Friday Greetings!

Reverend Kristy Reimers-Loader will be leading worship this Sunday, February 4th.

This Sunday's volunteers are:

Elder in Charge: Melanie Rattai Scripture Reader: Margaret Laing Sound Operator: Pat Evans Greeter: Linda Kisell Coffee Hosts: Dawn Knowles & Betty Sidlick PowerPoint Operator: Kathy Nielsen Minutes for Mission: Maureen Oster

Chaplain George Koopmans will be leading the Sunday Worship Service on February 11th.

The volunteers for February 11th are:

Elder in Charge: Ann-Marie Hancock Scripture Reader: Marilyn Taylor Sound Operator: Pat Evans Greeter: Betty Sidlick Coffee Hosts: Linda Kisell & Judy Cruickshank PowerPoint Operator: Kathy Nielsen Minutes for Mission: Sharon Clay

The church will be closed from February 6th – February 10th. Regular office hours will resume on February 12th. Regular scheduled activities will reconvene the week of the 12th (Tuesday Prayer Shawl Ministry, Thursday Coffee Time & Line Dancing Group).

Chris White and the Westminster Church Choir will be performing the Easter Cantata, "Love Divine" by Joel Rainey. The Cantata will be performed during the March 24th Palm Sunday Service as well as on Monday, March 25th at 7pm. St John's Presbyterian Church will be hosting this year's World Day of Prayer Friday, March 1st at 7pm. Stories written by the women of Palestine will be shared. For further information on this event please call the St. John's office (403) 526-

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or email: office@stjohnsmedicinehat.ca

Bev Beresh is looking for readers to volunteer for this event. I f you are interested, please contact her at (403) 527-5047.

St. John's Music director Helen Snortland has invited interested members of the WUC Choir or Congregation to join a combined church choir to sing for this event. Hymns will be emailed in advance and will be familiar to participants. If you wish to participate, please contact Helen at (403) 526 0891 or email: helen.snortland@gmail.com

A message from the Mustard Seed:

Hello church family,

We hope you are all enjoying the warm weather we're having!

We would like to invite you **to join The Mustard Seed on Saturday, February 24**th **for Coldest Night of the Year 2024** as an opportunity to continue support our community. We would love to have you, your family, friends and colleagues walk alongside The Mustard Seed at this incredibly important event.

Event Overview: Coldest Night of the Year is a fun, family-friendly walk-a-thon event that runs across 166 communities in Canada, bringing national exposure to host charities as well as their supporters. CNOY exists specifically to raise awareness for those living in homelessness by bringing communities together to walk outside in the winter and take part in a warm simple meal, allowing them to experience a small dose of how a homeless person would spend a cold, winter evening. This year, Mustard Seed is running (or walking) this event in Edmonton, Red Deer, Medicine Hat, Kamloops and Calgary.

You can create a team to represent your office or encourage staff to form teams of their own. Groups can compete to see who raises the most, or you can all fundraise together. This walk is one of the most fun ways you can make a positive impact in your community!

Ways to get involved:

- <u>Start a team or join as an individual walker</u>
- <u>Volunteer</u> we need about 40 volunteers for event day
- Meet us on February 24th for a walk and a meal together!

Date: Saturday, February 24th

Time: 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Location: Mustard Seed Community Impact Centre 503A Allowance Ave SE

Follow us on social to see how we're preparing for #CNOY2024 and to see how your team can win prizes!

We're gathering our friends, putting on our toques, and walking for those in need.

Please feel free to reach out to us at the Community Impact Centre, 403.504.0342, or you can reach me directly via email or phone.

We look forward to seeing you at this exciting event!

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