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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sunday In-person Worship at 10:30 AM

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Office hours Tuesday to Friday

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Pianist – Grace F.

Worship Leader – Emily R. Song Leader – Marcia M.

## Lent 3

Prelude

**Gathering Song** VT #62 God is here among us

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: As we worship, Christ collides with our priorities.

P: We gather and pause from the important busyness of our lives.

L: Jesus reveals the depth of God's purposes.

P: Help us come to our senses by your Spirit.

All: For your reign, O God, help us celebrate being found as we worship you.

**Prayer** 

**Praise Songs** HWB #338 I know not why God's grace SJ #54 Longing for light

**Blessing of the Offering** 

**Announcements, Opportunities, Sharing** 

**Prayer** 

**Snuffing of Candle** 

**Confession and Words of Assurance** 

All: Loving and merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you.

- L: We have not loved you with all our thoughts, words, and actions.
- P: We have sinned through what we have chosen to do and what we have chosen to neglect.
- L: We have not fully accepted your love for us.

  We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
- P: We prioritize the wrong things and the wrong people.

All: We repent before each other and before you, our loving God. Please help us open our hearts to your love. Help us bring our priorities in line with yours so we may better share your peace in our world, rejoicing in your name. Amen.

Leader: Now hear these words of assurance: God tells us that we are created in God's image. God created us for relationship with God and each other. In this, we know that God will never break our relationship. God's steadfast love endures forever.

**Song** HWB #491 Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling

Scripture Reading Luke 15:1-32

Shirley E.

Sermon Christ Collides with our Priorities Zach Stefaniuk Response Song SS #121 Nothing is lost on the breath of God Benediction

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

Today 9:45 am Discussion on Luke's Quest Stories Emmaus Luke 17:11-19 Jesus, some lepers, a Samaritan leper 2:30 pm Games Social sponsored by Women in Mission. Bring crokinole and other games and your favourite ice cream topping. Everyone welcome.

Tuesday 9:30 am tying quilts for MCC

Wednesday 9:30 am Xplore class: Indigenous Spirituality and Christian Faith in the library

Thursday noon Lent service and lunch Christ the Redeemer 1:30 pm Xplore class: Luke's Quest Stories library

## Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones and those struggling with transition of some kind
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current Ministerial: The Salvation Army
- Mennonite Church Sask: Pleasant Point Mennonite Church near Clavet, in a time of transition and visioning
- Ukraine / Russia
- a just peace in the Middle East

Pastor Zach will be away beginning March 23, going to Ontario for pastor training, Transitioning Into Ministry. Then he will be on vacation until April 8<sup>th</sup>. He will be back in his Office on Wednesday April 9.

Swift Current Music Festival at Zion: Again this year our building is being rented to host the music festival. Volunteers are needed to attend daily session to act as facility reps. A facility rep must be present and available during the daily sessions to assist in case of emergency and other issues regarding use of the facility. Dates are from Sunday April 6 through to Thursday, portions of each day. Please check the sheet on the foyer bulletin board, and sign up for a time that works for you. For more information, contact Bart at 773-1074. Thanks.

If you love photography or drawing, share your work for the bulletin covers. Submit them to Val.