

## March 2020 Women's Network Newsletter

As my husband, Duane, said in his sermon last Sunday "Worship Services may be cancelled, but WORSHIP IS NOT, PRAYER IS NOT, TIME SPENT WITH YOUR GOD IS NOT!!"

In this time of great uncertainty we can all be certain of one thing: God is with us; we are not alone.

### Women's Gathering

The executive and members of the planning committee for the Women's Gathering on April 24 – 26 have been in consultation with each other. By consensus we have decided to CANCEL the Women's Gathering for now. All registrations will be fully refunded.

### The GO Project

The Go Project is offering this great program online for families with kids at home. More information can be found at The Go Project - <https://theproject.ca/>



### Statistical Forms

Thank you to everyone who has sent in up-dated Stats Forms. We now have information for over 500 UCW members, adherents, other women's group members and individuals throughout the Region.

### A prayer during times of COVID-19

by the Right Rev. Richard Bott,  
Moderator of The United Church of Canada

*In this time of COVID-19, we pray:*

*When we aren't sure, God,  
help us be calm;  
when information comes  
from all sides, correct and not,  
help us to discern;  
when fear makes it hard to breathe,  
and anxiety seems to be the order of the day,  
slow us down, God;  
help us to reach out with our hearts,*

*when we can't touch with our hands;  
help us to be socially connected,  
when we have to be socially distant;  
help us to love as perfectly as we can,  
knowing that "perfect love casts out all fear."*

*For the doctors, we pray,  
for the nurses, we pray,  
for the technicians and the janitors and the  
aides and the caregivers, we pray,  
for the researchers and theorists,  
the epidemiologists and investigators,  
for those who are sick,  
and those who are grieving, we pray,  
for all who are affected,  
all around the world...  
we pray  
for safety,  
for health,  
for wholeness.*

*May we feed the hungry,  
give drink to the thirsty,  
clothe the naked and house those without homes;  
may we walk with those who feel they are alone,  
and may we do all that we can to heal  
the sick—  
in spite of the epidemic,  
in spite of the fear.*

*Help us, O God,  
that we might help each other.*

*In the love of the Creator,  
in the name of the Healer,  
in the life of the Holy Spirit that is in all and with all,  
we pray.*

*May it be so.*

*The Right Rev. Richard Bott originally posted this prayer on Facebook on March 13, 2020. He encourages the sharing of prayers he posts throughout his term.*

#### Easter

Easter is a time of new life. Let's live that new life fully.  
HAPPY EASTER! Look after each other.

Blessings,  
Mary on behalf of the Sask. United Church of Canada Women