

# Third Ave News

From the Pews . . . and beyond  
December 21, 2014



The Mission of Third Avenue United Church is to reach out with love and provide a welcoming place, especially for downtown people. We offer strength, courage, and support in a safe nurturing environment.

We welcome everyone to worship this morning. If you are a guest or a newcomer, please sign one of our guest books at either of the back entrances. If you would like information on the church activities, contact us at:  
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## To Make Your Experience Here Even Better



If you use a cane or walker, please use our elevator entrance on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave.



There are head sets at the back of the Sanctuary for those who need assistance hearing the service.



Please remember to shut off your cell phone during the service.



There are visitor offering envelopes folded in the pews if you wish to make an offering to our ministry.

## A Time for Community

Please join us for coffee in the Narthex before service or downstairs after the service for lunch.

If you are able bring baking or goodies for snack to allow us to continue this time of fellowship on the week corresponding to the start of your last name. Please feel free to bring extra items that could be frozen for use when donations are slim.

This Week: Last names starting with M – Z.

Next Week: Last names starting with A – L.



Please try to come early to set up if you are able We can also use help with clean up and dishes. Thank you.

## Readings for December 28

Isaiah 61:10—62:3

God clothes me with salvation and righteousness.

Psalms 148 (VU p. 871)

Let all creation praise God.

Galatians 4:4–7

No longer a slave but a child of God and an heir.

Luke 2:22–40

Jesus is presented in the temple.

## Readings for January 4

Jeremiah 31:7–14

The grieving people will be gathered in joy.

Psalms 147:12–20 (VU pp. 868–869)

God blesses Jerusalem with peace and abundance.

Ephesians 1:3–14

Adopted, forgiven, and blessed with abundance.

John 1: (1–9), 10–18

The Word was in the world, but the world did not know him.

## Upcoming Services

Christmas Eve – Dec 24

December 28

January 4



Family  
Candlelight  
Service  
7:00 p.m.

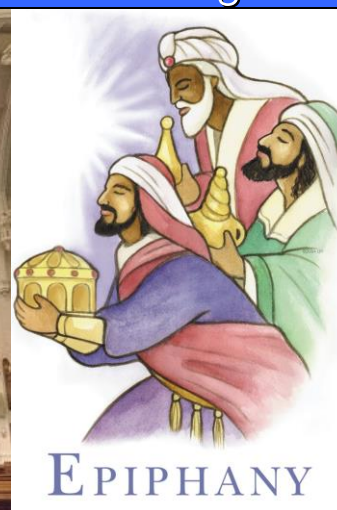


*Candlelight  
Service  
7:00 p.m.  
With Guest  
Trumpeter  
Barrie  
Redford*

Rosanna Parry Photography



**Service will  
be held at  
Knox United  
Church  
Corner of  
Spadina & 24<sup>th</sup>  
St  
Third Avenue  
Will be closed**







**EPIPHANY**


## This Week at 3rd Avenue – December 21 – January 5

Items in Black are Third Avenue United Church (TAUC) events.



Items in Grey with a \* are Third Ave Christian Centre (TACC) rentals.


This Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Church Office Closed 10:30a.m. Advent 4 Lessons and Carols 12:00p.m. Free Lunch After Lunch: Last Advent Study	Church Office Closed 5:00p.m. UCW Supper 7:00p.m. Knit and Crochet 7:30p.m. Community Fund Mtg.	*5:30p.m. Russian Preschool	 *11:30a.m. WW 7:00p.m. Family Service 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Service
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	December 28
 Church Office Closed *3:00p.m. Lower Hall Rental	 Church Office Closed	Church Office Closed 8:30a.m. Ladies Breakfast	Church Office Closed <b>10:30a.m.</b> <b>Service at Knox</b>
December 29	December 30	December 31	January 1
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January 2	January 3	January 4	January 5
Church Office 9-4	Church Office Closed	Church Office Closed Gifts for Baby Jesus 10:30a.m. Epiphany Service	Church Office Closed 7:00p.m. Knit and Crochet Group

### Church Information

Last Advent Study	Givings – Dec. 14, 2014	Church Duty Roster												
The last Advent study will held this Sunday, December 21 right after the lunch in the boardroom.  	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">General (Local)</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">\$ 1434.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Mission &amp; Service</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">\$ 32.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Special Services</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">\$ 100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Loose</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">\$ 59.25</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Coffee</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">\$ 18.10</td> </tr> <tr style="border-top: 1px solid black;"> <td style="padding: 2px;"><b>Total Offering</b></td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;"><b>\$ 1643.35</b></td> </tr> </table>	General (Local)	\$ 1434.00	Mission & Service	\$ 32.00	Special Services	\$ 100.00	Loose	\$ 59.25	Coffee	\$ 18.10	<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>\$ 1643.35</b>	Today: John Parry  Sunday: Philip Bray  are responsible for opening and closing of the church
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### Giving at Christmas

Gifts for Baby Jesus	Mitten Tree
On Sunday, <u>January 4</u> we will have gifts for baby Jesus. All donations can be left under the large Christmas tree at the front of the sanctuary. The church school will open them after service and they will be delivered to the Saskatoon Crisis Nursery.    <i>Wish List: New socks and Underwear ages 0-12, clothing size 2-6, winter cloths, Garbage bags, band-aids, Children's Tylenol, Advil, Hair detangler, Grocery gift cards and stamps.</i>	The Mitten tree is a Christmas tree decorated in items that can be given to Egadz and to the homeless that come to our door looking for assistance.   Please add mittens, toques, scarves, warm socks and toiletries. They can be homemade or store bought.
Pay It Forward	
A reminder to check the Random Acts of Kindness list by the kitchen and sign up. We want to encourage doing nice things for others as well as supporting our amazing Senior Church School Class. Big Thank you to Molly Moors for presenting this at our contemporary service.	

Year End Givings	
Those who wish to increase their givings for 2014, please make sure they are dropped off at the church or post-dated no later than December 31, 2014. We thank everyone who has given this year.	 Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Staff of Third Avenue United Church and the Unified Board.

