



All Saints

All Saints is held in the month of November to coincide with the memorials we celebrate around Remembrance Day.

All Saints allows us to pause to reflect upon those who were with us, but have passed away.

Although it is a time of loss, it is also a time of celebration. So we call to

mind the names and memories of those of St. Paul's Community of Faith who are no longer with us (2019-2021):

Doreen Avery
Reynold Bert
Marjorie Cantlon
Maurice Didkowski
Sheila Dies
Thomas Durr
Madelyn Fornwald
Lloyd Henry
Bob Holden
Rose Hokanson
John Johnson

Vision: *to be considerate of all members of our church family and find ways to ensure that all are welcome, safe and comfortable.*

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THE Messenger

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Doreen (Dodie) Kuchinka
Martha McNichol
Alberta Rogers
Richard Stark
Wilma Tedford
Gilbert Wallewein

We stand on their shoulders!

White Gift

Due to the continued COVID virus, Christmas Hampers will be dealt with in a similar manner as last year.

Under the guidance of the SHA, the hamper program will be run as a single city-wide

program. All hampers will be put together at the Salvation Army.

Applicants for the hampers

will be scheduled for a time of pick-up.

It is anticipated that 500 or more hampers will be applied for this year. The average hamper cost is expected to increase this year to range from \$125.00 to \$250.00 for small to large hampers. Last year St. Paul's generously contributed \$4,540.00.



You may help support this vital need by offering a White Gift. December 19 is designated as White Gift Sunday. However your gift can be given any time now. It may be placed in a white envelope, marked with your Giving Number and then mailed or dropped off in the outside box at the church. You also may do this by an eTransfer to stpaulsuc@sasktel.net.

The Angel Tree will be set up at Walmart again this year. St. Paul's has chosen December 5, 2021 to man the Angel Tree from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. If you can cover any of these hours please phone the office (306-634-2885) to **sign up**.

Advent Unwrapped

Get ready for Christ(mas)! Advent—a holy, four-week countdown to Jesus' birthday—begins on Sunday, November 28! Get ready to make room for Christ and the radical, countercultural messages that Christ brings.



Sacrament of Communion

Communion will be held Sunday, December 5, 2021. The distribution of the elements will be done similarly to our November Communion with the use of the "Fellowship Cups."



Advent Readings

The reading of the Advent scriptures will return to Facebook. Julie-Anne Wallewein has graciously stepped up to organize this. Contact

Julie-Anne if you wish to become involved in the readings. Our



Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/StPaulsUCEstevan>.

Christmas Services

December 5, 2021 @ 11:00 Communion Worship service.

December 14, 2021 @ 7:30 pm — Christmas Recital.

December 19, 2021 — Designated as White Gift Sunday. White Gift offerings will go towards community Christmas hampers.

December 24, 2021 @ 7:00 pm — Christmas Eve service led by Sandi Dalziel.

December 26, 2021 @ 11:00 am — Sunday Worship led by Sandi Dalziel.

Christmas Recital

December 14, 2021@ 7:30 pm — Rachel Andrist and Avery Lafrentz will host a Christmas recital consisting of one or two romantic opera arias, a selection of romantic German and French songs and then a Christmas medley of popular music. The recital will end with a carol sing for everyone.



A free-will offering will go to the community Christmas hampers.

Proof of vaccination and adherence to current SHA COVID-19 guidelines are required to attend.

World Day of Prayer

A World Day of Prayer (WDP) service will held at St. Paul's on Friday, March 4, 2022. The service will be in-person following SHA COVID-19 guidelines at that time. For those who choose, information for a virtual involvement will be provided at a later date.

WDP involves Christians from over 170 countries coming together in spirit, uniting on a common day to pray for relevant issues affecting women and children. This is a reality: the movement has been active for nearly 100 years.



Warm Welcome Kitchen

As part of our local community outreach, St. Paul's has donated to the Warm

Welcome Kitchen program which provides hot take-out meals from the kitchen of Trinity



Lutheran Church.



First Coming

He did not wait till the world was ready,
till men and nations were at peace.
He came when the Heavens were
unsteady,
and prisoners cried out for release.
He did not wait for the perfect time.



He came when the need was deep and
great.
He dined with sinners in all their grime,
turned water into wine.
He did not wait till hearts were pure.
In joy he came to a tarnished world of sin
and doubt.
To a world like ours, of anguished shame
he came, and his Light would not go out.
He came to a world which did not mesh,
to heal its tangles, shield its scorn.
In the mystery of the Word made Flesh
the Maker of the stars was born.
We cannot wait till the world is sane
to raise our songs with joyful voice,
for to share our grief, to touch our pain,
He came with Love: Rejoice! Rejoice!
- Madeleine L'Engle

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COVID-19 Guidelines

As we now head into cooler temperatures and confining ourselves more to the indoors, it is increasingly important to help keep each other safe and comfortable.

- The following guidelines are presently in place for St. Paul's:
 1. **Safe Attendance**
 - * Congregation members and staff are asked to self- screen for COVID symptoms
 - * Signage at front entrance will direct that anyone exhibiting COVID symptoms is asked not to enter or attend
 - * Hand sanitizing and mask stations will be available and kept stocked
 - * Cleaning protocols and procedures will be utilized after each use of our building
 - * Air circulation in the church will be optimized
 - * Congregation will be informed of any COVID outbreak
 2. **Safe Practices**
 - * Congregation is required:
 - ✓ to wear a mask
 - ✓ maintain physical distancing unless family group
 - * Offertory plates placed in the Narthex for offerings