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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

**Sunday In-person Worship at 10 AM**

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Pianist – Grace F.

Worship Leader – Aaron P.  
Song Leader – Marcia M.

***Lent 4 Called to the Light***

**We Gather**

**Prelude**

**Gathering Song** HWB #352 *Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us*

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** based on Psalm 23

Leader: The Lord is our shepherd.

**People: We shall not want.**

Leader: God makes us lie down in green pastures.

**People: We shall not want.**

Leader: God leads us beside quiet waters.

**We shall not want.**

**All: Restore us through your Holy Spirit,  
the love of Jesus Christ,  
and the comfort of your presence.**

**We Hear God's Word**

**Scripture Reading**

1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

Peggy K.

**Message**

Lois Bukar

**We Respond**

**Singing** SS #65 *Open my eyes*

SS #5 *Open my ears, open my eyes*

**Sharing and Opportunities**

**Prayer and Confession**

Leader: Lord, we long for light, but all is darkness,  
and we walk in deep shadows.

We have driven back justice.

Truth has stumbled in the streets,

and thick darkness is over the people.

We confess our sinful deeds.

We confess to the Lord . . .

As everything exposed to the light becomes visible,  
we walk from darkness into light.

**ALL: Open our eyes, Jesus,**

**that our lives may radiate your glory. Amen.**

**Theme Song** HWB #350 *Lord, teach us how to pray aright* v.3,4

**Offering**

**Closing Song** HWB #433 *Go, my children* v.1,2

**Benediction**

Leader: Go forth and shine, for the Light has come,

**People: and the glory of the Lord rises upon us.**

Leader: Surely goodness and love will follow us  
all the days of our lives,

**All: and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

**Closing Song** HWB #433 *Go, my children* v.4

**Postlude**

**Guiding Questions:**

1. You once lived in darkness, so to speak, and knew no direction in your life. What was that like?
2. It is said that an encounter with Jesus brings light into the soul. In what ways has Jesus opened your eyes to help you find your future?
3. How do you now seek God's guidance in everyday situations?

This year for **Lenten Guided Prayers**, we invite people to participate from home, or work, alone, or with friends, using the document we will provide here each Sunday. Choose a time and place that works for you. Pick up Lenten Prayers **Lent 4** on the table in the foyer with the bulletins.

**Today** 2:30 pm **Minute to Win It and Bingo**

Fun competition for everyone.

Followed by Green Sweet and Salty Treats and coffee.

**Tuesday** 9:30 am **tying quilts** for MCC

103 quilts have been completed

**Thursday** noon **Lent Worship Service** and lunch

at St. Olaf Lutheran Church

Zion will be leading the service

2 pm **Board of Music & Worship** meeting

***Pray for:***

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Camp Elim preparing for the summer
- MC Sask: new Interim Executive Minister Gary Peters
- Swift Current: Victory Family Church
- Mennonite Church Sask: Aberdeen Mennonite Church, pastor Curtis Wiens
- Ukraine / Russia
- all those struggling with mental illness

Mary Wiebe is temporarily in Willow Creek Manor rm. 22.

**Bible Knowledge Challenge**

Last week to challenge your Bible memory.

You can still catch up. Prizes will be given out March 26.

**Coming Events**

April 1 Camp Elim perogy supper

Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunday

Val Woelk is **looking for spring and summer pictures** to be used on the bulletin covers after Easter. Bright outside pictures work the best. Send as high resolution as possible to [jvwoelk@sasktel.net](mailto:jvwoelk@sasktel.net) or by text to 306-741-9950.

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For our **church library**: BE IT RESOLVED Anabaptists & Partner Coalitions Advocate for Indigenous Justice, 1966-2020 edited by Steve Heinrichs & Esther Epp-Tiessen  
CUSTODIANS, A STORY OF ANCIENT ECHOES **video** on memory stick

A copy of the Non-consolidated **Financial Statements**

A copy of the **Camps Review Final Report**