Notices October 25th, 2026 - Pentecost 22

Readings for this Sunday: 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8; Matthew 22: 34-46
Readings for next Sunday: Revelation 7:9-17; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

Sunday Services: 8am and 10.30am

Clergy and Staff days of work:

John Wilcox - Sunday to Thursday
Adam Bedford - Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday
Laurel Hatch - Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday
Cynthia - Monday to Friday

Weekly Events at Christ Church

Wednesdays 11am - **Lectio Divina & Holy Eucharist** in the Chapel
Wednesdays 5pm - **Meditation** in the Sitting Room
Wednesdays 1pm - **Seniors Bridge** - All are welcome
Thursdays 10.30am - **Bible Study** - Crump Room

BUILDING PRESERVATION CAMPAIGN

Our Property / Building Preservation Campaign is progressing very well.
The Campaign's objective is to ensure we have available funds to support future building capital maintenance and projects.

The fund raising campaign is thanks to a generous parishioner who is willing to match up to $100,000 in contributions before year end. Please consider contributing funds to help turn the $100,000 into $200,000++.

Contributions should be marked “Property Preservation Fund”

Donations may be made through:
*cheque
*e-transfer to:
treasurer@christchurchcalgary.org

Pushpay

If you would like to donate using the Christ Church Securities Deposit Form please click the link **Securities Deposit Form**

Thank you

Special Coffee Hour

"Please join us this Sunday, October 25th after the 10:30 service for a special Coffee Hour! As John finishes his time with us, we'll have an opportunity to thank him for his ministry, and to wish him well as he begins an interim role at St. Stephen's. Also, cake will be served!"

Treasurer News

Tara Weiss has decided to resign from her role as Christ Church Treasurer effective year end. On behalf of Christ Church, we thank Tara for her contributions to the effectiveness of our financial management strategy, processes and communications.

This means we need a volunteer(s) to take on the position. The role does not require a CPA designation, however it does require a solid

understanding of financial concepts and someone who can make informed decisions regarding finances. This includes knowledge of budgeting, saving, investing and understanding financial documents like financial statements and tax returns. We also feel arrangements could be made to make it a shared role.

If you have an interest in participating in a Church financial leadership role please let us know.
To express your interest, or questions, please contact any of the Wardens (Tim Grant, Irene Pfeiffer, Russel Barnes or Carol Madsen) or Tara.

A Friendly Reminder on Email Safety

Over the course of the past week numerous members of our congregation have had their emails compromised or received unusual request emails from family or friends. Please keep a keen eye out and delete these unusual emails. It might be a good time to consider changing your various passwords.

Family Sunday and Baptisms

Join us at the **10:30 service** on **Sunday, October 25** as we celebrate Family Sunday and Baptisms. Through the liturgies of Holy Baptism and the Eucharist, we will affirm that, in God's eyes, our church community—across all ages and backgrounds—is one family. We look forward to seeing you on October 25.

All Souls Requiem | November 1, 4:30 pm

We invite you to share the names of deceased loved ones to be prayerfully read out in commemoration at our All Souls service. Names can be written on the lists in the Narthex or emailed to the office - office@christchurchcalgary.org

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Evening Bible Study

Starting Nov. 5th, Rev. Deacon Daylon will begin a second Bible study for those who cannot attend the main one that happens in the mornings. This Bible study will not be a replacement of the original one and will not be connected in theme or topic. This group will meet every other week on Thursday nights @ 6:30 pm. To begin we

will meet at Christ Church in the Crump room and we will be reading through Paul's letter to the Philippians, later studies will be open to suggestion. The goal of these studies is to draw closer to God and to each other through community, study, and listening both to each other and the Holy Spirit. Any and all are welcome to attend. No sign up or registration is required, but please email Daylon at dtilitzky@my.ambrose.edu so we can have an idea of numbers. You can also talk to him at church on Sunday, where it will be announced during the service.
Hope to see you there!

Cursillo 3-Day Weekends

Cursillo 3-Day Weekends (pronounced Cur-see-yo) is a long-standing movement of the Church that promotes Christian ideals, fellowship, and spiritual growth in daily living.
It provides an opportunity to deepen your faith, and to experience the love of God within a supportive and prayerful community. Over the 3-Day weekend, there are talks, testimonials, opportunity for discussion, praise music, good food and fellowship!
The Diocese of Calgary Anglican Cursillo Movement is hosting two Fall 2026 upcoming weekends at the Entheos Retreat Centre. For Men (29 October - 1 November) and for Women (5 - 8 November).
For more information, please contact Alicia Hampshire personally, or by cell 403-829-8874, or by email aliciahampshire@hotmail.com.



Christ Church Family Ministries Updates!

Upcoming Plan to Protect Classes

For those of you interested in attending an upcoming Plan to Protect class, we have several dates available. For those who have previously certified with me, I will remind you by email when your expiry date is coming up.

New Learners/Expired Certifications: A November session will be planned in a few weeks.

Renewal: Sunday, October 25th at 12pm after the 1030am service. This class runs for roughly one hour.

Plan to Protect is the Gold Standard for abuse prevention and creating a safe environment for the vulnerable and our volunteers. Members of Family Ministry, Wardens, Pastoral Care, Outreach and Greeters have been attending so far. Everyone is welcome. There is no cost for this class.

Family Sunday – October 25th

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 25th! We will be celebrating Family Sunday! Kiddos and Youth will remain in the service on this day and will be assisting with readings and so much more!

First Communion Classes

There has been some interest in hosting First Communion classes for some of our children and youth. While all baptized persons are welcome to receive communion, we want to make sure that our families have a chance to ask questions and understand the important of communion. Once the dates are confirmed, we will publish them here.

Wish List

We have revived our Wish List! Please have a look and let me know if you have any questions. We use the Wishlist for to secure larger items for our programming. People can donate the items of purchase as a gift in kind.

Interested in Volunteering with Our Youth and Children?

We need more hands to help us keep up with our incredible growth! We need people to help with greeting children, holding babies, crafts, games and so much more. You don't have to lead the lesson if you are not comfortable and everything is provided for you. We would love to have you. Please speak to Laurel if you are interested!

Family Ministries Instagram

Just a friendly reminder that I have created an Instagram account to document our adventures in Family Ministries! Please follow us @christchurchfamilyministries

Warmly,

Laurel Hatch
Director of Family Ministries

Weekly Newsletter - Special Missional Committee Report 2026 **Please click here**

October at a Glance at Christ Church

23 Oct Youth Group 7pm

25 Oct Pentecost 22 – Family Sunday with Baptisms
Plan to Protect (Recertification) 12 – 1pm

Combined Evensong at Christ Church with the Cathedral Church of the Redeemer 4:30pm

29 Oct Preschool Halloween Costume Parade (AM & PM Classes)

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Alongside Hope News | From Jocelyn Peeling

I recently received the October issue of Connect, Alongside Hope's newsletter, which highlights the organization's work. It introduces inspiring people around the world who are working to improve life for others. To stay informed about people affected by disasters such as floods, famines, and wars—and how the Anglican Church of Canada is responding through Alongside Hope—visit alongsidehope.org. Open the menu, scroll to "Subscribe to Our Newsletter," and sign up to receive it by email.

On the Alongside Hope home page at alongsidehope.org, you will find "Welcome to the World of Gifts," which has launched its Christmas campaign. It now offers 50 ways to give, ranging from a $42 goat in Zimbabwe or an $18 new-mama kit in Lesotho to a $2,000 barn. You can donate directly through the site.

Alongside Hope works collaboratively, building and supporting relationships so that gifts meet recipients' needs. By partnering with people on the ground in countries around the world and respecting one another's abilities, both sides benefit.

In the coming months, I will write more about Alongside Hope and World of Gifts. I hope you will consider supporting their work, and I invite you to send me questions that I can answer here.

Jocelyn Peeling
Parish Representative for Alongside Hope

Scan to make your offering - Thank you for your support!!!

If you wish to contribute by e-transfer, please send to treasurer@christchurchcalgary.org

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October 25th, 2026 Flower Memorials

The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Ralph and Cathie Thrall from Chris and Lise Thrall

The flowers at the Chapel are given to the glory of God and in Thanksgiving for the lives of my daughter's wonderful grandparents, John and Ethel McDonald, by Sandra, Meredith and Alison McDonald

The flowers at the font are given to the glory of God in Thanksgiving for the life and friendship of my friend Dave, a proud survivor of the streets of Calgary. Lovingly placed by his friend always, Rhianne

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The Power of Prayer

Forward Day by Day

Prayer books for August - October are available in the Narthex
Additional prayer resources can be found on Forward Movement's website: https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/fdd

Prayer Shawls - "Tangible Evidence of Prayer" (ref: "The Prayer Shawl Ministry")

Each of our shawls , handmade by the members of this ministry includes the prayers of the shawl maker as it is made, receives a special blessing, then is available to be given to offer peace, and comfort to someone in need. Shawls are always available here. Please contact Cynthia at the office: 403-243-4680, or Barbara Robinson: barbcrobinson@gmail.com if you know of someone for whom a shawl would be helpful.

The Parish Prayer Chain

Have a friend who needs someone to pray for them? Our prayer chain does this daily, and welcomes requests for confidential prayer. Contact Alicia Hampshire, Adam Bedford.

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Anyone can be added to our email list... they just need to ask!
Know a friend who'd appreciate getting these emails?
Just forward this to them, and...
They can click here to be added to our mailing list!

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