

COMMUNITY NEWS

Literature Matters – Talks by members of the Department of English presents “*Apocalypses and Beginnings in Contemporary Literature and Film*” – Wednesday, March 23, 2016 @ 7:30 pm @ Grace-Westminster United Church Social Hall. All are welcome!

Alvin Buckwold 50th Anniversary – Friday, May 27 & Saturday, May 28, For more information on this celebration see Facebook.com - AlvinBuckwold50 or call the school office at 306-683-7100.

Mount Royal Emmanuel United Church

521-Vancouver Ave. North, Saskatoon Annual Spring Beef Supper Sunday, April 3rd, 2016. Two sittings 4:30 & 6 PM Adults \$16, Children (5-12 yrs) \$6, 4 & Under Free. Advance Tickets Only. Call Barb at 306-249-2433 Take out Available Delivery Westside only UCW Bake Table, Craft Sale, and Book Sale.

Station Singers presents "In Praise of Spring" concert

Works by Dvorak, Haydn, Mendelssohn, 7:30 pm Saturday Apr 16 at Grace Westminster United Church 2:00 pm Sunday Apr 17 at the Station Arts Center
Guest artists: Prairie Virtuosi String Quartet

Letters From Prison: Sunday afternoons, April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 2016 – 2:00 – 3:30 pm with Rev. Dr. Vern Ratzlaff at Queen's House Retreat & Renewal Center. Cost is \$10 / session or \$30 for the series. To register please call 306-242-1916 or email receptionist@queenshouse.org.

Lectionary Reading March 27, 2016

Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 65:17-25

Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or Acts 10:34-43

John 20: 1-18 or Luke 24: 1-12



Mission Statement

**Grace-Westminster United Church is a caring,
loving community of Christian faith.
We endeavour to put God's word into action.**

HAPPENING THIS WEEK.....

Today – 9:45 – 10:30 am Quiet Time (Chapel downstairs)

Tues. - Mugs & Muffins @ 10:00am

- Bible Study @ 2 pm

Wed. - Bible Study @ 7:15 pm

Thurs. – Jr. Choir – 5:45 pm

- Harmonics – 6:30 pm

- Sanctuary Choir – 7:15 pm

Fri. - Good Friday Service @ 10:30 am

Sun- Easter Breakfast @ 9:00 am

COMING UP.....

March 28 – Office Closed

April 03 - Contemporary Service

April 06 – Book Club

Coffee:

Greeters: West Door: Gloria Hill

East Door: Orest Fosty

GRACE-WESTMINSTER NEWS ...

The Jesus Fatwah: Love your (Muslim) Neighbour as Yourself - "Much of what passes for information about Islam is weed-like disinformation rooted in stereotype and watered by fear. In the Jesus Fatwah, seventeen Islamic and Christian scholars offer reliable information about what Muslims believe, how they live out their faith, and how we all can be about building relationships across the lines of faith." The Jesus Fatwah Study is held at Grace-Westminster on Wednesday evenings at 7:15, downstairs in the Social Hall (first left at the bottom of the stairs). The remaining studies are on March 23, March 30, and April 6. You are welcome to attend.

Mark Your Calendars - The Spiritual Nurture in Faith Formation Team is pleased to bring you a seminar with Rev. Lorne Calvert, Principal of St. Andrews College, entitled "Believe Again". The seminar will be held the evening of Friday, April 29 and on Saturday, April 30. Watch for details in the near future.

Easter Breakfast- The Pastoral Care Committee is hosting an Easter Breakfast! Easter Sunday Morning (March 27) 9:00 am – 10:15 am. Price by donation....Please join us ! There will be no coffee time after church as this breakfast will take the place of coffee time.

UCW News- In 2014, the UCW contributed a total amount of \$4,585.00 to the finances of Grace-Westminster Church. In 2015, the UCW contributed a total amount of \$5,046.53 to the finances of the church.

Pictorial Directory for Grace-Westminster- Come and Join Us ! The Directory we be full color, and by placing names with faces, this will help promote a sense of family within our congregation. Professional photographs will be taken April 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 25th, 26th and 27th, 2016. Monday – Friday from 2:00pm - 9:00pm and Saturday from 10:00am – 4:00 pm. Signup sheets will be available before worship in the West side of the sanctuary, and in the auditorium after worship. You can also call Paul at (306) 384-0497 to book appointment.

Ecumenical Lenten Retreat at Queen's House - Are you searching for a deeper way to appreciate and enter into the season of Lent? Are you open to new insights into the symbols and traditions we hold so dear? Using a DVD featuring a compelling Educator and Theologian, Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI, Sarah Donnelly will facilitate an engaging Lenten retreat for all those who are searching to deepen their spiritual life during this reflective time of year. This Ecumenical Lenten Retreat will be held at Queen's House, 601 Taylor Street West. "Exploring a Non-Violent God" Saturday March 19, 2016, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The cost of the retreat is \$55, which includes lunch. If you choose to bring your own lunch the cost is \$45.

WELCOME TO CANADA! Artists for Refugees - Friday, April 15 - 7 p.m. @ Grosvenor Park United Church, Doors open at 6:15 with pre-show music. Please join some of Saskatoon's exceptional singers, musicians, dancers and writers for a family-friendly event in support of Syrian refugees. The "Ahlan Refugee Project" is a partnership between St. Paul's and Grosvenor Park United Church. We will sponsor at least one family through the Canadian government's Blended Visa Office Referred Program. Besides substantial financial support, we will provide social and day-to-day assistance to help our family adapt to life in Canada. We will be welcoming a young couple and their two preschool children, hopefully in April of this year. With deep gratitude, we are thrilled to announce the following line-up: Brad Johner and The Johner Brothers, Lawrence Roy Jr., Ellen Kolenick (aka Elly Thorn), Yann Martel, Jiaqi Shang, Kids of Note and The Notations, Alice Kuipers, Shae Forsberg, Sheldon Corbett, Fran Forsberg, Arthur Slade, and The GPUC Choir, with emcees Brenda Baker and Tanaya Slade and sound tech Bruce Wilkinson. **Tickets:** Donations gratefully accepted at the door. Tax receipts issued for \$20 or more. **More info:** brenda@brendabaker.com.