

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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We acknowledge that we are in Treaty 1 territory, and that the land is the traditional lands of the Anishinabe and Dakota Nations, and the homeland of the Métis Nation

ANNOUNCEMENTS SHEET

THE 26th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 26 November 2023

Welcome! We extend a warm welcome to our guests, and invite you to sign the guest book at the back of the sanctuary. Everyone is invited to remain for coffee and fellowship, downstairs in the Church Hall, following the service. We thank **Brian Yeo** for hosting today.

The Greeters this morning are **Lisa and Bruce Sneesby**

The Readers today are **Lisa and Bruce Sneesby**

Scripture Readings - The readings for today's service are

- Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24
- Psalm 95: 1-7a
- Ephesians 1: 15-23
- Matthew 25: 31-46

This Week in First Church:

- Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. - Bible study, by Zoom

Coming Up:

- Wednesday, November 29 – Deadline for submissions for the newsletter
- Saturday, December 2 - Men's Breakfast
- Saturday, December 2 - Salvation Army Christmas Kettles – For members who have volunteered
- Sunday, December 3 – Trimming of the Church and tree **after** lunch. Lunch will be provided

Today - Copies of the *Today* daily devotional booklet for November and December have been placed on the table at the back of the sanctuary

Prayer Calendar – Copies of the prayer calendar for December are ready to be picked up at the back of the Sanctuary. Don't forget your copy.

Newsletter: It is newsletter time again. Please send your reports to Lisa Sneesby **before November 29, 2023**. They can be emailed to her at bsneesby@mts.net

Vacuuming the Sanctuary - We need volunteers to help with vacuuming the sanctuary. If you are interested please sign the sheet at the back of the sanctuary.

Mission Moment

Over the past two years, Canadian aid organizations advocated to remove legal barriers to much-needed aid in Afghanistan. The barriers prevented aid organizations, including PWS&D, from providing urgent humanitarian assistance since the Taliban took control in August 2021. The recent parliamentary adoption of Bill C-41 is vital to improving access to health care, ensuring access to food, water and sanitation, education, and protecting human dignity. As winter approaches, the needs are even greater. PWS&D will now support work in Afghanistan once again – an important step in coping with political, economic and climate adversity for many in the country.

CAROLS and BELLS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023

2:00 pm

ST MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

GOODWILL OFFERING IN AID OF

SALVATION ARMY

Light Refreshments following

Everyone Welcome