

Our Lady of the Lake Chapel



Constructed in 1969, designed by renowned Saskatchewan architect Clifford Wiens to blend into the prairie landscape, the church winner of a Massey Medal of Architecture is near impossible to see when the surrounding trees are in full leaf. Descending a stone path, churchgoers are gradually exposed to the shingled layers of its defining pyramid-shaped roof before entering a simple and serene shelter framed by huge supporting crossbeams. Here, rows of sturdy wooden benches surround a large boulder used as an altar, while a cast-concrete cylinder at the edge of the site, resembling a baptismal font, was designed by Wiens to catch rainwater from the roof and channel it downhill away from the chapel.

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