm **Executive** meeting

Tuesday 9:30 am tied quilting / blanket making for MCC

At 10 am Karla Koehn from MCC Sask will be visiting the quilting group. Come and join the quilters to hear from Karla and to encourage and support one another. 91 have been completed.

Wednesday 10 am Lenten Guided Prayer

<u>Thursday</u> noon <u>Lenten service</u> at East Side Church of God in-person and live-streamed, no lunch

Friday 1 pm Board of Music & Worship meeting

Coming Events

Lent / Easter

Last Supper Thursday Communion -- April 14

Good Friday -- April 15

Easter Sunday -- April 17

Sunrise, Worship, Brunch

Women's Retreat at Shekinah -- May 13,14

spring clean up day at Camp Elim -- May 14

starting at 9:30 am. Bring a bag lunch.

MCC Relief Sale in Saskatoon -- June 11

MC Canada Gathering in Edmonton July 29 - August 1

MC Canada Youth Gathering Amplify! at Camp Valaqua

July 31 - August 4 (ages 12-18)

Zion worship service at Camp Elim -- September 4