

Notices February 2nd, 2025 - Candlemas

Readings for this Sunday: Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40 Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 6:1-13; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11

Sunday Services: 8am and 10.30am

Weekly Events at Christ Church

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

Feasting with the Saints | February 28, 7 pm

Join us in the Crump Room as we study the life of the contemporary saint, Josephine Bakhita. This fascinating Sudanese saint is one you won't want to miss. North and Central African food will be provided by the wonderful social enterprise EthniCity Catering, who offer cafe and kitchen work experience and training to immigrants as they build their lives in Calgary. Come along and support this important work, while learning about a fascinating and inspiring saint of the church.

Dear Members and Friends of Christ Church,

Greetings from Gary. I have served at this community from 1998-2005 as Assistant Organist under Margie Newman. Twenty years have passed, and it is my honour to serve as Music Director at Christ Church, meeting people old and new, once again.

Music Ministry is one of the integral parts in the church life at Christ Church. We are blessed with dedicated choir members throughout all these years who put the time and energy to come and serve in music, lifting up the services and blessing the community here.

The choir is now recruiting for potential new members. We rehearse on Thursday nights in the Choir Room, and sing and serve on Sunday morning services, monthly Evensong services and other special services.

Singing for the Lord is one of the best ways to serve and to engage in the life of Christ Church. May I humbly encourage those who enjoy music and love singing to step up to serve. Please kindly email <u>musicdir@christchurchcalgary.org</u> or call the church office at 403-243-4680 for further information.

My prayers are always with you. Let us all sing a new song and make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Warm Regards,

GARY TONG Music Director, Christ Church Calgary

ACORN Meeting February 16, 9:15am in the Sitting Room

"The ACORN practise starts with a prayer, every morning..."Gracious God, is there someone you wish me to connect with today, outside my church community?" Come and hear stories of the things God does through us, in response to this prayer.

This is a drop in session, all are welcome to share stories and learn."

Revive Spiritual Formation Program

Do you want to deepen your experience of prayer and grow closer to God?

Do you want to learn new ways to pray and read scripture?

Do you want to discern how God has uniquely gifted you and called you?

Do you want to meet regularly with a group of people seeking the same things?

The Revive Spiritual Formation Program might be for you.

The program runs in three six-week modules over the course of one year, the first module (Communicating with God) running on **Tuesday evenings this Lent** (March 11 - April 15), the second module (Engaging in Scripture) in the fall and

the third module (Called for Ministry) during Lent 2026.

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Pancake Supper

Reach out to Brandon to register or if you have any questions.

Introductory video here

SHROVE TUESDAY March 4th 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Join us for a family friendly pancake supper Entertainment provided by the Pancake Ramblers!

Registration is required: ccpancakesupper.eventbrite.ca

this is a free event, donations will benefit the music ministry at christ church

February Youth Group Events!

6:30pm - Friday, February 7 - Skating and Hot Chocolate @ Christ Church

6:30pm- Friday, February 21 - Bowling at Splitsville Glamorgan

Flowers

The following slot is available for flower purchase:

March 16 - Chapel





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

February 2nd, 2025 Flower Memorials

The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of James and Ruth Coop by the family

The flowers at the Chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my poppa, Geoff Bate from granddaughter Olivia

The Power of Prayer

Forward Day by Day

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

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 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 <u>kumbach@pwrdf.org</u> 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: <u>barbcrobinson@gmail.com</u> if you know of someone for whom a shawl would be helpful.

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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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