



Notices March 3rd, 2024 - Lent 3

Readings for this Sunday: Exodus 20:1-17; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22
Next Sunday's Readings: Numbers 21:4-9; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21

Sunday Services: 8am and 10.30am

**Reconciliation of a Penitent (Sacramental Confession)
Tuesdays in Lent from 5-6pm
A priest will be available in the chapel to offer the
sacrament of reconciliation.**

Weekly Events at Christ Church

Wednesdays 11am - Lectio Divina & Holy Eucharist in the Chapel
Wednesdays 5pm - Meditation in the Sitting Room
Thursdays 10.30am - Bible Study in the Crump Room

Christ Church Cafe - 9am Sunday, March 17

Transgender 101 - Unpacking the language and understanding the experience of transgender people so we can meaningfully respond from our faith tradition to the recent political activity around transgender care.

Speaker: Prof. Jill Thompson, MRU - Social Work, specializing in gender and sexuality, especially in the LGBTQ+ community.

Lenten Study

Tuesdays at 6:30pm - March 5, 12, 19
Join Rev. Brandon for an exploration of the spiritual life as we dig into the practices and beliefs that shape us to follow in the way of Christ.

Treasurer position

After many years of first rate service as our treasurer, Deborah Ambrose has informed us that she is retiring from the position effective at our September 2024 AGM. Deborah has done a tremendous job in both tracking and communicating our complex finances.

Now the search is on for Deborah's successor to take up the torch and continue the good work of tending to our finances so that the mission and ministry of Christ Church can continue to thrive.

A full job description is available, but here's a taste:

The overall role of the treasurer is to maintain an overview of the organization's financial affairs, ensuring its viability and advising the Corporation as necessary, and to ensure that proper financial records and procedures are maintained.

Qualities and Skills Preferred

- **Experience of financial control and budgeting and small charity management.**
- **Good communication and interpersonal skills.**
- **A willingness to be contacted on an ad hoc basis.**

Time Commitment: The role of the Treasurer requires an estimated commitment of 10 hours per month, in addition to the time to prepare the various returns and the Annual Financial Statements (40 hours per year)

If you think you are the right person and feel God nudging you to serve in this very valuable role, please contact Rev. Brandon. If you know someone who you think is the right person for this, give them a nudge.

Please save the date

On Saturday March 23rd at 10am, the congregation is invited to make Palm crosses in the Crump Room. This is an intergenerational activity. For many years the Altar Guild has made 300 crosses for the community to receive on Palm Sunday. Many of us keep our crosses in a visible location for the year. We are one of a very small group of churches that continues to create crosses by hand every year. It is a fun activity that anybody can do. Please join us so we can continue this lovely tradition. Instructions will be provided.

Easter flowers

Once again the Altar Guild is selling hydrangeas, lilies and spring flowers to decorate the church for Easter. The cost is \$25 and goes to help pay for all decorations between Palm Sunday and all of Holy Week. If you would like to purchase flowers in memory of a loved one, in Thanksgiving or to the Glory of God, please contact Cynthia at the office. As always a list of tributes will be in the Easter notices.

Messy Church OPEN HOUSE on Saturday

Children and adults are invited to come do crafts and hear about the simplicity and mortality of Lent, an important season in the church's life. Adults will also be asked: "What would make Messy Church a place you would invite your friends to?" Join us Saturday March 2, 4:00-6:30pm.

Outreach Update

Springtime Care and Wear

The Outreach at Christ Church is launching a Lenten initiative to help out the students at Glenbrook Elementary School. This K-6 CBE school has a large population of students from all over the world who are at various stages of "fitting in" to life in a SW Calgary school. We have provided gift cards, clothing and shoes for them in the past and this year the need is greatest for:

Grocery/gas gift cards at Safeway and Co-Op
Indoor running shoes
Jogging/stretchy pants
Spring Jackets.

Please follow this link [**Click**](#) to sign up and see size details or the table in the loggia.



Mission Bridge Rehabilitation

Please follow the link below to view the scope of work being done. Currently the road from 4th street entering 26th Avenue is blocked off and traffic diverted to 25th Avenue

[Mission Bridge Rehabilitation](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044AAF85-47795862-CHRIST)



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March 3rd, 2024 Flower Memorials

The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of my late husband Jim Crawford, by his wife Rosemary

The flowers at the Chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Maurice Pochailo by his wife, Erika and family

The flowers at the Font are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Reg Tanner,

the gift of the family

The Power of Prayer

Forward Day by Day

Prayer books for February/March/April are available at the office. Additional prayer resources can be found on Forward Movement's website: https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/forward_day_by_day.php?d=29&m=4&y=2020

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 Lois Lepp, Alicia Hampshire or Rev. Brandon.

Praying with PWRDF

On the second Thursday of each month praying with PWRDF takes place over zoom at 11am (Calgary time). On the fourth Thursday of each month the PWRDF team in Toronto plans an educational webinar in the same time slot. Please contact Kim Umbach at kumbach@pwrdf.org for the zoom link to be included and for further details.

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: barberobinson@gmail.com if you know of someone for whom a shawl would be helpful.



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