

McCLURE

UNITED CHURCH

Welcome to McClure United Church! We hope you find McClure a welcoming and friendly place in which to worship God, grow in faith, and make new friends.

This informational brochure will give you some idea of the life of McClure United Church and hopefully answer some of the questions you might have. The Church staff is always available to answer any questions or concerns you may have, either at the office or at your home. We look forward to your participation in our church community.

SUNDAY SERVICES

9:15 a.m. Morning Worship
Nursery Available
Rainbow Village
▶ 3 years to Grade 6

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
Nursery Available
Rainbow Village
▶ 3 years to Grade 6
▶ Junior Youth Grades 7 & 8
▶ Senior Youth Grades 9 to 12

Summer Schedule: One service only at 10:00 a.m. from the Sunday of the May Victoria Day long weekend to the Sunday of the September Labour Day long weekend.

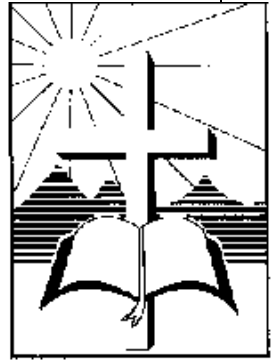
Infra-red Hearing Devices Available
Large Print Bulletins Available
Wheel Chair Available
(11:00 a.m.) Van Service with wheelchair lift to and from worship

**** Please note we endeavour to be a Fragrance-free and Nut-free Church to help alleviate allergies****

CONTACT INFORMATION

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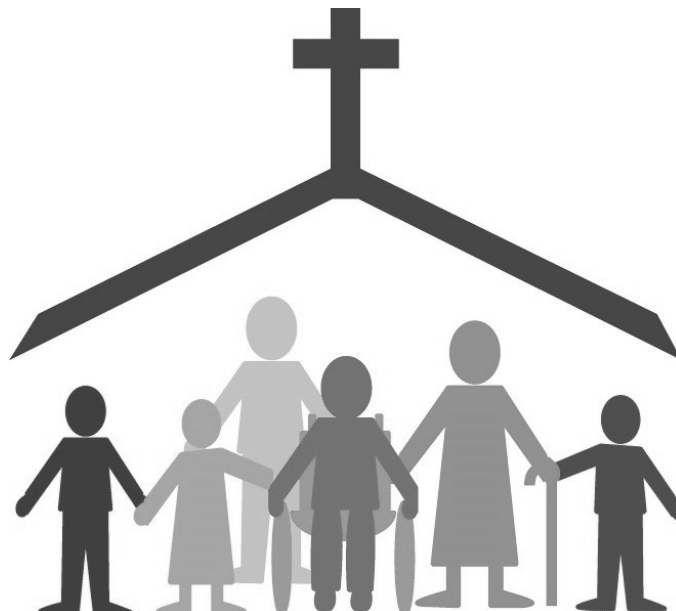
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SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

As well as regular Sunday worship services, McClure holds other special services throughout the year. These would include Christmas Eve services, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday & Good Friday services, Easter Prayer Vigil, a Healing Service.

Special
Services



CHAPEL:

McClure has a small chapel available for those who wish to come and spend some time in prayer and meditation.

ROBERT J. McLELLAN MEMORIAL LIBRARY:

We are fortunate to have a good library with many books for both adults and children to borrow. There are helpful resources here for bible study, grief, addictions, family relationships, etc.



Faith exploration classes are offered every year from January through April to youth and adults of all ages in preparation for making a commitment of faith.

DISCUSSION GROUPS:

Discussion groups and grief support sessions are available at different times of the year.

SERVICE ON CD:

The Sunday Worship service is recorded on CD each week and is available upon request. Requests for copies can be made in the church office shortly after the end of the 11:00 service.

SERMONS:

A typed or e-mailed copy is available for anyone who wishes one. It can be requested at the church office.

DEVOTIONAL MATERIALS:

The Upper Room and These Days daily devotional publications are all available for purchase. They can be found in the literature rack outside the photocopy room in the main lobby. These are also available in large print.

The
Word
of God

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES:

We are fortunate to have an active and vibrant children's ministry (Rainbow Village) at McClure with activities for all ages.

NURSERY:

For children under 3, there is a Nursery available where parents may choose to take their children. It is equipped with toys, change table, etc. and has a speaker so that the church service can be heard. It is located just to the right as you exit the sanctuary, opposite the washrooms.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:

Rainbow Village at the 9:15 service for ages 3 through to Grade 6.
Rainbow Village at the 11:00 service for ages 3 through to Grade 6
as well as Junior and Senior Youth.

JUNIOR YOUTH:

Is for young people in Grades 7 & 8 and happens at the 11:00 service. It has many activities as well as its regular meeting time during church.



FAMILY FUN NIGHTS:

These happen throughout the year at McClure and are a chance for families of all shapes and sizes and ages to join in a time of fun and fellowship. Watch your bulletin and newsletter for details.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

Happens for a week each summer.



SENIOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES

SENIOR YOUTH:

Youth in Grades 9 to 12 meet Sunday mornings during the 11:00 service in the Senior Youth Lounge upstairs. (Wheelchair accessible – elevator available). All kinds of activities and learning opportunities happen through the year as well as camping weekends, retreats, trips, volunteer activities, etc. For more information please contact Laura.



CALLING ALL YOUTH!

YOUNG ADULT (18+) GROUP:

This group meets a few evenings a month for various activities, and to give young adults a chance to meet new people, share and explore their faith and issues in today's world, as well as have some fun. It is not another 'obligation', so no sign up or registration! Just a chance to take some time from the busyness of life. For information, please contact the church office.

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN ECUMENICAL CHAPLAINCY:

Lots of activities for those attending the U of S. For information call David Kim-Cragg at 966-8500 or check out www.usask.ca/uscm/whoweare/

MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES AT McCLURE

- ♪ Senior Choir meets Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00. They sing regularly at the 11:00 service each Sunday and at the 9:15 service once a month.
- ♪ McClure Place Choristers – residents of McClure Place sing once a month during the church service. They practice on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
- ♪ Do you play an instrument or sing? If you are interested in helping out with Special Music, please call Shirley Blackburn at 374-9751.
- ♪ *Sacred Sounds* Worship Band. Practice night is Thursdays at 7:00pm. Please call Tamara at 374-0387 for information.



ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS

There are lots of opportunities to get involved at McClure besides those ones already mentioned.

- Visiting People Program visits congregational members who need a home visit.
- Wednesday's Women – meets Wednesday mornings at 9:30 am. for relaxation, conversation, friendship and fun.
- Men's Breakfast is held the first Sunday of each month at 8:00 a.m. in the church dining room. Breakfast and fellowship.
- Men's Gathering – meets one Saturday morning a month from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. for a light breakfast and conversation and Christian community.
- Women's Gathering – meets the same Saturday morning as the men. 8:00-9:30 a.m. for a light breakfast and conversation.
- Fit After Fifty – meets Monday and Thursday from 4:00-5:00 pm Sept-May



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

McClure has lots of areas within the church and community for folk to put their faith into action. Please call the church office if you are interested in giving some time to any of the following and we will put you in touch with the right person!

- ◆ Visiting People Program
- ◆ Amy McClure House - assisting at breakfast and walking to Sunday worship
- ◆ Sunday Morning Coffee hosting
- ◆ School Volunteer Program (at Caswell Hill Community School)
- ◆ Hospitality Group to provide funeral/memorial receptions at the church. Help with set-up, serving or clean-up.
- ◆ Knitting Prayer Shawls for the Prayer Shawl Ministry of McClure
- ◆ Refugee Assistance Group
- ◆ Oliver Lodge
- ◆ Lighthouse Supper Serving (once a month)
- ◆ Special Events: Socks for the Homeless, Egadz...
- ◆ Bulletin Folding and Newsletter Stuffing Crew
- ◆ Meals on Wheels
- ◆ Ushers and Greeters
- ◆ ICM Chop 'n Chat



HOW ELSE CAN I HELP?

- ▶ **WEAR YOUR NAMETAG:** Wearing a nametag helps everyone. They can be ordered at the church office and come in 3 types: pin, magnetic, and pocket.
- ▶ **USED STAMPS:** for the Canadian Bible Society. Please trim the stamps. There is a box on top of the literature rack in the main lobby to put them in.
- ▶ **USED EYEGLASSES:** are collected and restored for use in vision programs in other countries.
- ▶ **USED MAGAZINES:** are collected on the first Sunday of each month (Oct-June) for literacy programs here in Saskatoon.
- ▶ **FOOD BANK:** there is a barrel by the library for donations of food for the Saskatoon Food Bank.
- ▶ **FRIENDSHIP INN:** there is a container by the library for donations of pasta for Friendship Inn.

STEWARDSHIP



McClure United Church is faithful in the support of projects within the congregation and in the local and global community. Members of the church family are given the opportunity of financially supporting the operating budget of the church, the Mission and Service Fund of the United Church of Canada, and the Capital Building fund. There is also a Memorial Fund for donations made in memory of a loved one.

Contributions can be made in several ways:

- PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance – your contribution is deducted automatically from your bank account each month)
- Post-dated cheques
- Contribution envelopes
- Online at: www.mcclureunitedchurch.org

In addition, there are three special appeals for Mission and Service at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter.

The generous and consistent financial contribution of our church family allows us to continue the work and witness of McClure United Church through our stewardship program each year.

PAR forms and contribution envelopes are available at the church office.

Volunteering:

- ◆ It's a way of giving and receiving God's gifts.
- ◆ A "Time and Talent" survey is available year round and can be found on the desk in the foyer. This provides a wonderful opportunity to share special interests and talents with others.

Committees of McClure United Church

CONGREGATIONAL CARE COMMITTEE

- ◆ Works to encourage a strong sense of community within McClure and coordinates and enriches our pastoral care ministry.

FAITH DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- ◆ Provides opportunities for spiritual, educational, and personal development for people of all ages.
- ◆ Maintains the Robert J. McLellan Memorial Library

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

- ◆ Offers a caring hand to our church family, our community, our country, and our global neighbours.

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

- ◆ Provides a two-way liaison support group for the ministerial staff and the congregation

PRESBYTERY COMMITTEE

- ◆ Lay representatives attend Presbytery meetings on our behalf.

SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE

- ◆ Acquires and maintains church equipment and facilities.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

- ◆ Stewardship is the sharing of God's gifts with others in a thoughtful and caring way. To this end, the committee coordinates the time, talents and financial resources of the congregation.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

- ◆ Works in co-operation with the ministerial staff and music personnel to make all services meaningful and worshipful.

LEGACY GIVING COMMITTEE

- ◆ Keeps the congregation informed about the opportunities for making legacy gifts such as through wills and bequests and what ministries and mission activities such gifts have already enabled.

AFFIRMING COMMITTEE

- ◆ Being an affirming ministry means that we are welcoming to all people regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, age, race, and economic status.

OTHER LIAISONS:

McCLURE PLACE & AMY McCLURE HOUSE

- ◆ A three-way liaison between McClure United Church, McClure Place, and Amy McClure House.

JOINT ECUMENICAL COMMITTEE

- ◆ Working together with our covenant partner, Holy Spirit Roman Catholic Parish, offering both congregations opportunities to share in worship, study, outreach, fellowship and fun