

## **Sask. UCCW Newsletter October 2023**

**Among human beings, who knows what pertains to a person except the spirit of the person that is within? Similarly, no one knows what pertains to God except the Spirit of God. 1 Corinthians 2:11**

**How are YOU growing spiritually? How are you helping your Community of Faith to grow spiritually?**

In this season of busyness: fund raising, youth events, rallies, etc. remember to take time to care for your spiritual growth. Set aside even a moment each day to pray.

### **Esterhazy Women's Gathering**

On September 30 church women gathered in Esterhazy for a time of fellowship, remembering and Taking Care of Each Other.

The morning began with coffee, muffins, fruit and visiting followed by a Welcome at 10 by Wreatha Curtis, chairperson of the Esterhazy UCW. Diane Thurlow, co-chair of Sask. UCCW, introduced the executive of Sask. UCCW who were present. Mary Mohn gave a brief description of how Sask. UCCW came to be and emphasized that it reaches out to keep ALL women in the church informed about what is happening at local levels, in Living Skies Region, with national as well as international news.

Diane Thurlow led the worship service that included the memorials of women we have lost in the past and also communion by Rev. Young Jin Park. Organist was Peggy Pedersen.

Phyllis Robinson, treasurer of Sask. UCCW talked about attending the National UCW meeting in Mississauga, Ontario. She mentioned the Healing Fund which gave to Regina Outreach this past year to help provide baby layettes and gifts for new mothers in need of assistance. The Healing Fund is the current five-year project that UCWs across the country are helping to fund.

After a delicious lunch served by St. Andrew's UCW in Esterhazy we heard from guest speaker, Dawn Weber. She's a reflexologist who lives in Esterhazy. She gave some excellent tips on "looking after yourself" and how

to achieve increased well-being. More fellowship and snacks were enjoyed before heading home.



**Dawn Weber, guest speaker**



**Listening to guest speaker**



**Meadow Lake UCW passes on the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banner to Esterhazy.** This is to be shared throughout Living Skies Region. Please keep Diane Thurlow, at [dlht.thurlow@outlook.com](mailto:dlht.thurlow@outlook.com), informed of its location.

### **Donation Guidelines**

There have been many changes taking place at General Council Office, and we have been asked to help them.

As new staff has been added to the accounting department there has been a few UCW amounts that have been entered to other cost centres. To ensure that all UCW funds gets into the right place please use the following options on the Cheque memo line:

All cheques are to be made payable to The United Church of Canada.

If your donation is going to the UCW Endowment in honour or memory of a UCW Women, Write in the cheques memo line: **UCW Endowment Fund.**

If your donation is going to the Healing fund.  
Write in the cheque memo line: **NUCW The Healing Fund.**

If your donation is going to Mission and Service.  
Write in the cheque memo line: **NUCW Mission and Service.**

If you are sending funds in to purchase Life Membership Pins.  
Write in the cheque memo line: **NUCW Life Membership Pins.**

If you are sending in the \$1.00 per membership fee or any other donation.  
Write in the cheque memo line: **NUCW Donations.**

If you have any questions please contact me, or [cdallas@ripnet.com](mailto:cdallas@ripnet.com) by phone 343-571-7780.

Again, thank you, you are all a blessing, and you are all blessed.

### **United Church Hospital Chaplaincy - Call for Board Members**

Hospital Chaplains provide an essential role in Spiritual Care for patients. Whether it is being the face of the United Church for a patient and their family, offering prayers and support at end of life, or having a continuing conversation on faith and suffering, the Hospital Chaplains are ready to serve.

North Saskatchewan Hospital Chaplaincy (NSHC) and South Saskatchewan Hospital Chaplaincy (SSHC) needs of board members. The boards are essential to employing the Hospital Chaplains and providing support. The work of the board members is not onerous. Please consider volunteering for either board. Contact Daryl Woods, [daryl.gracewest@sasktel.net](mailto:daryl.gracewest@sasktel.net), for the NSHC Board and Randy Graham, [randygrahamn369@gmail.com](mailto:randygrahamn369@gmail.com), for the SSHC Board.

Ways to donate to support the chaplaincies:

NSHC Treasurer: Shannon Koski, 505 - 10<sup>th</sup> St. East, Saskatoon, Sask. S7N 0E3

SSHC Treasurer: Margaret Cooper, 3246 East Renfrew Crescent, Regina, Sask. S4V 2W5

### **Some of the Events that I know of that are coming up:**

**Grace United Church Fall Supper in Meadow Lake on Oct. 21 from 5 – 7.**

**Birch Hills UCW is hosting a Fellowship of the Least Coin Ingathering Service** at 2 at St. Mary's/St. Anne's Church, 279 McCallum Ave. in Birch Hills on Friday, November 3. This is an ecumenical service, and all are invited to attend.

**YAYAC Fall Youth Retreat – Friday, November 3 – Sunday, Nov. 5 at Melfort United Church.** Gather with other amazing youth from around our province to explore your faith, play games, connect about issues you care about, and eat a lot of great snacks. Registration and more information available



at <https://livingskiesrc.ca/event/fall-youth-retreat-2023-gr-7-12/>

For youth Grades 7-12. **Cost:** \$50 (support funding available)

If you'd like to help plan or have questions about the event, please be in touch!

We can be reached at

[livingskiesyaya@united-church.ca](mailto:livingskiesyaya@united-church.ca) or [lsyayac.meghan@gmail.com](mailto:lsyayac.meghan@gmail.com)

**Maritime United Church Women invite you to an Advent Spirituality Gathering**

on Zoom on Tuesday, November 7 from 12:30 -2:30 p.m. (Maritime time zone) To

register email:[ulvashepherdns@hotmail.com](mailto:ulvashepherdns@hotmail.com)

**Knox United Church Christmas Market , 838 Spadina Cres. East Saskatoon**

on November 18 from 11 a.m. To 4 p.m. Chili and bun lunch. Free parking and wheelchair accessible. For info call 306-244-0159



“The greatest love a person can have for his friends is to give his life for them.”

John 15:13

Hope you are able to attend a Remembrance Day Service near you!

Blessings,

Mary at [d.mohn@sasktel.net](mailto:d.mohn@sasktel.net) or ph. 306-749-3446