

**WEEK AT A GLANCE: March 5 – March 11, 2023**

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Service</b> – Rev. Mervin Gallant<br><b>Scripture Reading:</b><br>Genesis 12: 1-4a<br>John 3: 1-17 | 10:00 a.m.                                       |
| <b>Monday</b>    | Book Club<br>Restorative Yoga<br>Genesis<br>U.I.B.  | 1:00 p.m.<br>2:00 p.m.<br>6:00 p.m.<br>7:00 p.m. |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | Games   | 1:00 p.m.  |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | Bible Study<br>Choir  | Noon<br>7:00 p.m.                                |

**WEEK AT A GLANCE: March 12 – March 18, 2023**

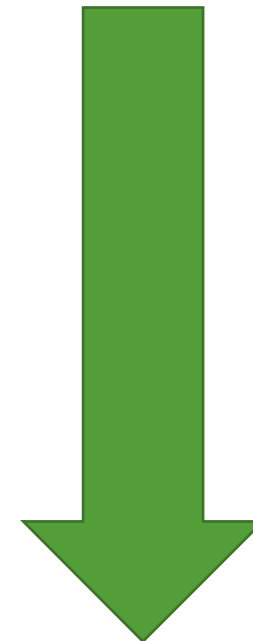
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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Service</b> – Rev. Deborah Hoekstra<br><b>Scripture Reading:</b><br>Exodus 17: 1-7<br>John 4: 5-42 | 10:00 a.m.                           |
| <b>Monday</b>    | Genesis<br>Outreach<br>U.I.B.   | 6:00 p.m.<br>7:00 p.m.<br>7:00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



**SUNDAY SERVICE PARTICIPANTS – March 5, 2023**

**Service:** Rev. Mervin Gallant  
**Service Assistants:** Laureen Wright  
**Music Ministry:** Donna Graham, Holly Parker and Genesis Ringers and SAUC Choir Members  
**A.V. Technicians:** Wade Hayden, Lionel Larcombe, Ken Hutchinson, Troy Sartison and Luke Sartison

**Grapevine: March 5, 2023**



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**You are invited to the  
St Albert International Women's Day Celebration  
Embrace Equity**

Sponsored by  
St Albert Interfaith Connections

**March 11, 2023  
7:30-9:00pm**

St Albert Community Center  
17 Perron Street, St. Albert

**RSVP by March 4, 2023 to  
[SaintAlbertInterfaith@gmail.com](mailto:SaintAlbertInterfaith@gmail.com)**

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A THANK YOU is extended to Irene Sauve a member of the Outreach Group, for her weekly inserts in Grapevine during Black History month.



## SEEPETZA

The nuns and priests force the children to practice Catholicism and turn their backs on their traditional spiritual practices. They also compel selected students to participate in Irish folk dances in competition across the province. This is a seemingly benign activity that they force upon the children in a merciless fashion.

Source: "Taking Back Our Spirits" by Jo-Ann Episkenew

## Living Into Right Relations (LIRR)

**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.



## 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>