

## Announcements – February 13, 2022

### Coming Services

February 13 “Attitude or Beatitudes” -Danna will be leading worship  
February 20 “Beloved Community – Black History” - Danna will be leading worship  
February 27 Danna will be leading worship

### **Worship Services Online**

Until further notice, worship at St. James will be online only. Developments with the Omicron variant of Covid19 will be watched carefully to determine when it will be reasonable for us to return to in-person worship.

### **Council Meeting Scheduling Change**

Council Meeting via Zoom originally scheduled for February 24th will be now moved ahead to February 17th at 7 p.m.

### **Lenten Book Study**

There are plans to have a Lenten Book Study once a week beginning the week of Ash Wed. and ending Holy Week. (March 2 - April 15). The book being proposed is Lesser Evils edited by Alydia Smith. “Lesser Evils is an attempt to explore the dilemmas of seeking good while choosing the lesser evil from a Christian perspective.” ie: (Do I take this reserved parking space for just a minute? Do I need to wear a mask in the hallway? Do I choose to forgive?) If you are interested in joining the group please let the Church Office know by **February 14** so we can order the books from UCRD. (Cost \$15). We will choose a date and time by those interested in joining. We will decide on Zoom or in person closer to the date

### **Soup Fundraiser**

Thank you to everyone who supported the soup fundraiser and to the ladies who prepared the soups. Please pick up your frozen container(s) of soup at the west door of the church on Saturday, February 12 between 2:00 – 4:00 pm

**Broadview Renewal/New Subscriptions:** Its time to renew your subscription to **Broadview** (formerly The Observer). For \$25 you will receive an annual subscription with eight issues over the year of a magazine that looks at current spiritual matters within the United Church and beyond. New subscribers are welcome. Due to the temporary suspension of in person church services, please, **by February 15, 2022**, drop off a cheque in the church’s mail box or make an e-transfer to St. James United Church and note it is for a Broadview subscription. If you have any questions contact [stjamesoffice@sasktel.net](mailto:stjamesoffice@sasktel.net) .

### **Sunday School**

As a result of the temporary church closure for in-person worship, Sunday School will be paused until further notice. The Sunday School teacher (Rowan) will email out video activities weekly for the families to do with the children at each families’ leisure. If you are interested in getting on the email list for these activities please contact the church office ([stjames.office@sasktel.net](mailto:stjames.office@sasktel.net)). Thank you for your understanding and patience, if you have any questions or concerns please reach out to the church office.

**Book Group at St James:** On Monday January 10 the 1:30-3:00 pm book group started discussing the book How to Heal our Divides: A Practical Guide edited by Brian Allain and Adam Thomas. (available at Amazon and Kindle). The book outlines why there are divides and gives examples of how to resolve them. There are over 30 contributors to the book. The group meets weekly with the understanding people will not be available every week. A set number of chapters are discussed each week. For February 14 we will be discussing chapters 14, 18, 21 and 26; for February 21 we will be discussing chapters 16, 22, 23, and 24.

Presently we meet on ZOOM at the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85755897245?pwd=cIBWR1kyVkpkNVdJOXJBRzBBOUFCdz09>

**Passcode: 775580**

### **Wednesday Morning Coffee**

Join us for coffee on Wednesday mornings 10 am on Zoom. Please use the following link and passcode to join the group:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81342039674?pwd=bEhVNkhiSmpTclM2WnNqR1pYMWc3dz09>

**Passcode: 771468**

### **Facebook Live Stream Volunteers Needed**

We are currently looking for a few volunteers to help us with running the Sunday Service live stream on Facebook. Time spent at the church for the set up and take down of the equipment would be from 9 am to 11 am. Full training and support provided, no previous experience or Facebook account needed. Contact Patty for more details 306.501.8875 or

[pattybrethumphreys@gmail.com](mailto:pattybrethumphreys@gmail.com)

### **Need a Call or Visit?**

Danna and Diane are available for a chat. Danna can be reached at 306-527-9422 and Diane at 306-737-6328.