

## The United Church of Canada Living Skies Regional Council

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To Communities of Faith,

Matthew 12: 25-26 "but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it.

Greetings in the name of the Spirit! We have entered that time of year when we begin to nestle in for the winter, windows close up, warmer clothes are used, and we get settled in with the flus and colds.

The Saskatchewan Health Department does not have any current mandate at the moment for COVID, but I would like to remind us all, that we are not out of the woods yet with COVID and the flu season is upon us as well. When masking and washing our hands were the norm for the last couple of winters, the "bugs" stayed away for the most part.

I would like to encourage communities of faith to encourage participants in worship, meetings, etc. to wear a mask for the safety of others and themselves.

I would also like to encourage all to get the booster shots if possible along with the flu shot (which you can have at the same time) so that if one of the "bugs" does catch you, hopefully it will not be too harsh to deal with.

We want people coming to events and worship to be healthy and not take anything home to others or vulnerable people such as those living in care homes. It is important for us to remember that God calls us to care for one another in many ways and this is one way we can do this.

Sincerely,

**Darrell Reine** 

Convenor of the Living Skies Regional Council