

WEEK AT A GLANCE: March 12 - March 18, 2023

Sunday	Service - Rev. Deborah Hoekstra Scripture Reading: Exodus 17: 1-7 John 4: 5-42	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Genesis Outreach U.I.B.	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Finance Worship & Education	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	UCW Susan Krecsy Speaking in the sanctuary from the Community Village	1:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m.
Thursday	Bible Study Choir	Noon 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	St. Patrick's Dinner	5:00 p.m.

WEEK AT A GLANCE: March 19 - March 25, 2023

Sunday	Service - Rev. Mervin Gallant Pie Day after service today Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 16: 1-13 John 9: 1-7	10:00 a.m.
Monday	Restorative Yoga Genesis U.I.B.	2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Broadview Council	10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	Bible Study Choir	Noon 7:00 p.m.



Grapevine: March 12, 2023

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MARCH 21 & 22

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**SUNDAY SERVICE PARTICIPANTS - March 12,
2023**

Service: Rev. Deborah Hoekstra

Service Assistants: Lynne Tedder

Music Ministry: Donna Graham, Margaret Ward-Jack
and SAUC Choir

A.V. Technicians: Wade Hayden, Lionel Larcombe,
Ken Hutchinson, Troy Sartison and Luke Sartison

**Celebrate National Affirming/PIE Day on March 14,
2023!**

Why PIE? PIE = *Public. Intentional. Explicit.*

These are the standards we hold ourselves and our welcome to when we become affirming, welcoming, or inclusive communities. March 14 is a chance to celebrate the full inclusion of LGBTQIA+ and Two Spirit people in faith communities and beyond across Canada.

Public: Being out and proud! LGBTQIA+ communities are often invisible, because of safety, and because of the assumption that everyone is cisgendered or heterosexual. When a ministry is Public in its welcome, it gives LGBTQIA+ people more space to be out and proud.

Intentional: Being LGBTQIA+-welcoming should always be an intentional act. An Affirming ministry is deliberate in their process of study, education and dialogue with members of their faith community (both during the Affirming process and as a piece of their ongoing work). They ensure that the history of oppression and discrimination by the Church is both understood and acknowledged, and that continued growth, education, and celebration are part of its ministry.

Explicit: Name us! There is a power in a name, especially when LGBTQIA+ names have for centuries been used as insults, and Two Spirit identities have



been violently oppressed and suppressed by Christianity and colonization. An Affirming ministry needs to be loud and proud about whom it welcomes.

Information provided by <https://pieday.ca/materials>

Susan Krecsy from the Food Bank and Community Village will be speaking on **March 15th at 1:30pm** in the Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome. Come find out just what the Community Village does.

Coffee/teas and cookies will be served at the end.

Hello everyone, just a short update on the upcoming St. Patrick's Day Even on Saturday, March 18, 2023:

The final Sunday to buy your ticket(s) is this coming Sunday at Church (March 12), however you will still be able to visit the church office for a couple of days afterwards to purchase your ticket.

Come on folks, let us make those "Irish Eyes Smile" (even if they are not all Irish eyes) and ensure we have a sell-out for the event, only a few tickets left. Please remember, this event is to help the Church.

Thank you.
St. Patrick Day Committee

St. Patrick's Dinner Tickets are selling out quickly. Hurry and get yours while you still can!!
100 tickets have been sold!!

Notice of Special Congregational Meeting at SAUC:

Sunday March 26, 2023 at 11:45 a.m. to approve the Community of Faith Profile; This is the first step of the Search and Selection process.

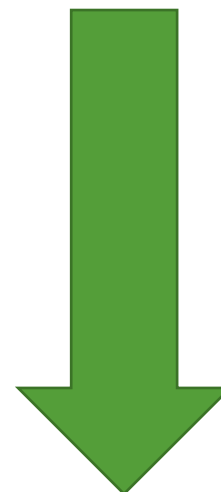
All are welcome.

To contact the Sunday School:

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SEEPETZA

This year my group learned how to do the Fairy Reel, an Irish dance with fancy footwork. We do square, line and star patterns. We have to keep straight backs and lift our legs high to do it well. And smile, of course. We wear green kilts with big silver pins, white satin shirts, black sequined boleros, black dance slippers and green hats. Some dress up like boys, but we all wear make-up, like rouge for our cheeks, eyebrow pencil, mascara, blue eye shadow and bright red lipstick. We sing a lot of Irish songs in the concert.

Source: "Taking Back Our Spirits"

by Jo-Ann Episkenew

Living Into Right Relations (LIRR)